

EXPLANATORY NOTE

On August 18, 2012, the Honorable Jesse Manalastas Robredo, Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), figured in a plane crash in the seawaters off Masbate City.

The Honorable Jesse M. Robredo served Naga City well, with great honor and integrity for 19 long and fruitful years.

Being the youngest mayor of this city (at age 29), he made the city proud through the various innovations he introduced especially those for the improvement of local governance, accountability and transparency, thereby minimizing, if not totally eradicating corruption in government.

During his early years, he bravely stood up to the big traditional politicians at the time, even to the extent of putting his life on the line, just to rid our city of the prevalent illegalities, in order to make Naga City a better and more peaceful place to live in.

He brought honor and recognition to this city when, under his vibrant leadership, Naga City was awarded as one of the most improved cities in the whole of Asia.

In partnership with stakeholders and consistent with his unwavering commitment to social justice, his administration crafted, implemented and institutionalized pro-poor programs and policies that sought to equalize opportunities for the marginalized sectors of society, including "Kaantabay sa Kauswagan" for housing, and the Quality Universal Elementary Education in Naga (QUEEN) and Sanggawadan programs for education.

His various national and international awards topped by the Ramon Magsaysay and Conrad Adenauer Awards brought pride and honor, not only to himself, but especially to this city which he deeply loved and cared for, even when he was in his far-off Department of the Interior and Local Government Office.

Given his exceptional accomplishment and invaluable contributions to the City of Naga and to the nation, it is just fitting and proper to mark August 18 of every year thereafter as "JESSE M. ROBREDO DAY" in the City of Naga, to give honor and remembrance to the man worthy of honor and emulation of all Nagueños.

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AN ORDINANCE DECLARING AUGUST 18 OF EVERY YEAR AS "JESSE M. ROBREDO DAY" IN THE CITY OF NAGA IN RECOGNITION OF THE EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE AND INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE LATE HONORABLE JESSE MANALASTAS ROBREDO TO THE CITY OF NAGA WHICH HE SERVED AS CITY MAYOR FOR 19 YEARS, AND TO THE COUNTRY AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DILG):-

On joint and collective motion

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga, that:

SECTION 1. - August 18 of every year is hereby declared as "JESSE M. ROBREDO DAY" in the City of Naga, in recognition of the exceptional performance and invaluable contributions of the late Honorable Jesse Manalastas Robredo to the City of Naga which he served as City Mayor for 19 years, and to the country as Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG);

SECTION 2. - This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED: September 4, 2012

CECILIA VELUZ-DE ASIS
City Councilor

NELSON S. LEGACION
City Councilor

ESTEBAN R. ABONAL
City Councilor

DAVID CASPER NATHAN A. SERGIO
City Councilor

MARIA ELIZABETH Q. LAVADIA
City Councilor

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City Councilor

JOSE A. TUASON
City Councilor

JOAQUIN F. PEREZ, JR.
City Councilor

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RAOUL T. ROSALES
City Councilor

ALEX C. NERO
City Councilor

DAN PAOLO R. MORALES
City Councilor

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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 Officer

APPROVED:

JOHN G. BONGAT
City Mayor