



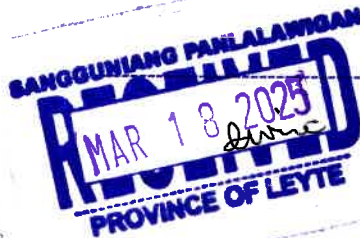
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*[Signature]*  
Date: 3.14.25



2<sup>nd</sup> INDORSEMENT  
December 26, 2024

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 2024-21 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Hilongos, Leyte.

**Issues/ concerns for review/ recommendation/ legal opinion is/ are as follows:**

- Ordinance No. 2024-21 entitled: **“An Ordinance naming 3 unnamed streets in the Municipality of Hilongos.”**

**REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:**

This office is of the opinion that pursuant to Section 13(c)(2)<sup>1</sup> of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160), prior consultation with the Philippine Historical Commission is required in naming public roads within the municipalities’ territorial jurisdiction. Hence, compliance with such requirement is recommended.

We hope to have assisted you with this request. Please note that the opinion rendered by this Office are based on the facts available and may vary or change when additional facts and documents are presented or changed. This opinion is likewise without prejudice to the opinions rendered by higher and competent authorities and/or the courts.

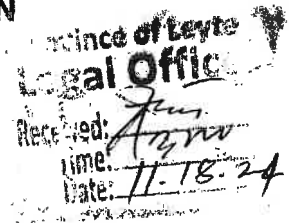
**ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL**  
*Provincial Legal Officer* *[Signature]*

<sup>1</sup> (c) The sanggunians of component cities and municipalities may, in consultation with the Philippine Historical Commission, change the name of the following within its territorial jurisdiction:  
(2) City, municipal and barangay roads, avenues, boulevards, thoroughfares, and bridges;


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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

1<sup>ST</sup> INDORSEMENT  
18 November 2024



The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 2024-21** of the **Municipality of Hilongos, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance naming three (3) unnamed streets in the Municipality of Hilongos.**

  
FLORINDA JILL SUYVICO  
Secretary to the Sanggunian



MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2024-21

AN ORDINANCE NAMING THREE (3) UNNAMED STREETS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF  
HILONGOS

Authored by: **HON. EDWIN F. FALLER**

Chairperson, Committee on Finance, Appropriations, Ways and Means and Economic  
Enterprise

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 7160, also known as the Local Government Code of 1991, and the Revised Guidelines of the National Historical Commission of the Philippines grant the Sangguniang Bayan the authority to name, rename, or alter the names of streets, public places, and other structures owned by the municipality within its jurisdiction, thereby enabling local government to honor significant individuals and improve local infrastructure;

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of Hilongos currently has several unnamed streets, which hinders easy identification and navigation for residents and visitors alike, creating challenges in locating specific areas within the municipality and leading to practical issues such as delays in postal and delivery services and difficulties for emergency response efforts;

**WHEREAS**, immediate action to assign names to these streets is essential to enhance public services, facilitate more efficient area identification, and strengthen community pride by commemorating notable public figures whose exemplary leadership, dedication, and contributions have left an indelible mark on the town's progress and identity;

**WHEREAS**, under Section 13 of the Local Government Code, local government units are empowered to name, rename, or change the names of streets, avenues, boulevards, and other public spaces, providing the legal basis for this ordinance to name certain unnamed streets in Hilongos in honor of the municipality's late mayors;

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Code, particularly Article 3, Section 16 (General Welfare Clause), mandates local governments to promote and enhance the general welfare of the community, recognizing individuals who have significantly contributed to the municipality's growth and welfare, and fostering a sense of cultural heritage and community identity;

**WHEREAS**, naming these streets after past municipal mayors will serve as visible, enduring tributes to their service and leadership, creating a lasting legacy that serves both as an educational tool and a source of community pride, while reinforcing Hilongos' cultural heritage and local identity;

**WHEREAS**, the municipality acknowledges that honoring the legacy of former mayors through street names will enhance historical awareness among current and future residents, thereby strengthening the social and cultural fabric of Hilongos, and exemplifying the local government's commitment to upholding a sense of continuity and respect for the traditions and achievements that contribute to the municipality's unique identity;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Hon. Edwin F. Faller, as duly seconded by Hon. Manuel M. Gabisan and Hon. Aline B. Reoma;

**MANUEL R. VILLAHERMOSA**  
Municipal Mayor

**BERNADETH M. NERVES**  
SB Member

**EDWIN F. FALLER**  
SB Member

**ALBERT R. VILLAHERMOSA**  
Municipal Vice-Mayor

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SB Member  
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**TRINIDAD V. ZARATE**  
SB Member

**ALINE B. REOMA**  
SB Member

BE IT ENACTED, by the 16<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Bayan of Hilongos in its regular session assembled;

**SECTION 1. TITLE** – This Ordinance shall be known as ***“An Ordinance Naming three (3) Unnamed Streets in the Municipality of Hilongos.”***

**SECTION 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS** – For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms are defined as follows:

- **Road** – An open way for vehicles, pedestrians, and animals to travel.
- **Street** – A public thoroughfare within a city or town, typically lined with buildings on one or both sides and wider than an alley.

**SECTION 3. NAMING OF THREE UNNAMED STREETS** – The following streets, all located in Barangay Western Poblacion that are currently unnamed, are designated for naming, to wit:

1. The street located between the Hilongos Municipal Gymnasium and the Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (MDRRM) Building leading to the Hilongos Coastal Boulevard.
2. The street situated between the Hilongos Municipal Gymnasium and the residences in Barangay Western, leading to the wet market and *Bagsakan* area.
3. The street at the corner of R.V. Villaflores Street, leading to the Brgy. Western Poblacion Gymnasium, and the street situated between the Legislative Building and Metro Gaisano.

**SECTION 4. NAMES OF STREETS** – The aforementioned streets shall be named as follows:

- a. **A.N. Fulache Street** – In honor of the late former Municipal Mayor **Armando Napoles Fulache**, who was elected on February 3, 1988 until June 30, 1992. The street located between the Hilongos Municipal Gymnasium and the Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (MDRRM) Building leading to the Hilongos Coastal Boulevard shall be named in his honor.
- b. **M.A. Cubio Street** – In honor of the late former Municipal Mayor **Marcial Alfante Cubio**, who served Hilongos in the years 1970 to 1978. The street situated between the Hilongos Municipal Gymnasium and the residences in Barangay Western, leading to the wet market and *Bagsakan* area shall be named in his honor.
- c. **H.A. Viterbo Street** – In honor of the late former Municipal Mayor **Harry Amper Viterbo**, who was appointed in August 1986 during the EDSA Revolution and served for 18 months. The street at the corner of R.V. Villaflores Street, leading to the Brgy. Western Poblacion Gymnasium, and the street situated between the Legislative Building and Metro Gaisano shall be named after him.

**SECTION 5. SIGNAGE** – The Office of the Municipal Engineer is hereby directed to install appropriate street name signs and markers at the designated locations within thirty (30) days after the effectivity of this ordinance.

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**SECTION 6. REPEALING CLAUSE** – All provisions of previous Ordinances, Executive Orders, and Resolutions that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE** – If any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid by a competent authority, the remaining provisions that are not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 8. EFFECTIVITY** – This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

**ENACTED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024 during the Forty-Third Regular Session of the 16<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Bayan of Hilongos.

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SB Member *(on vacation leave)*

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Kabataan

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

**ATTESTED:**

**ALBERT R. VILLAHERMOSA**  
Municipal Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer

**CATHERINE A. FABULAR**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

**APPROVED:**

**MANUEL R. VILLAHERMOSA**  
Municipal Mayor

Date: 11/15/24



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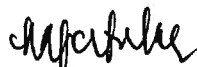
### CERTIFICATION

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that pursuant to paragraph (a) of Article 114 of Republic Act 7160, also known as the Local Government Code of 1991 Municipal Ordinance No. 2024-21: An Ordinance Naming Three (3) unnamed Streets in the Municipality of Hilongos was posed in three (3) conspicuous places in the municipality, the undersigned has complied the said provision last November 4, 2024.

Further, this certification is issued in compliance with RA 7160.

GIVEN this 15th day of November, 2024 in Hilongos, Leyte, Philippines.

  
**CATHERINE A. FABULAR**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian