



**RESOLUTION ON
POVERTY ERADICATION IN LIGHT OF GLOBALISATION**

The Twenty-Ninth General Assembly:

Recognizing that socio-economic disparities and poverty persist across ASEAN member states;

Noting that economic development and growth have played significant roles in mitigating these disparities and poverty, and that globalization has fuelled this development and growth;

Being aware that globalization has inadvertently led to the loss of livelihoods and economic hardship in a number of instances;

Affirming ASEAN's commitment to enhancing the well-being and the livelihood of the peoples of ASEAN through alleviating poverty, ensuring the right of the ASEAN people to social welfare and protection;

Understanding that development strategies to improve social and economic mobility should include appropriate social safety nets to assist the poorest of the poor;

Further recognizing the differing experiences and expertise of ASEAN member states in addressing socio-economic disparities and the persistence in poverty, and the importance of sharing information and technologies between members on effective strategies that address these problems; and



Reaffirming the commitment to operationalise the ASEAN Millennium Development Compact through the ASEAN Roadmap towards realizing the UN Millennium Development Goals;

Hereby resolves to:

Address the socio-economic disparities and poverty that persist across ASEAN member states including achieving the Millennium Development Goal of eradication of extreme poverty and hunger;

Encourage more opportunities for all ASEAN peoples to enhance their wellbeing, and to minimize the possible negative impacts of globalisation on them, by improving the quality, coverage and sustainability of social protection and increasing the capacity of social risk management.

Promote the implementation of social safety nets that suit the unique needs of the different communities within the ASEAN member states while taking into account the different benefits of community-based and government-based delivery mechanisms;

Support ASEAN Member States' community-driven initiatives for poverty reduction; and

Promote cooperation to identify and extend appropriate technical assistance required in the field of poverty reduction.

Call for creating opportunities for encouraging and attracting investors to invest in Least Development ASEAN Nations.

Urge the underdeveloped and developing AIPA member countries to strengthen their comprehensive national poverty eradication strategic plans and closely monitor their implementation, with increased level of financial aid from economically well-off AIPA member countries to ensure sufficient employment prospects for their peoples.