



Republic of the Philippines
SANGGUNIANG BAYAN
Taytay, Rizal

DR. No. 2510-069

RESOLUTION NO. 66 series of 2025

A RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT FERDINAND ROMUALDEZ MARCOS JR. TO DECLARE, BY VIRTUE OF A PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION, FEBRUARY 16, 2026, AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TAYTAY, RIZAL IN CELEBRATION OF ITS “ARAW NG PASASALAMAT”: HAMAKA FESTIVAL

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WHEREAS, the Municipality of Taytay traditionally celebrates the “Araw ng Pasasalamat” every third week of February as an expression of collective gratitude for the blessings of the previous year, highlighted by the week-long HAMAKA Festival - an event that proudly promotes the local identity, craftsmanship, and culture of Taytay;

WHEREAS, the term “HAMAKA” represents the town’s heritage industries: HA for Hamba (woodworks), MA for Makina (sewing machines), and KA for Kabuhayan (livelihoods), earning Taytay the distinction of being the Garments and Woodworks Capital of the Philippines, and recognizing the many other livelihoods that keep Taytay thriving;

WHEREAS, historical records reflect that as early as 1945, various resolutions of the local council have recognized and affirmed the celebration of the town fiesta every third week of February - signifying the deep-rooted tradition and cultural relevance of the said festivity;

WHEREAS, in a Resolution dated January 10, 1960, the Municipal Mayor and the “Poder ng Barrios” formally recommended the declaration of the 3rd Sunday of February as the official town fiesta, with the Monday that follows as a special non-working day in the Municipality of Taytay;

WHEREAS, on January 14, 1975, the Municipal Council adopted another resolution affirming the aforementioned tradition, aligning the celebration with national policy to promote culture, local industry, and modest spending, and recognizing the third Sunday of February as a Thanksgiving Day for the town’s liberation during World War II;

WHEREAS, the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), through a letter dated 21 February 2016 and signed by then OIC-Chairperson Rene R. Escalante, expressed no objection to the declaration of the HAMAKA Festival as a special non-working holiday on the basis of its cultural significance;

WHEREAS, declaring February 16, 2026 as a special non-working holiday will allow students, educators, government and non-government employees, and local stakeholders, to meaningfully participate in the festivities and uphold the traditions that bind the community together;


WHEREAS, the Office of the President has previously acknowledged such requests, as evidenced by Proclamation No. 778 Series of 2025, declaring a special non-working holiday in Taytay in celebration of the HAMAKA Festival upon the endorsement of the local government unit;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, by the 13th Sangguniang Bayan of Taytay, Rizal, in session duly assembled, hereby RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT FERDINAND ROMUALDEZ MARCOS JR. TO DECLARE, BY VIRTUE OF A PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION, FEBRUARY 16, 2026, AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TAYTAY, RIZAL IN CELEBRATION OF ITS “ARAW NG PASASALAMAT”: HAMAKA FESTIVAL.

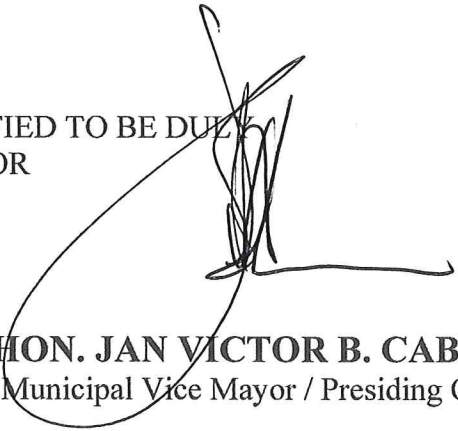
RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this Resolution and previous Presidential Proclamations issued by Malacañang, as reference, be furnished to the Office of the President and all concerned for their perusal and kind consideration.

ADOPTED, this 20th day of October 2025, 2:41 PM at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall, Municipality of Taytay, Province of Rizal.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, to the correctness of the foregoing Resolution which was duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Taytay on second reading on October 20, 2025 and was passed on third and final reading on October 20, 2025 during the 16th Regular Session held on the 20th day of October, 2025.


JULIETA M. JUANILLO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED TO BE DULY
ADOPTED BY HIS HONOR


HON. JAN VICTOR B. CABITAC
Municipal Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer