

P2.488-B DIVIDENDS IN 2024

CDC posts P5.5-B under BBM



Finance Secretary Ralph Recto is presented symbolic remittance cheque of P2.488-B by CDC PCEO Atty. Agnes VST Devanadera and chairman Atty. Edgardo Pamintuan. **PHOTO: CDC**

CLARK FREEPORT — A total of **₱5.5 billion** in cash dividends has been remitted by the Clark Development Corp. to the national government over the past three years, in compliance with RA 7656 or the “Dividend Law.”

The state firm’s latest remittance of **₱2.488 billion** for dividend year 2024 was turned over to the Bureau of the Treasury on May 14, said CDC president and CEO Atty. Agnes VST Devanadera, adding that the amount represents 71% of CDC’s audited net income for the year and marks a 38% increase from the **₱1.8 billion** remitted in 2023. In 2022, CDC remitted **₱1.21 billion**, bringing the total dividends declared under the administration of President Ferdinand R.

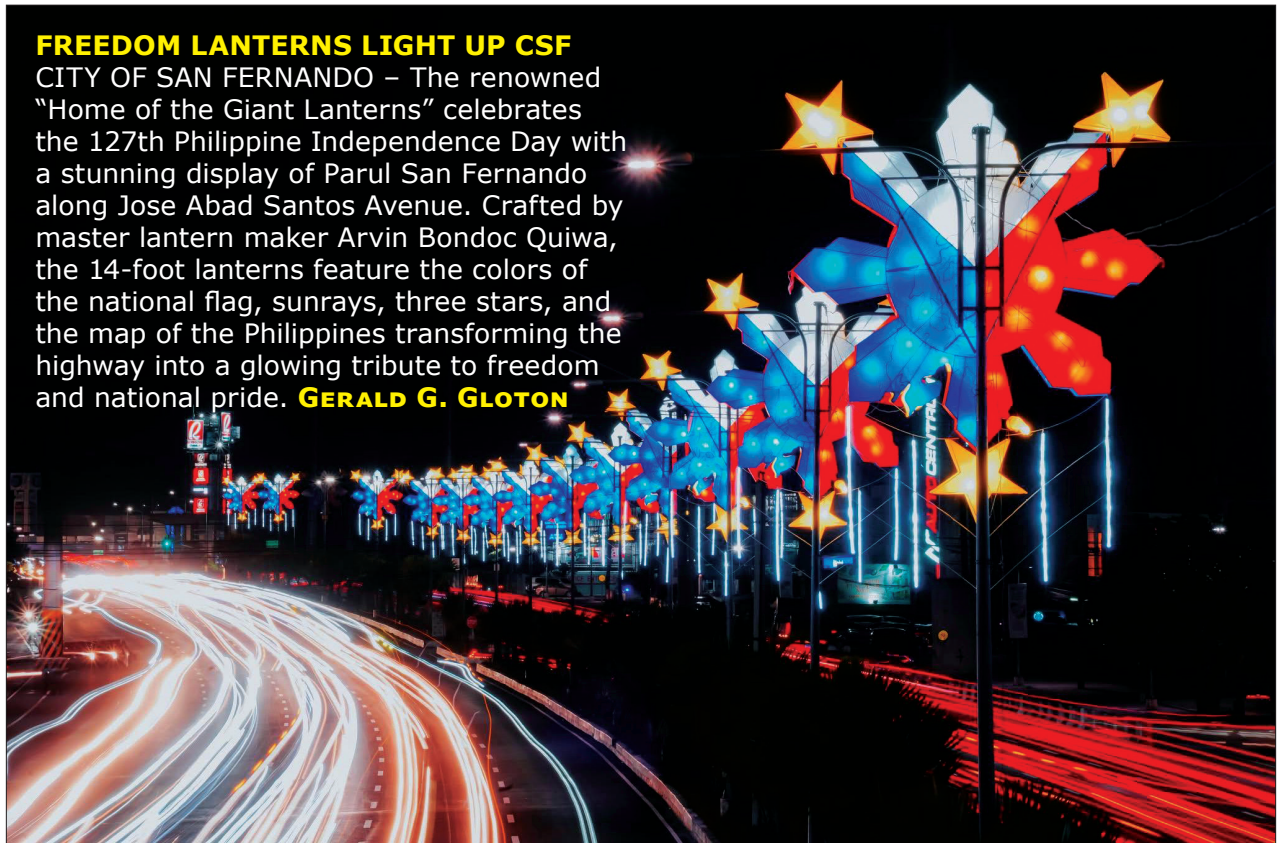
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Peace council cites Gov Delta for exemplary leadership

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO -- The Pampanga Provincial Peace and Order Council (PPOC) has commended Gov. Dennis “Delta” Pineda for outstanding leadership and unwavering commitment during his six-year tenure as council chairperson.

During the PPOC’s second quarterly meeting held Friday, May 23, at the Kingsborough International Convention Center here, Department of the Interior and Local Government-Pampanga director Myra Moral-Soriano presented a plaque of appreciation to the governor on behalf of the council.

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FREEDOM LANTERNS LIGHT UP CSF
CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – The renowned “Home of the Giant Lanterns” celebrates the 127th Philippine Independence Day with a stunning display of Parul San Fernando along Jose Abad Santos Avenue. Crafted by master lantern maker Arvin Bondoc Quiwa, the 14-foot lanterns feature the colors of the national flag, sunrays, three stars, and the map of the Philippines transforming the highway into a glowing tribute to freedom and national pride. **GERALD G. GLOTON**

BYD Philippines opens Subic branch

BY MALOU DUNGOG

SUBIC BAY FREEPORT – In line with its thrust to make this premier freeport a carbon-neutral economic zone by 2030, the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority opened its doors to BYD Philippines with its newest branch here. During its grand opening on May 19, SBMA chairman and administrator Eduardo Jose L. Aliño said that the opening of China’s leading electric vehicle maker here solidifies the stance of the agency in making Subic Freeport carbon-neutral. He added that the Harmony

Auto Philippines-operated branch of BYD will certainly sell a huge volume of electric vehicles that will significantly reduce harmful emissions, while making this premier freeport its home. The BYD Subic Branch offers consumers an option for owning a vehicle that is eco-friendly and energy-efficient. The showroom cum service center offers the newest and the latest electric vehicles to residents of Central Luzon. Aliño, BYD Philippines country head Adam Hu, BYD Cars Philippines managing director Bob Palanca, and

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At the lighting ceremony to signal the opening of the BYD showroom and service center are (L-R) Olongapo Mayor Rolan Paulino Jr., BYD Cars Philippines managing director Bob Palanca, Congressman Albert S. Garcia, BYD Philippines country head Adam Hu, SBMA chairman Eduardo Jose L. Aliño, Hermosa Bataan Mayor Joseph Inton, and other guests. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

Baylon files protest vs. Nanay

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – Losing Pampanga gubernatorial candidate Danilo Baylon has filed an election protest before the Commission on Elections claiming irregularities in the 2025 midterm elections.

“We believe that if the elections have been clean and the automated election system has really performed, we believe that Danilo Baylon would have won. This is based on pre-election surveys that were repeatedly conducted. That’s why we were very surprised with the outcome of the elections,” said Atty. Ernesto Francisco, legal counsel of Baylon, in a media interview on May 23 after filing the election protest.

Official results showed incumbent Vice Gov. Lilia “Nanay” Pineda won the gubernatorial race with

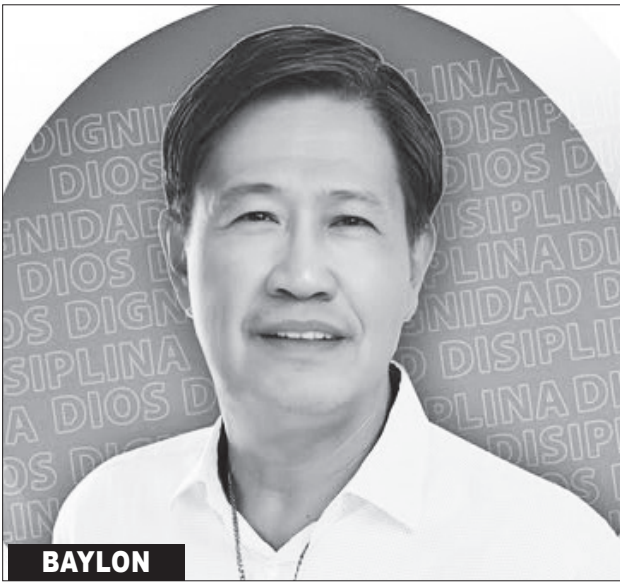
a total of 709,694 votes against Baylon’s 476,642 votes.

