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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

SANGGUNIANG BAYAN RESOLUTION NO. 26-06-229
Series of 2026

Sangguniang Panlalawigan
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A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CONDUCT OF LEGAL, TECHNICAL, FISCAL, AND DEMOGRAPHIC VALIDATION RELATIVE TO THE TERRITORIAL CONCERNS RAISED IN BARANGAY RESOLUTION NOS. 15 AND 16, SERIES OF 2026 OF BARANGAY GITABLA, BURAUEN, LEYTE, CREATING A JOINT TECHNICAL VALIDATION TEAM FOR THE PURPOSE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Barangay Gitabla, Burauen, Leyte enacted Barangay Resolution No. 15, Series of 2026 requesting the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to conduct a cadastral survey and technical verification of land parcels allegedly situated within the territorial jurisdiction of Burauen but reflected in certain records and supporting documents as being located within the Municipality of Julita, Leyte;

WHEREAS, Barangay Gitabla likewise enacted Barangay Resolution No. 16, Series of 2026 urging the appropriate authorities to hear and resolve the alleged territorial conflict involving Barangay Gitabla, Burauen and Barangay Gitabla, Julita, Leyte, citing its alleged effects on population statistics and National Tax Allotment (NTA) shares;

WHEREAS, said resolutions were referred to the Committee on Ethics, Rules, Laws and Regulations and the Committee on Zoning, Urban and Rural Development for study and recommendation;

WHEREAS, after review and deliberation, the Joint Committees found that the matters raised involve significant legal, technical, fiscal, and demographic concerns requiring verification and validation before any definitive action may be undertaken;

WHEREAS, the Joint Committees found that the records presently available do not sufficiently establish whether the controversy involves a cadastral or survey discrepancy, an assessment and taxation issue, a census or demographic delineation concern, a barangay boundary dispute, or a municipal boundary dispute;

WHEREAS, the Joint Committees further found that no geodetic verification, cadastral survey report, tax mapping certification, technical description, census delineation report, or legal opinion has yet been submitted sufficient to conclusively establish the nature and extent of the alleged territorial concern;

WHEREAS, the Joint Committees likewise found that, based on the records presently available, there is insufficient factual and technical basis to determine whether the controversy legally constitutes a boundary dispute within the contemplation of Sections 118 and 119 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991;

WHEREAS, the Joint Committees emphasized that conflicting land records, tax declarations, census records, or cadastral references do not by themselves establish the existence of a legal boundary dispute and that any future recommendation involving formal proceedings should be supported by verified legal and technical findings;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Bayan finds it necessary to establish an adequate factual and legal basis for any future action involving the territorial concerns raised by Barangay Gitabla and to ensure that any subsequent action is supported by competent technical and legal findings;

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made and seconded, be it:

RESOLVED, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, by the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, in session assembled, to **ACKNOWLEDGE** and **RECEIVE**, for appropriate action, Barangay Resolution No. 15, Series of 2026 and Barangay Resolution No. 16, Series of 2026 of Barangay Gitabla, Burauen, Leyte, copies of which are attached hereto as Annex "A" and Annex "B", respectively, and made integral parts hereof.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to **RESPECTFULLY REQUEST** the Municipal Mayor, through the Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator, Municipal Assessor, Municipal Engineer, and Municipal Treasurer, to undertake a preliminary technical and fiscal validation of the claims and matters raised in the aforesaid barangay resolutions.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to **RESPECTFULLY REQUEST** the Municipal Mayor to organize and coordinate a Joint Technical Validation Team and formally seek the participation of concerned national, provincial, municipal, and barangay offices in the conduct of the necessary validation relative to the territorial concerns raised in Barangay Resolution Nos. 15 and 16, Series of 2026 of Barangay Gitabla, Burauen, Leyte.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to **RESPECTFULLY REQUEST** the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Land Management Bureau (LMB), Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), Provincial Assessor's Office, Provincial Planning and Development Office, and other concerned agencies to provide technical assistance and participate in the validation process as may be necessary.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to **REQUEST** and **AUTHORIZE** the Joint Technical Validation Team to:

- a) Verify the actual location of the affected parcels of land;
- b) Examine tax declarations, survey plans, cadastral records, tax maps, technical descriptions, and other relevant documents;
- c) Determine the extent and nature of any discrepancy in land records and territorial references;
- d) Determine whether population and household or census records have been affected;
- e) Assess any impact on National Tax Allotment (NTA) shares, local revenues, planning, and service delivery; and
- f) Determine whether sufficient factual, technical, and legal basis exists to warrant the initiation of proceedings under Sections 118 and 119 of Republic Act No. 7160.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to **REQUEST** the Municipal Legal Officer to render a written legal opinion regarding the nature of the controversy and the applicable procedures under the Local Government Code of 1991 and other pertinent laws.

