



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Ilocos Norte
MUNICIPALITY OF SAN NICOLAS

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE 10TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN NICOLAS, ILOCOS NORTE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL SESSION HALL ON THE 7TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2016 AT 10:15 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING.

PRESENT:

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| Hon. Edistio P. Valdez, | Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer; |
| Hon. Angel Miguel L. Hernando, | Member; |
| Hon. Domingo C. Ambrocio, Jr., | Member; |
| Hon. Ariel B. Villa, | Member; |
| Hon. Efren C. Butay, | Member; |
| Hon. Norberto S. Dadiz, Jr., | Member; |
| Hon. Manuel D. Coloma, Sr., | Member; |
| Hon. Orlando B. Badua, | Member; |
| Hon. Jessie Julito P. Pumaras, Sr., | Member; |
| Hon. Linda E. Badua, | Member/Liga ng mga Barangay President. |

ABSENT:

None.

“RESOLUTION NO. 2016-253

A RESOLUTION EARNESTLY REQUESTING THE NATIONAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE PHILIPPINES (NHCP) TO DECLARE CERTAIN AREA OF SAN NICOLAS POBLACION AS HERITAGE ZONE OR HISTORIC CENTER.

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Republic Act No. 10066 also known as the "National Cultural Heritage Act of 2009" declares the principles and policies of the State that, "Sections 14, 15, 16 and 17, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution declare that the State shall foster the preservation, enrichment and dynamic evolution of a Filipino culture based on the principle of unity in diversity in a climate of free artistic and intellectual expression. The Constitution likewise mandates the State to conserve, develop, promote and popularize the nation's historical and cultural heritage and resources, as well as artistic creations. It further provides that all the country's artistic and historic wealth constitutes the cultural treasure of the nation and shall be under the protection of the State, which may regulate its disposition";

WHEREAS, according to the book Ilocos Norte A Travel Guidebook (2005), written by Prof. Regalado Trota Jose, et. al., states that the town of San Nicolas was established in 1617.

WHEREAS, in the said book, towns including San Nicolas "were built according to the Laws of the Indies. Each town must have a central plaza, an open square around which the church and casa tribunal (municipal hall), and houses of the leading families (the principals), were built";

WHEREAS, prominent built heritage structures within the poblacion such as the Roman Catholic Church of San Nicolas including the convent and road side fourteen (14) Via Crucis, Town Plaza, Casa Tribunal or Presidencia (municipal hall), Escuela, another Casa Tribunal (now, the San Nicolas Elementary School), Madamba House, and Valdes House are still intact. Although it was constructed in the early 2000, the Banga Monument (pot) situated at the sirkulo represents the outstanding value of centuries old tradition of the San Nicoleños, the earthenware, which is the town's symbol and source of inspiration and pride and humanity's development;

WHEREAS, these built heritages were mapped during the 2014 cultural heritage mapping project conducted by the municipality in partnership with the University of Sto. Tomas Graduate School Center for Conservation, Department of Tourism, and Department of Education;

WHEREAS, on December 2015, the National Museum declared five (5) cultural properties situated in the town as Important Cultural Properties: a) Church Complex of San Nicolas Roman Catholic Church (also declared as National Historical Landmark by the NHI in the 1950s) including the convent and road side Via Crucis, b) Municipal Hall (also declared as National Historical Landmark by the NHCP in 2009), c) Valdez-Lardizabal House (Old House), d) San Nicolas Elementary School, and e) Nagrebcan Archaeological Site at Brgy. 24, Sta. Monica;

WHEREAS, should this request merit for consideration and approval, the heritage zone or historic center in the town of San Nicolas where a historic space, historical structures with distinctive historical importance are present will be officially recognized as having significant historical and cultural value and becomes part of the patrimony to the Filipino people where these heritages can be passed on to future generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED to earnestly request the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) to declare certain area of San Nicolas Poblacion as Heritage Zone or Historic Center;

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that the local government unit shall commit itself for the preservation and conservation of those cultural properties which can be used for sustainable development;

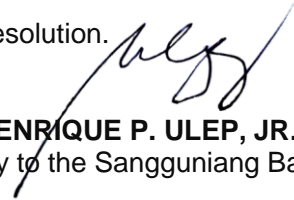
RESOLVED, FURTHERMORE, copies of this Resolution be furnished to the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) and all concerned, for their consideration and information.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.”


Voting on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

- AYES : Members Hernando, Ambrocio, Jr., Villa, Butay, Dadiz, Jr., Coloma, Sr., Badua, O., Pumaras, Sr., and Badua, L.
- NAYS : None.
- ABSTAINED : None.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.


ENRIQUE P. ULEP, JR.
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan I

ATTESTED:


EDISTIO P. VALDEZ
Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:


ALFREDO P. VALDEZ, JR., M.D.
Municipal Mayor

Approved on: November 8, 2016