



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Bulacan
City of Malolos

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF 58th REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF MALOLOS HELD AT AT SESSION HALL (ANNEX), 5TH FLOOR, NEW BUILDING OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF MALOLOS AUGUST 22, 2023.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

HON. MIGUEL ALBERTO T. BAUTISTA	City Vice Mayor Presiding Officer City Councilor
HON. FRANCISCO J. CASTRO	"
HON. JOHN VINCENT G. VITUG III	"
HON. NINO CARLO C. BAUTISTA	"
HON. MICHAEL M. AQUINO	"
HON. MIGUEL CARLOS B. SOTO	"
HON. EDGARDO F. DOMINGO	"
HON. THERESE CHERYLL B. OPLE	"
HON. VICTORINO M. ALDABA III	"
HON. EMMANUEL R. SACAY	"
HON. DENNIS D. SAN DIEGO	"
HON. PATRICK S. DELA CRUZ	SK President
HON. DIONISIO C. MENDOZA	ABC President

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT:

CITY RESOLUTION NO. 254-2023

A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING THE DEPRAVITY OF MR. AMADEUS FERNANDO PAGENTE "AKA" PURA LUKA VEGA, AND DECLARING HIS ACTIONS AS UNACCEPTABLE AS WELL AS DECLARING HIM AN UNWELCOMED INDIVIDUAL AND AN UNDESIRABLE INDIVIDUAL IN THE CITY OF MALOLOS.

SPONSORED BY: HON. DENNIS D. SAN DIEGO
CO-AUTHORED: HON. MIGUEL ALBERTO T. BAUTISTA HON. FRANCISCO J. CASTRO,
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HON. DENNIS D. SAN DIEGO, HON. DIONISIO C. MENDOZA AND HON. PATRICK S. DELA CRUZ

WHEREAS, in recent news, videos of a certain social media personality who goes by his social media name of Pura Luka Vega had gone viral for dressing up in the image of the leader of the head of the Christian faith, as well as obscenely dancing to a disco version tune of one of the prayers considered sacred by the said denomination, a denomination which comprises 85% of the people in our country;

WHEREAS, Mr. Pagente had exhibited his depravity and insensitivity by openly mocking and offending the religious belief of majority of the constituents of the city, with utter disregard for common decency expected from a normal peace-abiding member of our society;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Malolos reiterates its commitment to protect and uphold the dignity and well-being of all its constituents in the practice of any of their tenets, religion or political belief, free from any persecution, mockery and discrimination;

WHEREAS, Article 201 of the Revised Penal Code penalizes, among others, "those who, in theaters, fairs, cinematographs, or any other place exhibit indecent or immoral plays, scenes, acts or shows, whether live or in film, which are prescribed by virtue thereof..." which include those that "offend any race or religion";

WHEREAS, Article 19 of the International Covenant for Civil and Political Rights to which the Philippines is a signatory to, states that the practice of one's freedom of expression carries with it the duty and responsibility of not going against public morals;

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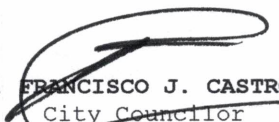
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WHEREAS, while Mr. Pagente has a constitutional right of free expression, such freedom may not be used to trump other people's right to the free practice of their religion which is likewise protected under our constitution;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of **Hon. Dennis D. San Diego**, duly seconded by all Members present

RESOLVED THEREFORE, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod to condemn the actions of Mr. Amadeus Fernando Pagente "aka" Pura Luka Vega, as unacceptable behavior in the City of Malolos and to declare the same as an unwelcome individual and undesirable individual in the entire City of Malolos.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that all offices under the local government unit as well as all 51 barangay offices in the city be furnished with copies of this resolution.

APPROVED.


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City Councilor


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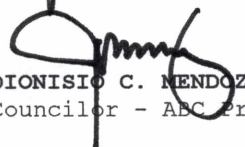

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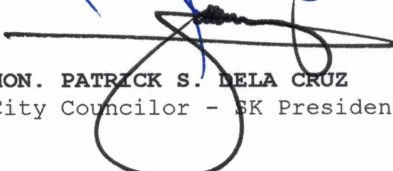

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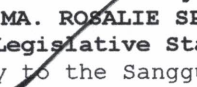

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City Councilor - BK President

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing City Resolution was approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod.


MA. ROSALIE SP. CRUZ
Local Legislative Staff Officer V
Temporary Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED BY:


HON. MIGUEL ALBERTO T. BAUTISTA
City Vice Mayor - Presiding Officer

APPROVED/DISAPPROVED:
SEP 05 2023
Date of Approval:


ATTY. CHRISTIAN T. NATIVIDAD
City Mayor

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