The election protest also questioned the integrity of the automated counting machines.

“If you look at the affidavit that we submitted, these are supposedly very new machines. But why is it that there were repeated malfunctioning, all kinds of malfunctioning. We were surprised when we gathered testimonies of witnesses that many of them witnessed malfunctioning of the machines,” noted Francisco.

He said the Baylon camp is contesting all precincts in the province for a manual recount.

“The province of the Pampanga should be the test case if the automated election system that was recently introduced really worked,” Francisco replied when asked why a manual



BAYLON
PHOTO BY ATTY. ERNESTO FRANCISCO

recount is significant for the protest.

Francisco also called on Comelec chairman George Garcia to inhibit himself from any election matter concerning the Pampanga province, citing Garcia’s being a

“long-time lawyer” of the Pineda family.

Garcia was Pineda’s lawyer in her own election protest against proclaimed gubernatorial winner Eddie Panlilian in 2007. Pineda was declared the “real winner” by the Comelec in 2010, a few months before the elections that year.

Asked to comment on Francisco’s call, Garcia said that there is no need for the appeal to be asked.

“I always recuse/inhibit myself from any case of which I have previous professional relationships with a party/ies,” Garcia told INQUIRER.net in a Viber message.

2022 redux
Losing the gubernatorial contest to Dennis
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NE cops deployed for poll duties in Mindanao get heroes’ welcome

BY ARMAND M. GALANG

CABANATUAN CITY – Members of the Nueva Ecija Provincial Police Office who were deployed in Mindanao areas during the May 2025 national and local elections were accorded heroes’ welcome at the provincial headquarters here on May 26.

NEPPC director Col. Ferdinand D. Germino said a ceremonial salute from the command group, staff and the men and women of NEPPC, was a fitting tribute as a “gesture of gratitude and respect” to the cops’ bravery and dedication to service.

A total of 25 police officers were deployed to the Municipality of Buldon, Maguindanao del Norte, where they served as area security forces amid a volatile and sensitive electoral atmosphere.

In his message, Germino expressed his deep appreciation for the troops’ commitment and valor during their deployment. “You were sent far from

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Election protest filed vs. Vilma, Mylyn seeks manual recount

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – Backed by some 13,000 affidavits of voters mostly claiming that their votes did not match the results from the automatic counting machines, an election protest was filed May 22 before the Commission on Elections to call for a manual recount of votes of the 2025 midterm elections in this city.

Attorneys Jep Miranda and Arnold Bayubay, legal counsels to protestant Mylyn Pineda-Cayabyab, filed the protest versus Mayor

Vilma Balle-Caluag before the Comelec Law Department and Records Section at the election body’s main office in Intramuros, Manila.

The protest calls for a manual recount of all ballots cast in the city’s 239 precincts, citing the “statistically improbable voting pattern - most notably the unprecedented and highly unlikely outcome in which Pineda-Cayabyab did not even win a single precinct.”

Coupled with allegedly consistent vote misattribution across varying

voting demographics, the cited statistical improbability “strongly suggests digital scaling or manipulation in favor of the presumptive winners.”

The protest also demanded the immediate safeguarding of all election documents and data storage devices to prevent tampering and ensure full transparency

“This is not merely a protest against election results - this is a stand against the erosion of our democracy,” Pineda-Cayabyab declared. “No

candidate, regardless of political power, should override the sacred right of citizens to choose their leaders freely and fairly.”

“We are determined to seek justice not just for my candidacy, but for every disenfranchised voter whose voice was silenced,” she added.

The Comelec has also been urged “to act with urgency and impartiality in addressing this protest to restore public confidence in the electoral system.”

Two in Pineda-Cayabyab’s losing council

slate, namely Kristel “Ato” Agustin and Tin “Kings” Chua, also filed their

respective electoral protest. **Punto News Team/Contributed photos**



Atty. Jep Miranda shows Comelec-received copy of election protest. Other photo shows Boxes of documents serving as exhibits to the case deposited at the Comelec.

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ArenaPlus representative accepting the award as ALL-STAR Magazine's Leading Sportsbook Partner



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ARENAPLUS, the country's most trusted name in sports betting, was recognized as the Leading Sportsbook Partner during the anniversary celebration of ALL-STAR Magazine held on May 17. This recognition underscores ArenaPlus' growing

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During its first-year anniversary celebration, ALL-STAR Magazine highlighted the milestones of the past year and celebrated its meaningful partnerships with top sports personalities and leading advertisers in the country.

Set to a hip-hop and rock theme, the celebration featured performances from live bands and solo acts, including rising artist Fern from Universal Music Group. Adding to the excitement, ArenaPlus hosted a branded game segment titled "Astig sa Sports: ALL-STAR Reveal", where lucky participants were rewarded with ArenaPlus sports vouchers.

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To the Point

Rise above political alliances, self-interests

“NO ONE can dictate the outcome of impeachment proceedings. These lie within the Senate’s constitutional mandate. With this, senators must rise above political alliances and personal interests, and base their decisions on credible and reliable evidence.”

Thus, think tank Stratbase Institute president Dindo Manhit challenged senators who shall act as judges in the impeachment proceedings against Vice President Sara Duterte.

This, as reminded them that their loyalty is “not to certain personalities or allies—but to the Filipino people.”

In his statement over the weekend, Manhit also underscored the imperative of public accountability in maintaining political stability.

“Accountability is the foundation of stable and credible institutions. Without it, there will be no public trust. The strength of our democracy lies in how well we hold those in power to account. This is how we create lasting political stability,” he noted, adding that “the strength of our institutions is measured not by the authority, but by how openly and honestly authorities can be questioned, corrected, and held accountable for their actions.”

Rule of law

“COME FORWARD and uphold the rule of law.”

Geopolitical expert Richard Heydarian also called for the senators to manifest the rules-based order that should be reflected during the impeachment process.

“The mechanics of the trial matters. The trial has to be seen as credible. The people involved in the trial have to be credible. And the people in the trial have to make sure that when they point out corruption and all, it has to be fair, meaning it looks at culpability on all levels; it doesn’t fundamentally undermine faith in the entire system,” Heydarian said in the same Stratbase statement.

On June 3, the Senate will convene as an impeachment court for the purpose of issuing the summons and other relevant orders related to Duterte’s impeachment.

Duterte is accused of bribery, graft, corruption and culpable violation of the Constitution in connection with the alleged misuse of up to P612 million in confidential funds of her office and that of the Department of Education, which she led from 2022 to 2024.

The impeachment trial was scheduled to start on July 30 under the new Congress, based on the initial timetable provided by Escudero.

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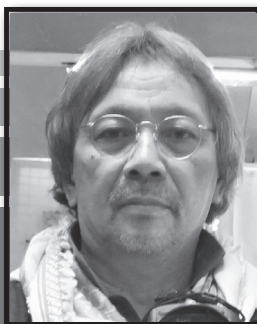


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Déjà vu, 2007

STACKED BOXES reportedly containing 13,000 affidavits of voters claiming that what they shaded in their ballots did not match the results from the automatic counting machines impacted the gravity of the election protest Mylyn Pineda-Cayabyab filed against Mayor Vilma Balle-Caluag.

This, the protestant’s lawyer himself, Atty. Jep Miranda, conveyed upon filing the case at the Comelec Central Office on May 22.

