STATE OF RONDÔNIA

City Hall of Guajará-Mirim

MUNICIPAL LEGISLATIVE POWER

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Provides for the recognition of the rights of the Rio Laje - Komi Memen - in the municipality of Guajará-Mirim and its classification as a specially protected entity and other measures.

WHEREAS the Laje River is the main source of food security for the indigenous peoples who live in the Igarapé Laje Indigenous Land;

WHEREAS it is also a source of water and food security for other beings of nature and human communities due to its condition of interdependence with these beings interrelated throughout their course:

WHEREAS its mouth into the Madeira River is located above the Cachoeira do Ribeirão, whose incidence of previous floods affected communities more than 10km away, promoting the loss of biodiversity in the forest and waters and in productive lands;

WHEREAS the Laje River rises in the heart of the Guajará Mirim State Park, formerly the territory of indigenous peoples, a region of headwaters that is threatened with invasions by land grabbers, deforestation and the advance of monocultures;

WHEREAS the Laje River is vital for the integral ecology of the region and that protecting it by law is to reinforce the secular action of the original peoples, as well as guaranteeing greater protection of the forest that surrounds it and feeds and is fed by it, avoiding deserfication and the death of the Madeira River basin;

WHEREAS many places, regions and countries around the world have recognized that Nature must be respected and protected, recognizing its intrinsic rights and participation in institutional decision-making processes and legal systems;

WHEREAS these iniaves are consolidated in the midst of Harmony with Program nature of the UN by General Assembly Resolution A/70/208;

WHEREAS the Organic Law of the Municipality is based on the premise that the health, safety and well-being of its residents are inseparable from the ecological balance and that article 126 and its Paragraph 2, III, establish that all members of Nature, whether human or not, from the territory of Guajará-Mirim, have the right to an ecologically balanced environment and that the public power must define territorial spaces and their components to be specially protected, recognizing their intrinsic rights;

WHEREAS the Organic Law of the Municipality, in article 128, determines that the public administration must guarantee the recognition of the intrinsic rights of water bodies, under the aegis of the recognition of the Rights of Nature.

The Municipal Mayor of Guajará-Mirim, State of Acre,

USING the attributions conferred upon them by Law

MAKES it known that the Municipality of Guajará-Mirim has approved and he sanctions and enacts the following Law:

Art.1 - The intrinsic rights of the Laje River - Komi Memen - are recognized as a living entity and subject of rights, and of all other bodies of water and living beings that naturally exist in it or with whom it interrelates, including human beings, as they are interrelated in an interconnected, integrated and interdependent system.

Article 2 - Among the rights of Rio Laje and other related entities, exemplified in Article 1, the rights of:

I - maintain its natural flow and in sufficient quantity to guarantee the health of the ecosystem;

II - nourish and be nourished by the riparian forest and the surrounding forests and by the endemic biodiversity

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III - exist with its physico-chemical conditions adequate to its ecological balance;

IV- interrelate with human beings through biocultural idenficaon, their spiritual practices, leisure, artisanal fishing, agroecology and culture.

Article 3 - Rio Laje and interrelated beings must be protected and express their requests and voices by legal guardians, who will serve as their public representation, acting as advisors to the Public Power and the community in the exercise of these rights.

Article 4 - The executive branch shall regulate this law to create the Guardianship Committee for the interests of Rio Laje, the Guardian Committee, which shall act as guardian of the rights established in this law, participating in all public decision-making processes.

First Paragraph The Guardian Committee shall be elected based on a proven nomination from the members of its community, with mandatory participation in the following representations:

I a member of the Igarapé Laje indigenous community;

II a member of the fishing community;

III a representative of the Oro wari organization;

IV a representative of indigenous artisan women;

V a representative of the Federal University of Rondônia

Second Paragraph - The Guardian Committee shall, at least every 12 (twelve) months, prepare with the contribution of the Public Power, a concise written report to inform the community about the health and state of Rio and planning of strategic actions for the realization of rights recognized in this law.

Third Paragraph - The report must be published and discussed with the parcipaon of the members of the Executive and Legislative Powers, at the headquarters of the City Council, which will hold at least 2 (two) public hearings, extracting the recommendations.

Art. 6 - The Executive shall regulate this Law within a period of 90 (ninety) days, counted from the date of its publication.

Art. 7 - This law will come into effect on the date of its publication.

To the competent Commissions."

April 17, 2023

FRANCISCO ORO WARAN ÿ CITY COUNCILOR

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Document electronically signed by **FRANCISCO ORO WARAM, Councilor,** on 04/17/2023 at 3:20 pm, Guajara Mirim/RO time, based on art. 18 of Decree No. 12.656 of 03/20/2020.



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