



Republic of the Philippines  
**SANGGUNIANG BAYAN**  
Taytay, Rizal

DR No. 2303 - 047

**RESOLUTION NO. 191 series of 2023**

**A RESOLUTION EXTENDING FELICITATIONS TO THE DIOCESE OF  
ANTIPOLO FOR THE SOLEMN DECLARATION AND ELEVATION OF THE  
NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF PEACE AND GOOD VOYAGE  
(ANTIPOLO CATHEDRAL) AS THE 1ST INTERNATIONAL SHRINE IN THE  
PHILIPPINES AND IN SOUTH EAST ASIA ON MARCH 25, 2023**

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WHEREAS, the National Shrine of Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage in the Diocese of Antipolo was first built in 1630 by the Jesuits and was completed in 1632 but was greatly damaged during the Sangley rebellion in 1639 and the earthquakes of 1645, 1824 and 1863;

WHEREAS, the pilgrimage site that enshrines the Marian image of Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage included as its devotees the family of Dr. Jose Rizal who visited the shrine as a boy with his father to fulfill a vow his mother had made when they both survived the delivery of the future National Hero;

WHEREAS, towards the end of the second world war in 1945, the Antipolo church, that was turned into a garrison by the Japanese imperial army, was destroyed due to heavy bombardment by the allied forces and a campaign was organized to build a new church, with the fundraising committee being headed by the former First Lady Aurora Quezon and then Antipolo parish priest, Francisco Avendano where the construction began in 1948 and was completed in 1954;

WHEREAS, on January 14, 1954, the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines declared the Antipolo Church as the National Shrine to Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage and was elevated to the status of cathedral on June 25 June, 1983;

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2022, the Holy See in Vatican City declared the approval of Antipolo Cathedral to be classified as an international shrine, making it the 11th International Shrine in the world, the third in Asia and the first in South East Asia;

WHEREAS, the decree sent to Antipolo Cathedral by Pope Francis elevating it to be the very first international shrine in the country will take effect on March 25, 2023 which, according

to the CBCP, also coincides with the day when the image of Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage departed Acapulco, Mexico on board a galleon 397 years ago;

WHEREAS, the parishes in Taytay, namely St. John the Baptist Parish, Christ the King Parish, Mary, Queen of Peace Parish, San Antonio De Padua Parish, San Lorenzo Ruiz Parish, San Felipe Neri Parish and Mary, Mother of the Church Parish that belong to the Diocese of Antipolo under the stewardship of Most Reverend Francisco M. De Leon, D.D. are celebrating the ennoblement of the shrine that attracts millions of pilgrims annually, especially during the Pilgrimage Season;


WHEREAS, the people of Taytay and the Local Government Unit spearheaded by Mayor Allan Martine S. De Leon, MPA and the 12<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Bayan of Taytay partakes in this historic solemnization and recognition of Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage, in the Diocese of Antipolo as the First International Shrine in the Philippines;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the 12<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Bayan of Taytay, Rizal, in session duly assembled, hereby EXTENDS FELICITATIONS TO THE DIOCESE OF ANTIPOLO FOR THE SOLEMN DECLARATION AND ELEVATION OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF PEACE AND GOOD VOYAGE (ANTIPOLO CATHEDRAL) AS THE 1ST INTERNATIONAL SHRINE IN THE PHILIPPINES AND IN SOUTH EAST ASIA ON MARCH 25, 2023.

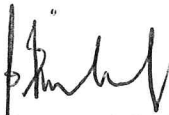
RESOLVED FURTHER, that the copy of this Resolution be furnished and forwarded to the Diocese of Antipolo and all concerned for their information.

ADOPTED, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2023, 3:14 PM at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall, Municipality of Taytay, Province of Rizal.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY, to the correctness of the foregoing Resolution which was duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Taytay on second reading on March 22, 2023 and was passed on third and final reading on March 22, 2023 during the 37<sup>th</sup> Regular Session held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2023.

  
ATTY. STANLEE D. CALMA  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED TO BE DULY  
ADOPTED BY HER HONOR

  
HON. SOPHIA PRISCILLA L. CABRAL  
Municipal Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer