



Republic of the Philippines  
MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG  
Province of Leyte



Office of the Sangguniang Bayan

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 19<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 20<sup>TH</sup> HONORABLE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF ABUYOG, LEYTE HELD AT ITS SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING MUNICIPAL COMPOUND, ABUYOG, LEYTE ON MAY 12, 2026.

PRESENT:

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| Hon. Dario P. Llave           | Municipal Vice Mayor, Prsdg. Officer – O.B. |
| Hon. Felicito V. Topia, Jr.   | SB Member                                   |
| Hon. Rodolfo M. Cabis         | SB Member, Floor Leader                     |
| Hon. Roy Percival M. Perez    | SB Member                                   |
| Hon. Patrocinio A. Risos, Jr. | SB Member                                   |
| Hon. Erwin V. Belleza         | SB Member                                   |
| Hon. Melliza Jane C. Traya    | SB Member, SK Fed. President                |

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ABSENT:

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| Hon. Lemuel Vincent D. Tan | SB Member, Prsdg. Pro-tempore   |
| Hon. Ma. Amelia C. Gacis   | SB Member – (Official Business) |
| Hon. Ofelia K. Traya       | SB Member – (Official Business) |
| Hon. John Bill V. Traya    | SB Member, ABC President – O.B. |

RESOLUTION NO. 242, SERIES 2026

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE TO SETTLE AND PROPERLY DELINEATE MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG, LEYTE AND THAT OF MUNICIPALITY OF SILAGO SOUTHERN LEYTE**

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Silago, Southern Leyte is claiming that Brgy. Bulak of this municipality belongs to that municipality by virtue of R.A. 5962 and Executive Order 326 which states that:

“The barrios of Silago, Hingatonggan (sic), Laguna (sic), Kikilo, Bulak, Sapang, Awayon and Balagawa, and the sitios of Combis, San Roque, Talague, Malen and Mabadyang in the Municipality of Hinunangan, Province of Southern Leyte are separated from said municipality and constituted into a district and independent municipality, to be known as the Municipality of Silago, same province. The set of government of the new municipality shall be in the present site of the barrio of Silago.”

WHEREAS, since time immemorial the Municipality of Hingatongan the mother municipality of Silago and the Municipality of Silago since its creation did not and were not able to exercise territorial and governmental jurisdiction whatsoever of the barangay claim by Silago to be within their jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, the law that creates the municipality of Silago is very clear that the barrios that were separated and constituted into a district and independent municipality are barrios taken from the Municipality of Hinunangan the mother municipality of Silago;

Basic is the rule that the law speaks in clear and categorical languages there is no room for interpretation but only room for application (Municipality of Naga Cebu GR. No. L-24116-17 Aug. 22, 1968; Dequito vs. Lopez GR No. L-57 March 28, 1968)

WHEREAS, the unresolved delineation of the territorial boundaries between the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte and the Municipality of Silago Southern Leyte, continues to create

confusion and conflict in the administrative and jurisdiction over the affected areas, notwithstanding the several resolutions previously submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup>, 17, and 19<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang bayan of Abuyog to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Leyte requesting appropriate action thereon.

NOW THEREFORE BY THE 20<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIANG BAYAN IN SESSION ASSEMBLED DULY CALLED FOR, upon motion of the Honorable SB Member Rodolfo M. Cacias jointly seconded by Honorable SB Member Roy Percival M. Perez and Honorable SB Member Erwin V. Belleza.

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to request as it is hereby earnestly requested the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Leyte to settle and properly delineate the Municipal boundaries of the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte and that of the Municipality of Silago, Southern Leyte.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnished copy of this resolution to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Leyte through its 5<sup>th</sup> District Representative Board Member Carlo P. Loreto and Board Member Michael L. Cari for its immediate and prompt consideration of the request.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this resolution likewise be furnished to the DILG Province of Leyte and DILG Province of Southern Leyte and the DILG Regional Director of Region VIII for their information and guidance.

APPROVED: May 12, 2026

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I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Resolution.

ATTESTED:

  
**JEANNETTE A. VALIDA**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

**HON. LEMUEL VINCENT D. TAN**  
SB Member, Prsdg. Pro-tempore

  
**HON. FELICITO V. TOPIA, JR.**  
SB Member

**HON. MA. AMELIA C. GACIS**  
SB Member – (Official Business)

**HON. OFELIA K. TRAYA**  
SB Member – (Official Business)

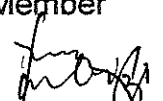
  
**HON. RODULFO M. CABIAS**  
SB Member, Floor Leader

  
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SB Member

  
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SB Member

  
**HON. ERWIN V. BELLEZA**  
SB Member

  
**HON. JOHN BILLY V. TRAYA**  
SB Member/ ABC Fed. President- O.B.

  
**HON. MELLIZA JANE C. TRAYA**  
SB Member/ SK Ped. Pres.

APPROVED:

  
**HON. DARIO P. LLEVE**  
Municipal Vice-Mayor, Presiding Officer