



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 6931

BY REPRESENTATIVES REVILLA (R.J.) AND REVILLA (B.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 285

AN ACT

DECLARING THE IMMEDIATE ENVIRONS OF THE SAN ROQUE PARISH CHURCH, ALSO KNOWN AS THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF NUESTRA SEÑORA DELA SOLEDAD DE PORTA VAGA, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF CAVITE, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, A TOURISM DESTINATION

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1 **SECTION 1.** The immediate environs of the San Roque Parish Church, also known
2 as the Diocesan Shrine of Nuestra Señora Dela Soledad De Porta Vaga, located in the City of
3 Cavite, Province of Cavite, are hereby declared a tourism destination. Pursuant thereto, its
4 development shall be prioritized and supported by the Department of Tourism (DOT), subject
5 to the rules and regulations governing the development of tourism destinations.

6 **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the local government of the
7 City of Cavite shall, in coordination with the DOT, Department of Public Works and
8 Highways, National Historical Commission of the Philippines and concerned agencies of the
9 government, prepare a tourism development plan that shall include the construction,
10 installation and maintenance of such appropriate infrastructure and facilities to improve the
11 overall features of the immediate environs surrounding the San Roque Parish Church, thereby
12 ensuring its accessibility and the security of tourists: *Provided,* That said development plan

1 shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the historical significance of the area:
2 *Provided, further,* That the implementation of the tourism development plan shall be included
3 in the budget of the local government of the City of Cavite.

4 **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall assist the local government of the City of Cavite in the
5 implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in tourism
6 capacity building. It shall also include the immediate environs of the San Roque Parish
7 Church in its national and regional promotion programs.

8 **SEC. 4.** The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual
9 budget of the local government of the City of Cavite. The DOT may augment such allocation
10 with internally-generated funds.

11 **SEC. 5.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the local government of
12 the City of Cavite shall, in consultation with the DOT and concerned agencies of the
13 government, promulgate rules and regulations to implement this Act.

14 **SEC. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
15 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,