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Tangapan ng Sangguniang Panlungsod
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HON. JULIAN C. LAVADIA JR.
HON. VIDAL P. CASTILLO
HON. SALVADOR M. DEL CASTILLO

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-170
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RESOLUTION EARNESTLY APPEALING TO ALL CONCERNED INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS TO UPHOLD THE RULE OF LAW AND PROTECT HUMAN DIGNITY IN THE EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR FREEDOMS, PARTICULARLY THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH OR EXPRESSION, AND DECLARING THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF NAGA'S UNCONDITIONAL SUPPORT TO THE STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, MARIA LEONOR GERONA ROBREDO, ON THE MATTER:-

On joint and collective motion

WHEREAS, although the current conversation using the social media on this thing called "leaks" may be brushed aside by some as mere part of the exercise of one's right to free speech or expression, the direction it has taken is certainly objectionable as it offends the sensibilities of a civilized society;

WHEREAS, although the freedom of speech or expression is constitutionally guaranteed, we should all bear in mind that what is actually guaranteed by the Constitution and our laws is RESPONSIBLE exercise of rights or freedom;

WHEREAS, the exercise of one's rights or freedom becomes irresponsible when such exercise tramples upon the rights of others as, indeed, "one's rights end where others' rights begin";

WHEREAS, tagging the current mudslinging as #NagaLeaks is a glaring example of an IRRESPONSIBLE exercise of the freedom of speech for in doing so, the mud is hurled against the entire City of Naga and therefore against all of its people;

WHEREAS, tagging the current mudslinging as #NagaLeaks is an unprovoked and utterly baseless attack against the entire City of Naga and, correspondingly, against all nagueños and nagueñas;

WHEREAS, the beloved children of Naga City, Maria Leonor Gerona Robredo, Vice-President of the Republic of the Philippines, and her late husband Jesse M. Robredo, who had both brought much honor and pride to the City of Naga, are currently being subjected to vicious attacks in the most unfair manner;

WHEREAS, on 13 March 2017, the Vice-President of the Republic of the Philippines, Maria Leonor Gerona Robredo, issued an unequivocal statement against the said vicious attacks and abusive use of social media;

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WHEREAS, as the duly elected representatives of the people of Naga City, it is the sworn duty of the Sanggunian Panlungsod to defend the City against any such attacks and to exercise whatever is within its power and authority to ensure that at all times and under any circumstance the rule of law prevails;

WHEREAS, despite the desire of the Sangguniang Panlungsod to bring the perpetrators to answer for their brazen irresponsibility, prosecuting them will not come handy as these perpetrators hide behind the protection of anonymity;

WHEREAS, in order to convey the strong objection of the City of Naga over the irresponsible use of social media and to earnestly call for the constructive use of this powerful communication platform, the passage of this resolution is not only urgent but is also called for.

NOW, THEREFORE, on joint and collective motion of the Members of the 12th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga;

BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, TO EARNESTLY APPEAL TO ALL CONCERNED INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS TO UPHOLD THE RULE OF LAW AND PROTECT HUMAN DIGNITY IN THE EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR FREEDOMS, PARTICULARLY THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH OR EXPRESSION, AND TO DECLARE THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF NAGA'S UNCONDITIONAL SUPPORT TO THE STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, MARIA LEONOR GERONA ROBREDO, ON THE MATTER.

LET COPIES of this Resolution be furnished the Honorable City Mayor for his notation, the Honorable Vice-President of the Republic of the Philippines, Maria Leonor Gerona Robredo for her information, and the different media outlets in the City of Naga for their respective publication to accordingly inform the public.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

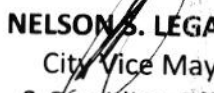
Adopted: 14 March 2017


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WE HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.


NELSON S. LEGACION
City Vice Mayor
& Presiding Officer


GIL A. DE LA TORRE
Secretary to the
Sangguniang Panlungsod

NOTED:


JOHN G. BONGAT
City Mayor
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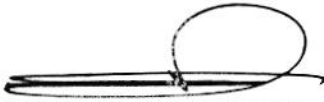
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