The protest is grounded on: 1) the statistically improbable voting pattern - most notably the unprecedented and highly unlikely outcome in which Pineda-Cayabyab did not even win a single precinct; and 2) consistent vote misattribution across varying voting demographics, strongly suggesting digital scaling or manipulation in favor of the presumptive winners.

A manual recount of all ballots cast in the city’s 239 precincts is therefore prayed for. To determine, beyond any iota of doubt, if indeed the proclaimed winner is the genuine winner.

Reading the news demisted senescent memory of an electoral similarity a short 18 years back, albeit on the provincial level.

Riding on the high horse of morality, suspended priest Among Ed Panlilio was proclaimed by the Comelec as winner of the gubernatorial race in May 2007 by a margin of 1,147 votes over then-board member Lilia “Nanay Baby” Pineda.

Citing misappreciation of the ballots by the board of election inspectors, the Pineda camp filed an election protest. It was claimed that ballots containing votes cast for “Nanay Baby” were not credited to Pineda although such nickname was registered with the Comelec as her nickname.

In February 2010, the Second Division of the Comelec ordered Panlilio to step down from the Pampanga governorship after a recount found that Pineda garnered 190,729 votes against Panlilio’s 188,718, or a margin of 2,011.

“We find sufficient merits in this election protest case. The division hereby resolves that the protestant Pineda is the duly elected governor of the province of Pampanga after review and examination of the contested ballots in this election protest,” the Second Division’s over 11,000 pages long resolution stated.

Panlilio though managed to hold on to office, availing himself of legal remedies. And helped by no small measure by Pineda’s let-him-finish-the-term nonchalance given the upcoming 2010 elections.

The correctness of the

Comelec action proclaiming Pineda as the “real winner” in the 2007 gubernatorial contest was affirmed in the 2010 Panlilio-Pineda rematch: the unseated governor losing to Nanay by a whopping 230,000 votes.

This was reaffirmed further in their 2013 rivalry with Nanay garnering 507,407 votes against Panlilio’s 125,407.

Figurative and literal, Panlilio’s election returns diminished after each contest he entered. In his most recent aspiration for vice governor, he managed to achieve the highest number of votes ever in elections he entered – 387,056. Unfortunately, 364,021 short of even just levelling with Dennis “Delta” Pineda’s avalanching 751,077 votes.

So, how will all these figure now in the protest case at hand?

Of the demystified proverbial lightning striking for the Pineda’s twice? As with Nanay – the misappropriation of ballots corrected, so with Mylyn – the misattribution of votes righted? And all electoral victory for her thereafter?

I don’t know. It’s purely a sense of déjà vu to this old man. A strong one at that.

COMMENTARY

Tayo ay naghain ng protesta sa Comelec ngayong araw na ito para mabigyan ng linaw at mabigyan ng kasagutan ang mga katanungan, mabigyang linaw ang mga nakapagtataakang resulta sa halalan at para pakinggan ang hiling ng ating mga supporters at maraming mga Fernandino na kumpirmahin ang lumabas na resulta sa halalan.

Hindi po pweding hindi ako gumawa ng legal na hakbang sa usaping ito.

Ito ay parte pa rin ng proseso ng eleksyon at demokrasya sa ating bansa kaya wag po sana natin itong masamain.

Sana po ay maintindihan ninyo na bilang kumakandidatong Mayor sa San Fernando, meron po tayong karapatan na dumulog sa Comelec para mabigyan ang hinihingi nating manual recount of votes.

Gayundin po, obligasyon rin po natin na siguruhing mabilang ng tama ang lahat ng mga boto ng ating mga kababayan.

Kami po ay maghihintay na lamang sa desisyon ng Comelec ukol sa usaping ito.

Muli po, maraming salamat sa inyo.

Mylyn Pineda-Cayabyab
Former Mayoral Candidate, City of San Fernando (P)



“Do not wait; the time will never be ‘just right.’ Start where you stand, and work with whatever tools you may have at your command, and better tools will be found as you go along.”

--GEORGE HERBERT



Opinion

Shepherd's Call

Pablo Virgilio Cardinal David

The Spirit in Us: Partners in Mission

THANK YOU all for your prayers, I have just returned home safely from Rome. I stayed there for almost one month to attend the funeral of our late Holy Father, Pope Francis, and to participate in the meetings of the College of Cardinals in preparation for the conclave and the election and inauguration of a new pope.

Thanks be to God for the election of Pope Leo XIV, in the person of Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost.

On this Sixth Sunday of Easter, I would like to share a reflection on how I experienced the guidance of the Holy Spirit during the Conclave. Someone had asked me, "Isn't the Conclave just like any other election? You cardinals are the ones who chose the new pope. So how can you say that it was the Holy Spirit who elected him?"

That's a fair question. It's true—we were the ones who voted. But I can personally attest to how the Holy Spirit moved in our deliberations and decisions. (Of course, I can't share any details—those are under strict secrecy, and I wouldn't want to be excommunicated!) As I've said before, it's not like any regular election where candidates campaign and seek votes. People tend to project onto the conclave what they know of political elections—often tainted with human weaknesses like fraud or vote-buying. But I did not experience any of that.

There were discussions—but these were meant to help us understand the immense responsibilities of the one we were to elect. It took two weeks of deep conversations. And if you had heard what I heard, you'd probably also say: only someone crazy would aspire to take on a role with such a tremendous burden. It's truly daunting.

In fact, many cardinals

expressed something like this before we entered the Sistine Chapel: "God already knows whom He wants to choose—but we don't yet. We need to pray and discern so we can recognize that person. He's already among us. And to whoever you are, if you are the one chosen, don't refuse. Accept it. We're all here—we'll support you. You can count on our collaboration."

Although the details of the Conclave remain confidential, I can say with conviction that the entire process was carried out in the guidance of the Holy Spirit, because it was marked by silence, prayer, and a sincere effort to discern God's will. (Even the act of casting our ballots took more than an hour in complete silence—each one of us lined up to drop the ballot in the urn, praying in front of Michelangelo's fresco of the Last Judgment.)

At every stage, I felt the gentle whisper of the Spirit encouraging us to trust and to listen. But the Spirit did not dictate or override us—we had to cooperate. He moved through our openness, our capacity to listen, and our willingness to serve in unity and humility. We were not automatons; we were human instruments cooperating with the Spirit.

As we heard in today's First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, when the early Church resolved a crisis between Jewish and Gentile Christians, they said: "It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us." This shows that, after intense dialogue and discernment,

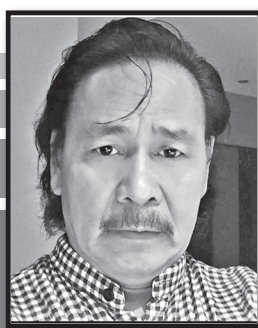
they were convinced their decision reflected God's will. That was also our experience in choosing the new pope—a movement of the Spirit that worked with our minds, hearts, and faith to accomplish God's will for the Church.

With this in mind, I invite you to reflect on how the Holy Spirit continues to guide each of us—especially in the important decisions we make as a community of baptized believers. We are not alone. This is the assurance that Jesus gave His disciples before He left them: that the Spirit would remain with them, to teach and remind them of everything He had said.

This also applies to the major decisions we make in our lives—personally, as families, and as communities. It is the same spirit behind the Synod on Synodality, championed by the late Pope Francis and the bishops of the world. It calls us to journey together, to be open in listening and speaking, to engage in "conversations in the Spirit"—that is, to listen attentively to one another under the light of the Holy Spirit, so that our decisions as Church are fruits of true discernment.

When we make decisions in this way—grounded in prayer and attentive listening to the Spirit—we walk together in deeper unity and become more faithful to our shared mission as Church.

