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CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the regular session duly constituted of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Pangasinan, held on November 12, 2018 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial ordinance was approved:

Authored by Vice Governor Jose Ferdinand Z. Calimlim, Jr.

PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 220-2018

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE PROVINCIAL CAPITOL BUILDING AS A NATIONAL HERITAGE SITE IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AND PROVIDING FUNDS FOR ITS PRESERVATION

WHEREAS, the Province of Pangasinan recognizes the inherent symbolism and historic and cultural significance of the Provincial Capitol, and further recognizes it as the Province's most important historic site and cultural resource;

WHEREAS, the Province of Pangasinan recognizes the need to continue to preserve, promote and protect the historic and cultural resources of the Province, beginning with the Provincial Capitol Building;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Capitol Building is replete with historic significance, its construction started in 1917 and was completed in 1918 during the American Colonial period. It had suffered the ravage of war during World War II but was reconstructed in 1949;

WHEREAS, the Filipino Heritage Festival, Inc., a grantee of the National Commission for Culture and the Arts, declared the Provincial Capitol Building as one of the eight Architectural Treasures of the Philippines due to its preserved and maintained neoclassical architectural beauty and prestige;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Capitol Building will mark its 100 years of significant existence in 2018 not only as the past and present seat of the Provincial Government but also as a structure filled with historic and aesthetic values;





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WHEREAS, in order to commemorate and immortalize the significant historical and cultural milestone of the Provincial Capitol Building's 100 years of history and culture, there is an essential need to declare it as a heritage site in the Province of Pangasinan;

WHEREAS, one of the main thrusts of the provincial government of Pangasinan is to work for the promotion, enhancement and preservation of its historical and cultural resources and heritage to further complement the boost of tourism industry in the Province;

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, on motion of Vice Governor Jose Ferdinand Z. Calimlim, Jr., duly seconded, it was -

Be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled:

SECTION 1. TITLE. – This Ordinance shall be known as "AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE PROVINCIAL CAPITOL BUILDING AS A NATIONAL HERITAGE SITE IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AND PROVIDING FUNDS FOR ITS PRESERVATION".

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY - The Provincial Government of Pangasinan, in pursuance to Section 16 of the Local Government Code and Provincial Ordinance No. 126-2007 of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, must adopt measures to promote and protect its history, culture and heritage by preserving and maintaining one of its historic buildings.

SECTION 3. PURPOSE – This Ordinance has for its purpose to maintain, preserve and conserve structures, landmarks and sites with historic significance and importance in the Province of Pangasinan, more particularly the Provincial Capitol Building.

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS

- 1. Provincial Capitol Building a building owned by the Provincial Government located in the Municipality of Lingayen, Pangasinan in which the functions of the executive and legislative branches are carried out.
- 2. National Heritage Site any building, structure, object or site designated as a Heritage Property found to be worthy of preservation because of its historical, architectural or artistic merit.
- 3. Preservation the act or process of applying measures necessary to sustain the existing form, integrity and materials of an historic property.





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> SECTION 5. **ENFORCEMENT** – The Technical Working Group (TWG) created by the Office of the Provincial Governor shall be responsible to monitor and supervise the maintenance and preservation of the Provincial Capitol Building as a National Heritage Site.

> SECTION 6. ALLOCATION OF FUNDS – The Province shall allocate annual funds necessary for the preservation of the Provincial Capitol Building as a National Heritage Site.

> SECTION 7. PENAL CLAUSE - A penalty of not less than Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,500.00) but not more than Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) shall be imposed upon any person who shall vandalize, deface or damage the Provincial Capitol Building and to shoulder the cost for the restoration of the same to its original state.

> SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE - All existing ordinances, executive orders, implementing rules and regulations, resolutions or parts thereof of this Province inconsistent with the provision of this Ordinance is deemed repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

> SECTION 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - If any portion of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions hereof which are not affected, shall continue in full force and effect.

> **SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY** – This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval and after publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

> > **CERTIFIED BY**

Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

JOSE FERDINAND LIMLIM, JR. Vice Go

(Presiding Officer)

APPROVED:

O I. ESPINO III

Governor