



Republic of the Philippines
SANGGUNIANG BAYAN
Taytay, Rizal

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RESOLUTION NO. 359 series of 2024

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING FELICITATIONS TO THE ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH CHURCH FOR ITS SOLEMN DECLARATION AND ELEVATION TO MINOR BASILICA

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WHEREAS, the St. John the Baptist Parish Church Taytay in the Diocese of Antipolo was established by Franciscan missionaries in 1579 near the shores of Laguna de Bay to honor its patron saint, John the Baptist, and is considered one of the oldest stone churches outside Intramuros;

WHEREAS, due to recurrent flooding, Jesuit Fr. Pedro Chirino relocated the church to a higher spot on a hill named San Juan del Monte, where the parish still exists today;

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2024, the parish priest of SJB, Fr. Pedrito Rabonza III announced that Pope Francis had granted the parish church the title of Minor Basilica, the first in the Province of Rizal;

WHEREAS, the designation of Minor Basilica is typically given based on a church's architecture, history, and known liturgy, or a combination of these characteristics;

WHEREAS, the declaration of the Pope to the 16th-century church as a minor basilica is an honor that only 23 churches have in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the people of Taytay and the Local Government Unit spearheaded by Mayor Allan Martine S. De Leon, MPA and the 12th Sangguniang Bayan of Taytay partakes in this historic solemnization and recognition of St. John the Baptist Parish as a Minor Basilica;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, by the 12th Sangguniang Bayan of Taytay, Rizal, in a session duly assembled, hereby EXTENDS FELICITATIONS TO THE ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH CHURCH FOR ITS SOLEMN DECLARATION AND ELEVATION TO MINOR BASILICA.

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

ADOPTED, this 7th day of February 2024, 3:07 PM at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall,
Municipality of Taytay, Province of Rizal.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, to the correctness of the foregoing Resolution which was duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Taytay on second reading on February 7, 2024 and was passed on third and final reading on February 7, 2024 during the 80th Regular Session held on the 7th day of February, 2024.



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