(Homily for the 6th Sunday of Easter, 25 May 2025, Readings: Acts 15:1–2, 22–29; Revelation 21:10–14, 22–23; John 14:23–29)



Napag-uusapan Lang

Marvel V. Garcia

I Judas at ding maghudas-hudas

1. Ken mung atlung pulu a pirasung pilak Guinung Hesukristo pisali neng Judas dapot ketang kayang, kataksilang depat pignisia' nang lubus, at piniawad tawad
2. Marahil pauli ning sobra nang dine karing apostoles niting akayabe mas pinili na ing kareti miwale kapamilata'ning pamagpakamate
3. Mekad aisip na, ala na ring sangkan a mie ya pa uling sira ne dangalan at ing tiwala ring kayang kayabiayan e na na abalik, baski pa kapilan
4. Nanan na pin naman, ing kumabie ya pa nung e no matula ring abe na kaya lunto na ing ala yang delikadesa nung pamilit ne pa itang sarili na
5. Samantalang detang, taksil king balayan a nanapnap ketang, lama'na ning kaban o retang mabibie, kambe ring lamirang mulalang butanting, mibabayaranan
6. Mayap ne man palang e palak i Judas king kataksila'na, daka'lang miligtas o ring pulitiku a memanarampas uli ra daka'lang dungus ding mangaplas
7. Ot ayamyam na ning karelang kunsensiya panganyaya ro ring migtiwalang masa king makakasnu a kararaptanan da I Judas kareti e tumud balandra
8. Ding memalen ila ring magsakripisyu a waring mamusang kurus king kalbaryu kabang ding hudas king kekatang gubyernu magpakasasa la king karelang pwestu
9. Angga ta na ketang, talapusan kurus a malambat-lambat ta na ring guguyud tinggap tang parusa ume yang mapupus potang mate ta na king milalung danup
10. Deti sanang hudas karing manungkulan pati ring butanting, miki-kahudasan aisip da sanang mamagbigti no ngan ba ta nang mikabus kening kasakitan



Opinion

Ad Lib

Rey Yumang

Satisfaction or reluctance?

THE RESULTS of the May midterm elections in Pampanga offer a complex and truly contradictory picture. On one hand, the 12-0 victory of Vilma Caluag in the City of San Fernando is considered by many as a symbolic rejection of another Pineda candidate. On the other hand, the landslide victory of the mother-and-son tandem of Lilia "Nanay" Pineda and Dennis "Delta" Pineda for the nth time, is yet another showing of an overwhelming support for the Pinedas. These results have sparked debate not just about political choices—but also about the way we judge voters themselves.

Some political pundits have been quick to liken the Fernandinos with the Pasigueños, labelling them as intelligent and wise voters who clamor for new leadership, transparency and meaningful changes. In contrast and maybe out of frustration, they dismiss the rest of the Kapampangans as "bobotantes." Frankly, I find this a deeply unfair and problematic generalization because this double standard reflects a classist and urban-centric mindset that fails to understand the multi-faceted nuances behind voter behavior in rural areas.

Living in a more urbanized and economically active city, the Fernandinos obviously have

greater access to information, are more exposed to alternative narratives, and are more likely to question dynastic power. Caluag's win is admittedly a hopeful sign—but one that should not be used to disparage others who made different choices.

Did the voters outside of San Fernando support the Pinedas out of blind loyalty, or from a sense of satisfaction and practical trust? After all, there is more than a grain of truth to the observation that for years, the Pinedas have maintained an active, strong and consistent presence on the ground. Their quick responses in times of calamity, various forms of financial assistance, and social

services that reach even the most remote barangays are more than and beyond than most politicians ever provide. For these voters, supporting them is a vote for continuity, not ignorance.

During our Leni-Kiko house-to-house campaign in 2022 and in my recent Kiko-Bam-Heidi-Luke-Teddy personal "crusade," I have met and talked to a number of people who supported my national choices but still went for the Pinedas. Their reason may be too simplistic or even short-term for some; but to them it is based on actual and verified experiences either of their own, or of people they know from their respective communities. These

are testimonies they have seen and witnessed for themselves, or have experienced themselves, and not from some press release or a video narrative posted only to hype their popularity during the campaign season. How can we actually debunk these claims and convince voters they have other choices when they have always been assured of a continuity of all these programs?

When we criticize the Kapampangans outside San Fernando as "bobotantes," we do not only undermine democracy. In fact, we also alienate the very same people we should be engaging in conversations about political awareness and reform. Change doesn't happen by shaming voters—it happens by understanding them, listening to their needs, and offering credible alternatives.

The contradiction between the results in the City of San Fernando

and the province of Pampanga also points to a deeper issue: real political change cannot be declared based on one city's vote. While there are sparks of reformist sentiment, especially in urban centers, they remain scattered and inconsistent across the province. The vote in San Fernando may be the beginning of a shift—but it is far from a revolution.

The election results in Pampanga tell a story not of ignorance, but of differing priorities: satisfaction in some areas, reluctance in others. If we want a more informed and united electorate, we must first learn to speak respectfully to people across those divides.

The Fernandinos may have spoken already but have the rest of the Kapampangans really spoken? The answer may be yes, but the message is clearly mixed. As for those who hope for real change, the work has only just begun.

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before Notary Public Peter Anthony T. Mallari, as per Doc. No. 301, Page No. 61, Book No. LXV, Series of 2025.

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Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPOUSES HARRY PARAJAS ROSARIO** and **GREGORIA PARAS ROSARIO** who died on September 2, 2005 in Angeles City, Pampanga, and July 9, 2020 in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 3, Block 18 of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-27625, being a portion of the parcel of land described in T.C.T. No. 33946-R, (LRC) GLRO Record No. 8714), situated in the Barrio of Sto. Domingo, Municipality of Angeles, Province of Pampanga; containing an area of Four Hundred Fifty (450) Square meters; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 56389; before Notary Public Rochelle V. Lorenzo, as per Doc. No. 541, Page No. 34, Book No. XIX, Series of 2025, DS # 03937404.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 12, 19 & 26, 2025

NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **ONRUBIA MIRANDA BALINGIT**, of legal age, Filipino citizen, married to Felipe V. Balingit, and a resident of No. 12 Aquino Street, DAVSAN Subd., City of San Fernando, Pampanga; and heirs of **ALEJANDRO C. MIRANDA** who died on March 10, 2023 in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication Re: With Improvement on his/her estate; and that the deceased left a certain parcel of land with an area of only 310 square meters, located in San Jose, San Fernando, Pampanga, denominated as Lot 1, Block 62, and described under TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2016003224 of the Registry of Deeds of Pampanga; before Notary Public Carlota Dela-Cruz Manalo, as per Doc. No. 152, Page No. 32, Book No. 107, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 12, 19 & 26, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **RONALD LIWANAG** who died on September 4, 2017 at Magalang Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Deed of Absolute Sale on his estate; and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 045-2023013646
Registry of Deeds for Angeles City

LOT: F-8, PLAN NO: PSD-03-267058
PORTION OF LOT: LOT NO. F, PSD-03-077394 (AR)
LOCATION: BARANGAY OF TALIMUNDOK/SAN AGUSTIN,
MUNICIPALITY OF MAGALANG, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA
AREA: ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY THREE (1,293) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.

before Notary Public Leila Mae M. Estabillo, as per Doc. No. 491, Page No. 100, Book No. CIV, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 19, 26 & June 2, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPS. CRESENCIO Q. SERRANO** who died on June 30, 2022 and **PRISCILLA T. SERRANO** who died on April 20, 2023 both died in Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and that during the lifetime they acquired a residential lot with improvements built thereon which is situated at 1515 A. Pineda St., Brgy. Claro M. Recto, Angeles City, containing an area of One Hundred Fifty (150) square meters, more or less, and is covered by TCT No. 34648; before Notary Public Reydon P. Canlas, as per Doc. No. 329, Page No. 103, Book No. 90, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 19, 26 & June 2, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ANASTACIO BENITEZ SISON** who died on November 22, 2008 at 775 Orchid Street, Greenhills Village, San Agustin, City of San Fernando, Pampanga and **CARMEN MANALO SISON** who died on October 5, 2019 at 775 Orchid Street, Greenhills Village, San Agustin, City of San Fernando, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 2-F of the subd., plan (LRC) Psd-100658, being a portion of Lot 2 (LRC) Psd-68477, LRC Cad. Rec. No. 1450, situated in the Barrio of San Agustin, Mun. of San Fernando, Prov. of Pampanga; containing an area of Three Hundred Fifty (350), square meters and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 148982-R Registry of Deeds for the Province of Pampanga; before Notary Public Carlota Dela Cruz-Manalo, as per Doc. No. 442, Page No. 90, Book No. 107, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 19, 26 & June 2, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **EDUARDO ANICETA MANALANG** who died on October 21, 2012 at Macabebe, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land Lot 11, Blk. 130, Phase III-E, situated in Mexico Arayat Resettlement Site, Arayat/Mexico, Pampanga; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 433805-R; before Notary Public Peter Anthony T. Mallari, as per Doc. No. 109, Page No. 22, Book No. LVIII, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 19, 26 & June 2, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **MARVIN V. PAULE** who died on December 20, 2020 at Rosario Hospital, Guagua, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot No. 5869 of the Cadastral Survey of Lubao, Cad. Case No. 41, L.R.C. Cad. Rec. No. 1769), situated in the Mun. of Lubao, Prov. of Pamp.; containing an area of Nine Hundred Seven (907) square meters and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 254052-R; before Notary Public Mikee Andrea B. Guevarra, as per Doc. No. 140, Page No. 29, Book No. LIX, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 19, 26 & June 2, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ROSENDO M. VERGARA** and **EMILIANA D. OLALIA** who died on May 21, 2008 and Dec. 2, 2005; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Absolute Sale on his/her estate; That the deceased left a house and lot with an TCT No. 571821-R, located at Block No. 9, Lot No. 4, Phase I, Sta. Lucia Resettlement Magalang, Pampanga; before Notary Public Pedro P. Hipolito Jr., as per Doc. No. 683, Page No. 48, Book No. 12, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 12, 19 & 26, 2025

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
CITY OF ANGELES

J.S.S

AFFIDAVIT OF CLOSURE

I, **LILIBETH T. XU**, Filipino, of legal age, married, being duly elected and incumbent Corporate Secretary of **RMIFARM INCORPORATED** (the "Corporation"), a domestic corporation duly organized and existing under by virtue of Philippine laws, with office at Lot 5-6 Sta. Lucia Magalang, Pampanga, after having been sworn according to law, hereby depose and state:

1. That I am the Secretary of RMIFARM INCORPORATED, a corporation with branch business address at Lot 5-6 Sta. Lucia Magalang, Pampanga

2. That effective March 11, 2025, SEC No. CS201606605 the aforementioned business has ceased its operation and no business of whatever kind or nature has been conducted or is being conducted by the same business or by me, as the Secretary;

3. That this affidavit is being executed in order to attest to the truth of the closure of RMIFARM INCORPORATED -- Lot 5-6 Sta. Lucia, Magalang, Pampanga, and for whatever legal purpose it may serve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this **29th** day of **April 28, 2025** at **Angeles City**

LILIBETH T. XU
Corporate Secretary

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME this **29th** day of **April, 2025** at **Angeles City**, by **Lilibeth T. Xu**, who has satisfactorily proven to me her identity through his TIN ID No. 214-096-182-000, that she is the same person who personally signed before me the foregoing AFFIDAVIT OF CLOSURE and acknowledged that she executed the same.

GYRIL VICTOR N. BERMUNDO
Doc. No. 1829
Page No. 72
Book Series CXXIII.
Series of 2025

Punto! Central Luzon: May 19, 26 & June 2, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **VENERANDA M. COMAHIG** who died on May 2, 2019; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on her estate; and is the registered owner of a parcel of land situated in No. 1213 Calle Real Street, Balibago, Angeles City described as Lots 3, Block 4, Psd-40858, covered under Transfer Certificate of Title No. 87964 consisting a total land area of Two Hundred Ten (210 sq.m.) Square Meters; before Notary Public Ricarte B. Abejuela III, as per Doc. No. 1399, Fee Paid \$25.00, O.R. No. 4125, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 12, 19 & 26, 2025

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 61
ANGELES CITY

ALLAINE MONICA L. LABARDA,
Petitioner,

-versus- CIVIL CASE NO. 14027

JAIME ESTUFIN LABARDA,
Respondent,

x ----- x

Wherefore, as the petitioner has proven with sufficient evidence which proved that the respondents is psychologically incapacitated to comply with the essential marital obligations, the marriage of the petitioner **Allaine Monica S. Lenon** to respondent **Jaime Estufin Labarda** on **May 14, 1997** which is registered with the Office of City Civil Registrar of Mandaluyong City under Registry No. 97-1106 is hereby declared as absolute null and void under Chapter III, Article 36 of the Family Code of the Philippines.

The Office of the City Civil Registrar of Mandaluyong City, Metro Manila is hereby ordered to cancel such marriage from their Book of Marriages.

As the parties have no conjugal properties and children no pronouncement as to separation of properties and custody of children is issued.

Considering that the Summons was served upon the respondent by publication let the dispositive portion of this decision be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines.

The petitioner is ordered to register this decision with the Office of the City Civil Registrar of Mandaluyong City where the marriage was solemnized and with the Office of the City Civil Registrar of Angeles City where this Court sits.

Let copies hereof be furnished to the Office of the Hon. Solicitor General, Office of the Civil Registrar General, NSO, the Office of the City Prosecutor of Angeles City, the Office of the City Civil Registrar of Mandaluyong City, Metro Manila, the petitioner and her counsel and the respondent.

SO ORDERED

Angeles City, May 31, 2013

BERNARDITA GABITAN-ERUM
Judge

Punto Central Luzon: May 19, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPS. AMANDOP SUAREZ** and **LUZ BARETTO-SUAREZ** who died on February 20, 2012 at Quaezon City and July 15, 2022 at Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 522072-R

A parcel of land (Lot 2771-J, of the subd. plan Psd-03-122244, being a portion of lot 2771, Arayat Cad. LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of San Antonio, Mun. of Arayat, Prov. of Pamp. containan an area of Five Thousand (5,000) Square Meters.

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 522074-R

A parcel of land (Lot 2771-L, of the subd. plan Psd-03-122244, being a portion of lot 2771, Arayat Cad. LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of San Antonio, Mun. of Arayat, Prov. of Pamp. containing an area of Five Thousand (5,000) Square Meters.

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 522075-R

A parcel of land (Lot 2771-E, of the subd. plan Psd-03-122244, being a portion of lot 2771, Arayat Cad. LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of San Antonio, Mun. of Arayat, Prov. of Pamp. containan an area of Five Thousand (5,000) Square Meters.

