

WHEREAS, a stable and frequent direct flight schedule between Manila (NAIA) and San Jose is indispensable for the business sector, particularly for the transport of high-value agricultural and fishery products, and for facilitating the ease of doing business in the region;

WHEREAS, the re-establishment of daily Manila-San Jose flights will significantly reduce the "island isolation" factor, ensuring faster emergency medical transfers and more reliable government logistical support; Now, therefore, be it...

RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, To: Urgently request the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP) to re-establish direct Manila – San Jose (Occidental Mindoro) flight frequencies to bolster the tourism and business sectors of the Provinces of Occidental Mindoro and Oriental Mindoro,

ON MOTION of SB Member Ramon G. Magbanua duly seconded by SB Member Joejie Narciso, SB Member Guillermo G. Salas, Jr. and SB Member Roger M. Evangelio, Sr. foregoing was...

APPROVED: December 9, 2025 Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro.

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HON. LUMELITO M. CABAGAY
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Subject: Urgent Need to Advocate for Re-Establishing Manila–San Jose Flights to Support Tourism and Local Development

Honorable Mayor Lumel Glen
Municipal Tourism Office
Municipality of Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro

Dear Mayor Lumel Glen and Members of the Tourism Office,

I am writing to respectfully highlight the urgent need to engage with Cebu Pacific, Philippine Airlines, and AirAsia to re-establish regular flights from **Manila to San Jose**.

At present, the only available option—**three weekly flights from Clark to San Jose**—is not sufficient to support the growth of tourism or local economic development. These flights do not meet the needs of international travelers, and the situation is already affecting business, investments, and visitor confidence.

Key reasons why Manila–San Jose flights are essential:

- 1. International tourists do not use Clark Airport**
Visitors arriving from Europe, the Middle East, or North America typically land in Manila. After a 15–20 hour journey, they do not want to travel several more hours by land and ferry just to reach Mindoro. Without a Manila connection, many simply choose other destinations in the Philippines.
- 2. Complicated travel routes discourage tourism**
Many travelers are currently flying to Manila, transferring to Caticlan, and then taking the FastCat ferry to Mindoro. While this route was heavily used in recent months, it has proven **unreliable** due to weather disruptions. Numerous tourists missed their onward flights because the ferry could not operate. This creates frustration and damages the reputation of the region.
- 3. Word of mouth spreads quickly**
Tourists share their experiences widely online. If Mindoro becomes known as *difficult to reach*, people will not come — or they will not return. This directly impacts local businesses, resorts, restaurants, transportation providers, and the livelihood of countless families.
- 4. A Manila–San Jose route is critical for jobs and development**
Easier access will attract more visitors and encourage investment in tourism, agriculture, and eco-tourism projects. Improved connectivity is the key to unlocking the natural potential of Bulalacao and surrounding areas, creating sustainable employment for local communities.

For these reasons, I kindly request your support in opening discussions with the airlines to restore the Manila–San Jose flights. The involvement of your office adds authority and credibility to this request and will greatly help in presenting the needs of the region.

Thank you for your continued leadership and commitment to the development of Bulalacao and Southern Mindoro. I am ready to assist with any additional information or letters of support that may be useful.

With sincere respect,
Kathrin Borgwardt

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