

Republic of the Philippines SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD City Government of Naga

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-057

AN ORDINANCE NAMING THE UNNAMED STREET FROM THE CORNER OF PANGANIBAN DRIVE PASSING THRU THE WEST SIDE OF ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL AND UP TO THE CORNER OF BONING SIA SR. STREET IN CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT II AS RAMON H. FELIPE JR. STREET: -

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Explanatory Note

The Honorable Ramon H. Felipe, Jr. was the former City Mayor of Naga, under whose watch the Naga City Public Market (now renamed as Naga City People's Mall) was constructed to become, at that time, the biggest single-roofed public market in Southeast Asia.

Ramon, Jr. was born on March 11, 1920, in Naga City to Ramon B. Felipe and Rosalia Felin Hidalgo. He completed his primary and intermediate education in 5 years under the Naga public school system and graduated class valedictorian in 1932. He enrolled at the Camarines Sur Provincial High School in his freshman year but transferred to the Ateneo de Manila University, where he got his high school diploma with first honors.

In college, Ramon was a full scholar, the President of the Ateneo de Manila Student Council, Associate Editor of the Guidon, and an organist of the Ateneo Choir. He received his AB in 1940, graduating summa cum laude, and was granted a full scholarship to the Ateneo College of Law. When war broke out on December 8, 1941, Ramon reported for duty with the USAFFE as an ROTC sergeant, but he never saw active duty.

In 1945, Ramon placed third in the Philippine Bar Examinations, even before formally graduating from law school. Running as an independent LP candidate, Ramon became the mayor of Naga City in 1963 and served until 1965.

Before he could finish his term, he was drafted by the LP to run for Congressman of the first district of Camarines Sur (the province then was divided into only two districts, with Naga City belonging to the first district). Having been consistently acclaimed as one of the Ten Outstanding Congressmen every year of his first and second terms (1965-1969; 1969- 1972), it was in 1969

when he was elected as House Minority Floor Leader.

When Martial Law was declared in 1972, Ramon returned to his private law' practice. He then joined the Araneta Group of Companies as its vice president for Legal Affairs. President Ferdinand Marcos, Sr., under pressure to assign an opposition member to the Commission on Elections, appointed Ramon in time to oversee the 1984 Batasang Pambansa elections. He continued to assume the same post under President Cory Aquino until he retired on February 3, 1988.

This illustrious son of Naga passed away on June 15, 2017, incidentally three (3) days before the city's 69th Charter Anniversary. He was buried at the Sto. Nino Memorial Park in Barangay Balatas, Naga City.







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BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Naga, in session duly assembled, that:

SECTION 1. RAMON H. FELIPE JR. STREET. The unnamed street from the corner of Panganiban Drive passing thru the west side of St. Joseph School and up to the corner of Boning Sia Sr. Street in Central Business District II is hereby officially named as Ramon H. Felipe Jr. Street."

SECTION 2. REPEALING CLAUSE. All rules and regulations, executive issuances, and other public documents which are inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVITY. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED: May 21, 2024.

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WE HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

GIL A. DE LA TORRE

Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

CECILIA B. VELVZ-DE ASIS
City Vice Mayor
& Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

NELSON S. LEGACION