before Notary Public Vicente D. Ocampo, as per Doc. No. 193, Page No. 75, Book No. XL, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 19, 26 & June 2, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **APOLINARIO C. SARMIENTO** who died on March 27, 2019 at Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his estate and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 32 of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-46209, being a portion of lot 17, Block 1, Described on plan Psd-62172, LRC (GLRO) Cad. Record No. 124), situated in the Barrio of Pulung Bulu, Angeles City; containing an area of Two Hundred Twenty Two (222) Square Meters; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 36742; before Notary Public Arvin M. Suller, as per Doc. No. 4004, Page No. 5, Book No. LXXV, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **VALENTIN PACIA DE JESUS** and **POTENCIANA PARUNGAO DE JESUS** who died on March 23, 2023 and August 24, 2024 at Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate and more particularly described as a parcel of land covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 85351, located at Barangay Pandan, Angeles City; Lot & Block No. Lot 4 of the consolidation & subdivision plan, portion of Consolidated Lots D-3-J-1 & D-3-J-2, located at Barrio Pandan, Angeles City; containing an area of Three Hundred Sixty Square Meters; before Notary Public Arvin M. Suller, as per Doc. No. 3654, Page No. 20, Book No. 126, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPS. RUDY GUEVARRA GUINTO** who died on May 9, 2011 at St. Raphael Foundation and Medical Center, Dau, Mabalacat, Pampanga and **ROSITA ESGUERRA GUINTO** who died on June 10, 2016 at St. Raphael Foundation and Medical Center, Dau, Mabalacat, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/he estate and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 36, Block 33 of the subd. plan Psd-10196, Sheet 7, being a portion of Lot 545 of the Cad., Survey Mabalacat; situated in the Barrio of Mamatitang, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga; containing an area of Three Hundred Seventy Six (376) Square Meters; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 219805-R; before Notary Public Aldous Francis P. Sison, as per Doc. No. 345, Page No. 29, Book No. V, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **GLORIA CUNANANDAVID** who died on December 8, 2004 in Angeles City, **CRISPINA C. DAVID** who died on June 6, 2015, **MANOLITO D. CHAN** who died on July 22, 2019 and **JAIME D. CHAN** who died on January 8, 2024; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and at the time of his/her death, left certain a parcel of land Lo9t 12, Block 10 of the consolidation and subdivision plan Pcs-4557; situated at 683 Robin St., Nepo Subd., Brgy. Sto. Rosario, Angeles City; containing an area of Three Hundred Six (306) Square Meters; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 37274; before Notary Public Peter Anthony Mallari, as per Doc. No. 317, Page No. 64, Book No. XLV, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 12, 19 & 26, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **REGINA M. YU** who died on January 15, 2016 at 5086 Miranda Ext., Santa Trinidad, Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on her estate and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 6, of the consolidation-subdivision plan (LRC) Pcs-15703, being a portion of the consolidation of Lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, & 17, Block 16, (LRC) Pcs-5403, L.R.C. Cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in the Barrios of San Nicolas, Pampang, & Lourdes, City of Angeles, Island of Luzon; containing an area of Two Hundred Fourteen (214) Square Meters and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 89217; before Notary Public Peter Karl Alen G. Yu, as per Doc. No. 279, Page No. 72, Book No. II, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 12, 19 & 26, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **RAUL G. GALANG** who died on January 21, 2015 in Angeles City, Pampanga and **ARA A. GALANG** who died on September 16, 2024 in City of San Fernando, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Deed of Absolute Sale on his/her estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land Lot 22, Blk. 14, of the subd. plan Psd-03-180399 being a portion of Block 17, Psd-03-173104 (LRC) Rec. No. 132), situated in the Brgy. of Mamatitang, Mun. of Mabt., Prov. of Pamp.; containing an area of Seventy Two (72) Square meters and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 045-2014001893 Registry of Deeds for Angeles City; before Notary Public Paolo M. Benitez, as per Doc. No. 410, Page No. 68, Book No. 14, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 19, 26 & June 2, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPOUSES ALFONSO BATAC DATU** who died on April 26, 2013 in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga and **CRISTETA BUDLONG DATU** who died on July 24, 2021 in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights and Distribution Agreement on his/her estate and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 44207-R

"A parcel of land (Lot 6, Block 8 of the subdivision plan Psd-57899, being a portion of Lot 3583-A described on plan Psd-5556, L.R.C. (GLRO) Cad. Record No. 145) situated in the Barrios of Dolores and San Agustin, Municipality of San Fernando, Province of Pampanga; Containing an area of Two Hundred Fifty-Five (255) square meters"

"A parcel of land (Lot 8, Block 8 of the subdivision plan Psd-57899, being a portion of Lot 3583-A described on plan Psd-5556, L.R.C. (GLRO) Cad. Record No. 145) situated in the Barrios of Dolores and San Agustin, Municipality of San Fernando, Province of Pampanga; Containing an area of Two Hundred Fifty-Five (255) square meters"

before Notary Public Peter Ryann T. Rueda, as per Doc. No. 73, Page No. 16, Book No. LXXXI, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 12, 19 & 26, 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **JEFFREY DAVID TIONGSON** who was of legal age, Filipino, single, and a resident of Block 25, Lot 16-A, Ph. 1, Sta Lucia Resettlement, Sta. Lucia, Magalang, Pampanga who died on April 7, 2025 in Sta Lucia Resettlement, Magalang, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his estate; and more particularly described as follows;

Certificate of Registration No.: 0033797728
MV FILE NO : 030124001237128
ENGINE NO : K10CNC389007
CHASIS NO : MA3FL61S3RA464621
MAKE : SUZUKI
BODY TYPE : HATCHBACK
SERIES : S-PRESSOGL AGS
YEAR MODEL : 2024

before Notary Public Koko Pangan Gonzales, as per Doc. No. 2391, Page No. 97, Book No. XIX, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 19, 26 & June 2, 2025



Raemulan Lands inks MOA with TODA groups

MAGALANG, PAMPANGA -- Raemulan Lands Inc., developer of Pagsibol Village, Pagikat Place, and Pasinaya Homes, has signed a memorandum of agreement with Dolores Pangan and SMR Tinabang TODA

to ensure safe transportation, accessibility, and security for homeowners. Chief operating officer Adrian C. Cantor of Extraordinary Enclaves/Raemulan Lands called the MOA a sincere and mutual effort to col-

laborate with the local community like TODA members, and providing incentives and business opportunities as well. This, even as it helps address the 6.5 million housing backlog of the country.

"All the three subdivisions are targeting specific markets, but all in the low-cost housing category. We provide affordable but quality and livable housing. We prioritize the safety and convenience of our homeowners and we

want to engage with the local community that is why we are doing this kind of programs," enthused Cantor. The MOA signing ceremony was joined by (L-R) Jenny Aniban, housing group regional

head (North) Enclaveworx Commune; Vito Roncale, president SRM Tinabang TODA; Noli Medina, president Dolores TODA; and Mary Ann Evans Ramos, CEO Enclaveworx Commune. **Punto Lifestyle Team**

Balibago lass crowned AC's Reyna De Las Flores 2025

ANGELES CITY -- Allayzah Marie M. Cuyugan of Barangay Balibago took home the prize of ₱100,000 as the grand winner in the just-concluded Reyna De Las Flores 2025, the Queen of Flowers competition staged by the city government under the leadership of Mayor Carmelo "Pogi" Lazatin, Jr.

First runner-up was Czyra Fe F. Camaya of Barangay Pampang, while second runner-up is Misaki S. Takeishi of Barangay Anunas, with prizes of ₱50,000 and ₱25,000, respectively.

Thirty-one Angeleñas representing their respective barangays participated in this year's Reyna De Las Flores third year edition.

For Best Arch, Barangay Anunas was grand winner with ₱100,000 cash prize. Barangay Pampang and Barangay Balibago bagged 1st and 2nd runners-up, receiving ₱15,000 and ₱25,000 respectively.

Other winners were



Barangay Margot for Early Bird for Arch, receiving ₱15,000 cash prize. Early Bird for Sagala winner was Barangay Amsic receiving ₱15,000.

Mayor Pogi's Choice, who took home P15,000 cash prize, is Barangay Pampang, while Best Filipiniana Gown winner, Czyra Fe F. Camaya took home ₱20,000.

Serving as the Reyna De Las Flores 2025 judges were Michael Castañeda, Pampanga Provincial Tour-

ism officer; Jenneah Lenore Encarnacion of The Dance Conservatory; Bettina Arriola, curator of the Museum of Philippine Social History; Maribel Q. Ronquillo, manager of JDN & Sons Inc.; and Riza Lozano, CIAC Compliance AVP for Legal Services.

Lazatin, with only six weeks left in office, thanked the working team behind this successful event led by chief adviser IC Calaguas and Executive Assistant IV Reina Manuel with Angeles City Tourism Office led by

Anneleen Antonio-Sugui. The mayor also expressed his gratitude to Barangay Officials who supported the event.