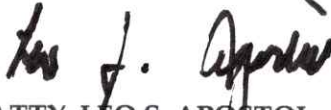
RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Comprehensive Technical Validation Report of the Joint Technical Validation Team and the Legal Opinion of the Municipal Legal Officer be submitted to the Office of the Municipal Mayor and the Sangguniang Bayan within sixty (60) days from the organization of the Joint Technical Validation Team.

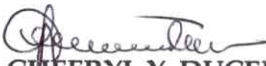
RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Municipal Mayor, Barangay Gitabla, Burauen, Leyte, the Municipal Planning and Development Office, Municipal Assessor's Office, Municipal Engineer's Office, Municipal Treasurer's Office, Municipal Legal Office, DENR-CENRO, Provincial Government of Leyte, Philippine Statistics Authority, and all other concerned offices for their information and appropriate action.

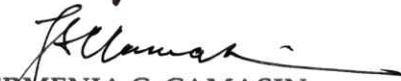
RESOLVED FINALLY, that any endorsement or referral of the matter to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan shall be deferred pending the completion of the foregoing validation and the submission of the corresponding findings and recommendations.

CARRIED AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY, this 1st day of June 2026, at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall, Burauen, Leyte.


HON. GEORGE BENSEN S. TAN
Sangguniang Bayan Member


ATTY. LEO S. APOSTOL
Sangguniang Bayan Member


HON. CHEERYL Y. DUCENTES
Sangguniang Bayan Member


HON. HERMENIA C. CAMASIN
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HON. SEAN T. CORDERO
Sangguniang Bayan Member


HON. ANDRES REY L. CAGARA
Sangguniang Bayan Member

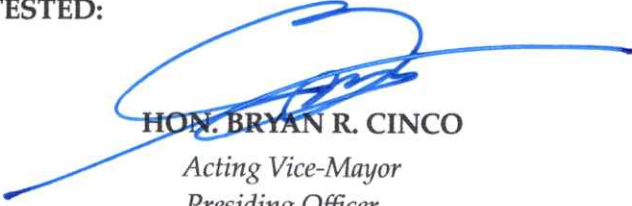

HON. MA. HAZEL E. RELATORRES
LnB Municipal Chapter President/ Ex-Officio SB Member


HON. JUSTINE MERP G. ANDRADE
PPSK President / Ex-Officio SB Member

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Resolution was approved by the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, during its 48th Regular Session held on June 1, 2026.


ATTY. JUDE JANE S. TAN
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


HON. BRYAN R. CINCO
Acting Vice-Mayor
Presiding Officer

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN
BURAEN, LEYTE

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DATE: 5/11/26 11:00 AM
NAME: CHARITY C. BARBOSA
Board Secretary II

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Barangay Gitabla



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BARANGAY

EXCERPTS FROM THE SPECIAL SESSION OF SANGGUNIANG BARANGAY OF BARANGAY GITABLA
BURAEN LEYTE HELD ON BARANGAY SESSION HALL ON APRIL 30 2026 AT 8:00 IN THE
MORNING.

PRESENT :HON.JOEBERT Q. MORABE	PUNONG BARANAGY
HON.TRINA PATRICIA P. LUCIANO	SANGGUNIANG BARANAGY MEMBER
HON.GENA R. DEL PILAR	SB MEMBER
HON.GERACLIO M. RIVAS	SB MEMBER
HON.MARY ANN E. ORBANEJA	SB MMEBER
HON.GARY F. FLAVIANO	SB MEMBER
HON.MARGIE C. MEJARES	SB MEMBER
HON.NIEL VINCENT MENDIOLA	SB MEMBER
HON.ECHIRO E. DEL PILAR	SK CHAIRPERSON

ABSENT : NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 15 2026

A RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BURAEN AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES { DENR } TO CONDUCT A CADASTRAL SURVEY IN BARANGAY GITABLA , BURAEN ,LEYTE, TO CORRECT THE DISCREPANCY WHEREIN LAND PARCELS PHYSICALLY LOCATED WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF BURAEN ARE ERRONEOUSLY ADDRESSED/REGISTERED UNDER THE MUNICIPALITY OF JULITA IN THEIR SUPPORTING LAND DOCUMENTS.

