



EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 53<sup>RD</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD (SP) HELD AT THE SP SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, EAST POBLACION, CITY OF NAGA, CEBU ON JULY 26, 2023.

**PRESENT:**

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| HON. VIRGILIO M. CHIONG     | - Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer  |
| HON. CLINT ISIDRO A. CHIONG | - Presiding Officer Pro Tempore |
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**ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:**

HON. SCOTT JUVENAL A. CHIONG - Assistant Majority Floor Leader/Liga ng mga Barangay President

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HON. CHARMAINE R. NAVARRO - Sangguniang Panlungsod Member

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-C-18**

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**AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING NARCISA “Narsing” REQUINTO AS CULTURE BEARER OF PASTORES DE NAGA**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

As in other communities, towns, cities and provinces, the City of Naga, Cebu and our townspeople, spearheaded by tourism and heritage advocates, have taken inventory of our tangible and intangible heritage.

Our city’s heritage, our connection and identification to activities, way of life and attributes of our ancestors – the early inhabitants of Naga, as well as events affecting Nagahanons in the distant and not so distant past, evolve into our identity as a Nagahanon community.

In keeping with the tradition the story of our pride of place – Naga Atong Garbo is not only told in plain narrative but through the visual presence of cultural heritage, among them the PASTORES DE NAGA, that saw witness to the religiosity, cultural arts, talents and skills of Nagahanons especially during advent and Christmas season.

It is worthy to note that PASTORES DE NAGA continues to be performed in present times, using the script and prescribed movements from generations past, is because of the mentorship of Nagahanon Narcisa “Narsing” Requinto.

Thus this representation, in behalf of the more than 135,000 townspeople of Naga, seek to officially recognizing Narcisa “Narsing” Requito as Culture Bearer of Pastores De Naga, through an appropriate legislative measure.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANNGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF NAGA, CEBU IN SESSION ASSEMBLED THAT:**

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE** - The Ordinance shall be known as the “**PASTORES CULTURAL BEARER ORDINANCE**”.

**SECTION 2. PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE** - It is the purpose/Objective of this Ordinance for the Local Government of the City of Naga, Cebu to recognize and preserve memorable and priceless cultural properties, visual arts, talents and skills that depict the way of life, religiosity, talent, good traits, business acumen and love of work of the local Nagahanon community’s forefathers.

**SECTION 3. PASTORES DE NAGA CULTURE BEARER** - Alongside cultural heritage efforts, the City Government seeks to recognize Culture Bearer/s - person/s responsible in teaching his/her craft, in this instance the PASTORES DE NAGA, to a group of learners and shall ensure that his /her students learn the craft, as defined by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA).

**SECTION 4. NARCISA REQUITO AS CULTURE BEARER** - The Pastores De Naga having been declared as Nagahanon Cultural Heritage, it is fitting to recognize the custodian of its script, movements and costumes, in the person of NARCISA “Narsing” REQUITO, the acknowledged leader, mentor and trainer of Pastores De Naga performance team, whose members complete a seven(7) year ‘Panaad’ or promise to be dedicated Pastores De Naga performers before they pursue other worthwhile life endeavors.

**SECTION 5. IMPLEMENTING OFFICE** - The City Information and Community Relations Department (CICRD) which is presently responsible for the city’s tourism and heritage development shall spearhead the efforts to enable Narsing Requito to continue her mentorship and train successors for Culture Leadership vis-à-vis Pastores De Naga, as may be endorsed by the City Tourism and Heritage Development Council and approved by the City Mayor and the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

Subject to the provisions of RA 10066, the City Government of Naga and Barangays Tagjaguimit and Naalad shall develop and motivate Pastores De Naga Culture Leaders.

**SECTION 6. FUNDING** - An amount of not less than one-tenth of one per cent (0.10%) of the City Government of Naga Annual Appropriations shall be allotted to heritage preservation and restoration, from which funding source the pertinent programs, projects and activities related to Pastores De Naga conservation and/or preservation efforts, including Culture Leadership, may be charged subject to procurement laws, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

**SECTION 7. REPEALING CLAUSE** - All ordinances, resolutions, orders and other related issuances or measures that are contrary to or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE** - If any part or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the other parts or provisions hereof.

**SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE** – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

**ENACTED BY** the 5<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga, Cebu, in its 53<sup>rd</sup> Regular Session held on July 26, 2023.

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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

  
**GERALDINE L. TAMPOS**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian-Designate

ATTESTED BY:

  
**VIRGILIO M. CHIONG**  
Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED BY:

  
**VALDEMAR M. CHIONG**  
City Mayor