"Thank you for supporting this meaningful event, even as I serve my final term as your mayor. It fills my heart with pride to see how far we've come in celebrating culture, community, and creativity in Angeles City. This event is a testament to the beauty and talent of Angeleños," Lazatin said. **Angeles CIO**



SBMA chairman and administrator Eduardo Jose L. Aliño leads employees in giving a warm welcome to the Ambassador of Spain to the Philippines Miguel Ultray Delgado and his entire delegation. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

Spanish envoy eyes Subic for investments

BY MALOU DUNGOG

SUBIC BAY FREEPORT – Spanish Ambassador to the Philippines Miguel Ultray Delgado explored opportunities for more Spanish companies to invest in this freeport during a recent visit.

"Subic Bay stands now as a beacon of economic potential, and if it can sustain this progress, it can become a premier logistics and trade hub in Southeast Asia," said Delgado in his call to Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority officials, led by chairman and administrator Eduardo Jose L. Aliño said.

With the ambassador were the embassy's trade and economic counsellor Silvia Torices de la Varga, market analyst Jose Primo Santos Mendoza, economic and commercial attaché Pedro González Lendínez, and Metalyset CEO Jose Moreno Sanchez Perez.

Delgado said that as proof of its progress, Subic Bay Freeport was named among the best economic zones in the world in a white paper study that the Spanish multi-disciplinary company IDOM (Ingeniería y Dirección de Obras y Montaje)

is preparing, together with FEMOZA (Fédération Mondiale des Zones Franches or the World Free and Special Economic Zones Federation).

According to Delgado, their visit came at a perfect time as the Spanish government takes an interest in Subic with several Spanish firms from a variety of sectors. "We have brought here the best possible example with Mr. Moreno and Metalyset, and we expect to bring more in the following years," he added.

Metalyset is an international technical and industrial services company founded in 2008 in Spain by professionals with extensive experience in the metalworking industry. The company has been continuously expanding and growing, developing increasingly large-scale projects until its international expansion in 2015.

For Aliño, the visit is a testament to the strong ties between the Philippines and Spain, as one of the most historic sites in the Subic Bay Freeport is the Spanish Gate, the original gate of

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13th Pusong Center opens in AC

ANGELES CITY – This city now has a total of 13 Pusong Center primary care facilities, following the recent inauguration of the newest center in Barangay Amsic.

Mayor Carmelo "Pogi" Lazatin Jr. led the opening on May 22 with councilors Atty. Arvin Suller and Niknok Bañola, ABC president Danilo Nacu, Executive Assistant IV Reina Manuel, and Barangay Amsic chairman Gerom Costales.

The opening of additional health centers is part of Lazatin's commitment to provide accessible and quality health care to all Angeleños. Earlier this week, another facility was inaugurated in Barangay Anunas, while health centers in Barangays Capaya and Balibago are also set to open soon.

"Bago po tayo bumaba sa posisyon bilang mayor, tutuparin po natin ang pagbubukas ng mas maraming mga health facilities para sa ating mga kababayan," Lazatin said.

The construction of nine more primary care facilities began in 2023, aligning with the city government's goal to meet the ideal health service-to-population ratio.

Lazatin also emphasized the continued availability of medicines in each facility to ensure comprehensive primary care. **Angeles CIO**

MOST CELEBRATED ORGANIZATION IN ASIA-PACIFIC



MANILA -- SM Supermalls emerged victorious at the 2025 Asia-Pacific Stevie® Awards, collecting an impressive array of accolades, including the prestigious Grand Stevie Award for Most Honored Organization of the Year — a historic recognition shared by SM Supermalls, SM Foundation, and SM Retail under the SM Group.

With a total of 42 award points, the SM Group stood tall as the most celebrated organization across Asia-Pacific this year, solidifying its reputation as a trailblazer in innovation, sustainability, and meaningful community impact. SM Supermalls' 12 Stevie Awards were formally received during the APAC Stevie Awards Banquet held on May 13 at the Lotte Hotel in Seoul, South Korea, by SM Supermalls' Joaquin L. San Agustin, EVP for Marketing; Jefferson S. Suarez, Senior AVP for North Luzon Marketing; and, Richard A. Caluyo AVP for SM Cares, SM Family Entertainment Center, and Sports & Leisure Center

Marketing.

A showcase of innovation across divisions Leading with the Gold recognition was the SM Art Market, winning the Award for Innovation in the Use of Events.

This initiative not only redefined the retail experience but also spotlighted Filipino creativity, turning mall spaces into vibrant hubs for local artisans and cultural expression. Garnering Silver awards, multiple programs across SM Malls captured attention for their impactful and purpose-driven initiatives:

- AweSM Visayas Festivals – Award for Innovation in Community Relations or Public Service Communications
- SM Davao's Vibrant Kadayawan – Award for Innovation in the Use of Events
- SM Cares' Energy Efficiency Journey – Saving Energy
- SM Cares' Book Nook – Award

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CDC posts...

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Marcos Jr. to ₱5.5 billion.
The ceremonial turnover of the symbolic remittance cheque was held May 22 at the Department of Finance's Executive Tower in Malate, Manila with Devanadera, along with CDC chairperson Atty. Edgardo Pamintuan and other CDC officials, personally presenting the cheque to Finance Secretary Ralph Recto.
The CDC chief emphasized the importance of

good governance in ensuring that public revenues are translated into tangible benefits for the Filipino people.
“GOCC dividends serve as vital non-tax revenues that empower the government to accelerate infrastructure development—translating into roads, bridges, classrooms, and programs that drive inclusive growth and economic resilience,” Devanadera said. **CDC-PR**

Peace council...

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The plaque cited Pineda's “exemplary leadership and unwavering commitment as chairperson of the PPOC from 2019 to 2025,” recognizing his strategic guidance, consistent support for law enforcement and security agencies, and relentless pursuit of peace, order, and public safety that contributed significantly to Pampanga's progress and stability.
In accepting the recognition, Pineda expressed gratitude to the council, crediting its members for the PPOC's accomplishments.
“Lahat ng accomplishments ng PPOC, as well as PDRPMC, lahat po ‘yan ay dahil sa support ng buong council. Without their support, walang maa-accomplish ang council. Lahat po ito, ang council ang dapat pasalamat

dahil from the beginning since 2019, sumuporta po silang lahat sa akin,” he said.
He also took the opportunity to bid farewell to fellow council members, marking the meeting as his last as chairperson.
“Magpapaalam na po ako. First, isa pong malaking karangalan na makatrabaho ko kayo at makasama ko po kayo for almost six years sa PPOC. Maraming salamat po sa inyong lahat. This will be my last POC meeting as chairperson, get ready sa next,” he said.
The governor also called on the council to extend the same support to incoming governor and outgoing Vice Governor Lilia “Nanay” Pineda, who is set to take over the PPOC leadership. **Jasmine Jaso/Photo: Daniel Ombina/Pampanga PIO**

BYD Philippines...

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Harmony Auto Philippines general manager Owen Meneses led the inauguration of the fifth franchise of the Chinese EV brand in the country.
Also gracing the event were Bataan 2nd District Rep. Albert S. Garcia, former Hermosa Mayor Joseph Anthony Inton, and Olongapo City Mayor Rolan Paulino Jr., as well

as the SBMA board of directors.
Subic Bay Freeport is equipped with various EV charging stations that are easily accessible to the public. One is located at the ACEA Subic Beach Resort; another at the Harbor Point Ayala Mall at the Rizal Highway; and one at the Unioil Petroleum Philippines Inc. Subic.

Baylon files...

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“Delta” Pineda in the May 9, 2022 polls, Baylon filed an election protest alleging irregularities and massive vote-buying.
It was dismissed on July 15, 2022 with the Comelec Second Division ruling that the protest was “insufficient in form and content as required in Section 7 (g), Rule 6 in relation to Section 9 (b), Rule 6 of Comelec Resolution No. 8804, as amended.”
To Baylon's allegations of irregularities and massive vote-buying, the Second Division stated: “The non-specification of the material facts such as names of the persons involved, the time of occurrence and the precincts where the allegations transpired render these averments blatantly unjustified and groundless.”
A part of the order read: “Though defeat in

any elections is desolating for the losing candidate, an election protest must not be mused as a vindication of a lost opportunity of the noble cause to serve the public, or worst, as an unjustified assertion of a wounded pride.”
Pineda beat Baylon by garnering 668,787 votes in the two-way race, according to a certified true copy of a provincial certificate of canvass.
Baylon also filed an election contest after her lost Candaba mayoralty contest in 2019 against Rene Maglanque. It was dismissed.
In the following elections in 2022, Baylon's wife Aniway filed an election protest against the reelected mayor Maglanque. It was also dismissed.
In the most recent elections, Aniway again lost to Maglanque. **Punto News Team/Inquirer report**



SM Supermalls...