WHEREAS,Barangay Gitabla,Burauen, Leyte has identified several land parcels.

WHEREAS ,despite being physically situated in Burauen the supporting land documents of said parcels including Tax Declations ,and other Documents,erroneously indicate " Municipality of Julita " or Barangay Gitabla ,Julita as the address/location.

WHEREAS , The Real Property Taxes are being paid to and collected by the Municipality of Julita instead of Burauen;

WHEREAS ,the Sangguniang Barangay has determined that correcting this discrepancy through cadastral mapping is urgent to protect the territorial integrity of Burauen, secure rightful revenues, and provide legal certainty to affected landowners;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of kagawad Margie C. Mejares duly seconded by kagawad Mary E. Orbaneja;

BE IT RESOLVED ,AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,by the Sangguniang Barangay of
Gitabla,Burauen ,Leyte, in session assembled,to;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Sangguniang Bayan of
Burauen, for their information and appropriate action.

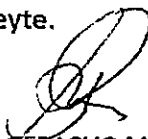
ADOPTED this 30th Day of April 2026 at Barangay Gitabla, Burauen ,Leyte.


HON. TRINA PATRICIA P. LUCIANO

SB MEMBER


HON. GENA R. DEL PILAR

SB MEMBER


HON. GERACLIO M. RIVAS

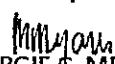
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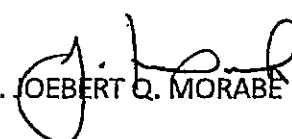
SK CHAIRPERSON

ATTESTED :


SUNSHINE S. PEREZ

Barangay Secretary

APPROVED:


HON. JOEBERT Q. MORABE

Punong Barangay

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ABSENT : NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 16 2026

A RESOLUTION URGENTLY URGING THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE, THROUGH THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BURAEN,TO IMMEDIATELY HEAR AND DECIDE THE BOUNDARY DISPUTE BETWEEN BARANGAY GITABLA, BURAEN AND BARANGAY GITABLA, JULITA ,LEYTE,CITING SUBSTANIAL DECREASE IN POPULATION AND NATIONAL TAX ALLOTMENT { NTA } SHARE SUFFERED BY BARANGAY GITABLA BURAEN DUE TO THE UNRESOLVED CONFLICT

WHEREAS, a long-standing boundary dispute exists between Barangay Gitabla, Burauen and Barangay Gitabla ,Julita.

WHEREAS, as a direct result of this unresolved boundary dispute of Barangay Gitabla Burauen decreases in population count based on latest census records and Barangay Household Profiling formerly counted under Barangay Gitabla Burauen are now being claimed and reported by Barangay Gitabla,Julita,causing a decrease from 2023 population to 2024 population.

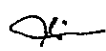
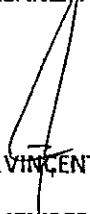
WHEREAS , the NTA share of barangays is computed based on population and land area.The loss of residents and consted land area has caused,the NTA of Barangay Gitabla Burauen severely affecting our capacity to deliver basic services;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of kagawad Niel Vincent Mendiola duly seconded by kagawad Gena R. Del Pilar;

BE IT RESOLVED AS IT HEREBY RESOLVED,by the Sangguniang Barangay of Gitabla,Burauen ,Leyte in session assembled, to;

RESOLVED FURTHER ,that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen for their information and appropriated action.

ADOPTED this 30th Day of April 2026 at Barangay Gitabla,Burauen ,Leyte.

 HON. TRINA PATRICIA P. LUCIANO SB MEMBER	 HON. GENA R. DEL PILAR SB MEMBER	 HON. GERACLIO M. RIVAS SB MEMBER
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ATTESTED :


SUNSHINE S. PEREZ
Barangay Secretary

APPROVED:


HON. JOEBERT Q. MORABE
Punong Barangay