

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-047

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**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONUMENT DEDICATED TO NATIONAL HERO
JOSE MARIA PANGANIBAN LOCATED AT THE NAGA CENTRAL SCHOOL I AS
AN IMPORTANT CULTURAL PROPERTY DULY PROTECTED UNDER REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 10066:-**

Author: Hon. David Casper Nathan A. Sergio

WHEREAS, unknown to many, a ten-foot monument dedicated to national hero Jose Maria Panganiban has been in existence for many decades near the flagpole at the Naga Central School I ground, this city;

WHEREAS, the monument, made of concrete materials and painted with white and light blue, has a pedestal of about eight feet in height whereon sits the bust of Jose Maria Panganiban, the latter approximately two feet in height;

WHEREAS, said monument, per inscription on one side of its pedestal, was caused to be erected by the Parent Teacher Association circa 1930-1931;

WHEREAS, by its design and rendition, the monument is unmistakably old;

WHEREAS, this monument could be the first and the oldest structure honouring Jose Maria Panganiban in the country, if not the whole world;

WHEREAS, this monument could be a mute witness to the atrocities committed by the Japanese against the Naguenos, to the bombings of Naga City by the American planes during the World War II, and to the many destructive typhoons that ravaged this part of Bicol region;

WHEREAS, all structures 50 years of age or more are considered heritage structures per Republic Act 10066 and are protected by law from destruction or modification;

WHEREAS, this year 2013 is the 150th birth anniversary of Jose Maria Panganiban, who was born on February 1, 1863 at the town of Mambulao (now named Jose Panganiban) in the province of Camarines Norte;

WHEREAS, Jose Maria Panganiban is one of the main writers of "La Solidaridad", the publication of the Filipino reformists movement in Europe during the Spanish colonial period, writing under the pen names "Jomapa" and "J.M.P."; but prior to going abroad, he studied at the Seminario del Santissimo Rosario (now named Holy Rosary Minor Seminary) in Naga City;

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NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Hon. D.C. Nathan A. Sergio, seconded by Hon. Jose A. Tuason and Hon. Jose B. Importante;

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we, the living, bestow honor and be proud of Jose Maria Panganiban, and appreciate his important contribution to the country;

Now, therefore, on motion of Councilor Nathan Sergio, duly seconded unanimously;

BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to declare the monument dedicated to national hero Jose Maria Panganiban located at the Naga Central School I, Naga City, as an important cultural property duly protected under Republic Act. No. 10066.

LET COPIES of this Resolution be furnished His Honor, The City Mayor, for his concurrence; the Chairman of the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), for his information and appropriate action; the Office of the Principal, Naga Central School I and the Office of the Schools Superintendent, Naga City Public Schools Division, Department of Education (DepED), for their information and guidance; and the Sangguniang Bayan of LGU-Jose Panganiban (formerly Mambulao, Camarines Norte), the Department of Tourism (DOT), the City Engineer's Office (CEO), the city's Arts, Culture and Tourism Office (ACTO) and the local chapters of the United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) and the Philippine Institute of Civil Engineers (PICE), for their information.

APPROVED.

Adopted: March 5, 2013

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WE HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

GIL A. DE LA TORRE

Secretary to the
Sangguniang Panlungsod

CECILIA VELUZ-DE ASIS

Acting City Vice Mayor &
Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

JOHN G. BONGAT

City Mayor