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for Innovation in Community Relations or Public Service Communications
• SM Cares' Innovative CSR Impact – Innovative Achievement in Corporate Social Responsibility
• SM Job Fairs – Award for Innovation in Community Relations or Public Service Communications
• SM Megamall's Maki-Holo Christmas Spectacle – Award for Innovation in Entertainment Events SM Prime
continued its winning streak with Bronze recognitions for programs that showcased the group's diversity in storytelling and outreach:
• SM 100 Days of Joy – Award for Innovation in Content Marketing/ Branded Editorial
• SM Baguio's Community Initiatives – Award for Innovation in Community Service or Public Relations
• SM Cares' Global Youth Summit – Climate Protection and Sustainability Campaign of the Year

• SM Aura's Sinag at Saya – Award for Innovation in the Use of Events “This recognition is a celebration of how we at SM strive to innovate and evolve to serve the ever-changing needs of our customers,” said San Agustin. “We dedicate this honor to every team member, partner, and community who make our mission of service come to life.”
The Asia-Pacific Stevie® Awards are the only business awards program that recognizes innovation in the workplace across the Asia-Pacific region. In 2025, the awards honored organizations from 23 markets, including Australia, China, India, Japan, the Philippines, and Vietnam, among others.
With its 2025 wins, SM Supermalls reaffirms its standing not only as a retail leader, but also as a force for positive change in the Asia-Pacific region, fueled by innovation, collaboration, and an unwavering passion to uplift lives. **SM-PR**

NE cops deployed...

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home, entrusted with the critical responsibility of safeguarding peace and order in one of the most sensitive and challenging electoral landscapes in the country.”
Despite the risks and distance, “you carried the NEPP banner with honor, professionalism, and unwav-

ering dedication to public service,” Germino said
As a token of recognition, the returning troops received commendations and cash incentives, personally handed by Germino “for their outstanding performance and selfless service during the crucial election duties.” **Contributed photo**

Spanish envoy...

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Subic.
Delgado said, “By leveraging our shared history and mutual aspirations, we can foster a future that embraces innovation and inclusivity. Subic Bay, with its storied past and promising future, stands as a symbol of our enduring friendship and shared commitment to progress.”
Also present during the delegation's visit is Xantheng Subic International Corp. assistant to the CEO, Best Chang, who provided a glimpse of the various Taiwanese investments in Subic Freeport, including the Tipo High-tech Eco Park

and the Subic Bay Gateway Park.
Aliño thanked the Spanish government for its unwavering support in helping develop the Philippines into an economic powerhouse in the sectors of renewable energy, sustainable tourism, and maritime education.



NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **GORGONIA G. GARCIA (a.k.a GORGONIA VDA. DE CABRERA)** who died on July 4, 2008 at Magalang, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on her estate; and more particularly described as follows;

1. TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 10171 EMANCIPATION PATENT NO. A-374305

"A parcel of land (Lot 9 of the subdivision plan, Psd-03-013366 (OLT), being a portion of lot 649, Magalang Cadastre, LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Barrio of Sta. Maria, Municipality of Magalang, Province of Pampanga, x x x containing an area of Twenty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Eight (27,888) square meters."

2. TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 10172 EMANCIPATION PATENT NO. A-374304

"A parcel of land (Lot 8 of the subdivision plan, Psd-03-013366 (OLT), being a portion of lot 649, Magalang Cadastre, LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Barrio of Sta. Maria, Municipality of Magalang, Province of Pampanga, x x x containing an area of Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Eight (13,778) square meters."

3. Rights to LOT 90, PSD-03-013366, Santa Maria, Magalang, Pampanga

Situated in the Brgy. of Sta. Maria, Municipality of Magalang, Province of Pampanga xxx containing an area of Two Hundred Seventy Seven (277) square meters.

4. Rights to LOT 91, PSD-03-013366, Santa Maria, Magalang, Pampanga

Situated in the Brgy. of Sta. Maria, Municipality of Magalang, Province of Pampanga xxx containing an area of One Hundred Eighty Five (185) square meters.

before Notary Public Milani L. Irisari-Reyes, as per Doc. No. 2198, Page No. 25, Book No. 42, Series of 2024.

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NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **TERESITA P. PINGUL** who died on July 26, 2024 at Sacred Heart Center, Mc Arthur Highway, Sto. Domingo, Angeles City, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on her estate; and left the following property/ies and more particularly described as follows;

\$\$avings Account # 105230295105 & \$TD # 352308455958 in the name of TERESITA P. PINGU

• Bank account maintained with **Angeles-Miranda** branch of BDO Unibank, Inc. (Bank), in the amount of **US\$13,444.01** plus interest accruing;

before Notary Public Westremundo Y. De Guzman, as per Doc. No. 104, Page No. 74, Book No. XXII, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025

NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **LINDA CABALU FIDELINO**, married, of legal age, Filipino citizen and residents of Mabalacat City, Pampanga; and heirs of **PORFORIO H. CABALU**, who died on December 30, 2020 at Mabalacat City, Pampanga and **MACARIA Q. CABALU** who died on November 24, 20419 at Mabalacat, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication with Deed of Donation on his/her estate, and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 043-2021007817

Lot No.: 6 Block No. 7, Plan No.: (LRC) Psd-46780
Portion of: Lot 2, (LRC) Pcs-4164
Location: Piblaclon & Anupul, Bamban, Tarlac
Area: Two Hundred Fifteen (215) Square Meters
Bearings: True

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 043-2021007818

Lot No.: 18 Block No. 7, Plan No.: (LRC) Psd-46780
Portion of: Lot 2, (LRC) Pcs-4164
Location: Piblaclon & Anupul, Bamban, Tarlac
Area: Two Hundred Eighteen (218) Square Meters
Bearings: True

before Notary Public Peter Anthony T. Mallari, as per Doc. No. 408, Page No. 80, Book No. XLV, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025

NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **IRMA DAVID AQUINO**, married to Noel M. Aquino, hereby represented by her Attorney-in-fact **JAYSON M. PUNZALAN** of legal age, Filipino, with residence address at Blk. 82 Lot 25 68th St. Mauaque Resettlement, Mabalacat City; and heirs of **ALMA ALONZO DAVID** who died on March 12, 2021 at Ou Medical Center Hospital, Oklahoma City, and **ROGELIO CANLAS DAVID** who died on September 16, 2024 at Integris Hospice House, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and both interred at John M. Ireland Funeral Home and Chapel-Moore, 120 South Broadway St. Moore, Oklahoma; executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication by A Sole Heir with Sale on his/her estate, and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot No. 6 of the consolidated and subdivision plan Pcs-03002082, being a portion of consolidated Lots 6 & 7, Block 1, Psd-70106, LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Barrio of Sto. Cristo, Municipality of Angeles, Province of Pampanga; containing an area of One Hundred Fifty (150) Square Meters; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 85503; before Notary Public Mark Andrew M. Santiago, as per Doc. No. 1430, Page No. 84, Book No. XLVII, Series of 2025.

Punto! Central Luzon: May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025





Sa Bagong Pilipinas,
**Bawat Buhay
Mahalaga**

Para sa **pamilya** mong naghihintay sayo.

Sa isang iglap maaaring
magbago ang lahat!



**Magsuot ng
seatbelt.**



**Sumunod sa
speed limit.**



**'Wag
magmaneho
kapag inaantok
o lasing.**



Hindi ka lang driver.

Ikaw ay **kaibigan, magulang, at anak!**

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