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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 193RD REGULAR BOARD MEETING, 3RD QUARTER BOR MEETING, C.Y. 2021 (95TH REGULAR MEETING UNDER R.A. NO. 8292) OF THE WESTERN MINDANAO STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS (WMSU-BOR) HELD AT THE CHE FUNCTION ROOM, COLLEGE OF HOME ECONOMICS, NORMAL ROAD, BALIWASAN, ZAMBOANGA CITY VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING ON OCTOBER 01, 2021, 10:00 A.M.

RESOLUTION NO. 160

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A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CREATION AND OPERATIONALIZATION OF THE WESTERN MINDANAO STATE UNIVERSITY (WMSU) LEGAL AID CLINIC

WHEREAS, Atty. Jules Christian D. Marcos, the Dean of the College of Law, presented to the Board of Regents the Proposed the Creation and Operationalization of the Western Mindanao State University (WMSU) Legal Aid Clinic, as attached in Annex "H" of the Agenda Folder as part and parcel of this resolution;

WHEREAS, as mandated by the Supreme Court of the Philippines in the amended Section 4 of Rule 138-A of the Rules of Court, "that every Law School shall operate a legal aid clinic that will serve as the primary venue for law students to gain the necessary skills and values through experiential learning in the context of Legal Education", hence, the Creation and Operationalization of the WMSU Legal Aid Clinic was proposed for the approval of the Board;

WHEREAS, in the pursuit of expanding the mandate, the Legal Aid Clinic of Western Mindanao State University is envisioned to serve as the backbone of the university's external legal services as the College of Law strives to fulfill its four-fold mission of Instruction, Research, Extension, and Production;

WHEREAS, the College of Law's overall Extension Program aims to empower individuals, grassroots communities, civil society organizations, and governmental organizations and service providers legally, with emphasis on the four-pronged approach, to wit:

- 1. Legal Education for Enhancing Local Governance (LEELG) which focuses on the Barangay system;
- 2. Public Legal Assistance (PLA);
- 3. Access to Justice Programs and Projects (AJPP); and
- 4. Public Interest Advocacy and Research (PIAR).