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SANGEUNIANG PALLUNG OF NE NASA

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-XXX

AN ORDINANCE RENAMING THE PRESENT PLAZA QUEZON TO PLAZA QUEZON DE NAGA THEREBY AMENDING NAGA CITY ORDINANCE NO. 378, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:-

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WHEREAS, a plaza or town square is an open public space commonly found at the heart of the town or city, and serves as a central space for significant community gatherings, socio-cultural events, and civic activities which bears on people's way of life;

WHEREAS, a plaza reflects the identity and values of a community, often hosting festivals, art shows, and commemorations, among others, that celebrate local heritage;

WHEREAS, by virtue of Naga City Ordinance No. 378, dated March 8, 1971, the public park formerly known as Quezon Square and "Plaza Kiosko" was officially renamed "Plaza Quezon" to standardize the use of the name in all official and public references, and which alludes to honoring the late President Manuel L. Quezon;

WHEREAS, Naga City has a rich and distinct historical and cultural heritage as one of the oldest royal cities in the Philippines, originally known as Nueva Cáceres, with a unique identity deeply rooted in Bicolano traditions and history;

WHEREAS, the name "Plaza Quezon de Naga" reflects and celebrates the city's cultural identity and historical significance, emphasizing its status as a vibrant center of heritage, faith, and community in the Bicol region, while honouring a hero, the late President Manuel L. Quezon;

WHEREAS, the said plaza is currently undergoing a major renovation and beautification, as supported by Senator Ronald M. Dela Rosa and designed by the United Architects of the Philippines Camarines Sur Chapter, aimed to give the plaza a new face that harmonizes with and highlights the cultural heritage of "Ciudad de Naga";

WHEREAS, renaming the plaza to "Plaza Quezon de Naga" will reinforce the city's commitment to preserving and promoting its unique cultural legacy and will foster greater civic pride among its residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Councilor _____, duly seconded, it is hereby:

ORDAINED, as it is hereby ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Naga City in session assembled:

- Section 1. The public park currently known as "Plaza Quezon" is hereby officially renamed "Plaza Quezon de Naga."
- Section 2. All references to "Plaza Quezon" in official documents, permits, signage, and public communications shall be changed accordingly to "Plaza Quezon de Naga."
- Section 3. The City Government, through the City Tourism Office and other concerned offices, shall undertake appropriate information and public

awareness campaigns to popularize the new name and its cultural significance.

Section 4. The ongoing renovation and beautification works of the plaza shall incorporate design elements that reflect Naga City's heritage, history, and cultural identity, in accordance with the plans prepared by the United Architects of the Philippines Camarines Sur Chapter. A bust relief of the late President Manuel L. Quezon shall likewise be among the significant components of the said plaza.

Section 5. All ordinances, rules, and regulations inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 6. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

ENACTED this ___ day of ___ , 2025 at Naga City, Philippines.

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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:

MARIA LEONOR G. ROBREDO City Mayor