

**OTHER PURPOSES:-**

Sponsor: Hon. David Casper Nathan A. Sergio

### Explanatory Note

Aside from being consistent with the Minutes of the Committee on Culture and the Arts in the 9<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod, there are three main reasons why the park being referred to herein must be called "Plaza Nueva Caceres" and the monument therein as "Nueva Caceres Monument".

Firstly, its location, per archival research made by eminent Bikol historian Danilo Madrid Gerona, suggests that it is constructed within the original district of the so-called Ciudad de Nueva Caceres, one of the four old Spanish colonial cities so established in Southeast Asia.

Secondly, the proposed name of the park and its monument will highlight the historical significance that Naga City (then Ciudad de Nueva Caceres) played in the Bicol Region and in the Philippines, not only as the Franciscan Mission's base for the propagation of Catholicism but also as a cradle for nationalist activism.

And lastly, the proposed name of the park and its monument supports, in no small measure, the City Government's thrust of promoting Naga City's history, its people's culture and arts, for purposes of tourism and economic development.

**BE IT ORDAINED**, therefore, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga, that:

**SECTION 1.** The recently constructed historical park at the corner of General Luna Street and Caceres Street (formerly Pasdian) in the City of Naga is hereby officially named "**PLAZA DE NUEVA CACERES**", to highlight the historicity of Naga and the original location of the once Spanish settlement called Ciudad de Nueva Caceres.

**SECTION 2.** The monument, which - as commissioned by the City Government of Naga-was designed and constructed by sculptor Jose A. Barcena, Jr. on that historical park, is hereby officially named as "**NUEVA CACERES MONUMENT**".

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**SECTION 3.** Appropriate marker/s shall be installed within the Plaza de Nueva Caceres. The design, material and text of said marker/s shall be adopted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod through a resolution, upon the recommendation of its Committee on Culture and the Arts.

**SECTION 4.** Any future modification of improvement to be introduced either to the park, to the monument therein, or the marker/s shall be with prior approval by the Sangguniang Panlungsod through a resolution.

**SECTION 5.** Ordinances, orders or similar documents or parts thereof inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, amended and/or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 6.** This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED: August 24, 2010.

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**WE HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

**GIL A. DE LA TORRE**  
Secretary to the  
Sangguniang Panlungsod

**GABRIEL H. BORDADO, JR.**  
City Vice Mayor &  
Presiding Office

APPROVED:

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City Mayor