



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5605

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BY REPRESENTATIVES BARONDA, MADRONA, CHATTO, ANGARA, ALVAREZ (J.), LUISTRO, RILLO, CHAN, AGARAO, ALMARIO, AUMENTADO, MATUGAS, SINGSON (R.), EMANO, GARCIA (M.A.), SALI, HORIBATA, ZAMORA (M.C.), DELOS SANTOS, ABUNDA, LAGON (D.), MANQUIZ, OUANO-DIZON, TUTOR, GO (E.C.), BUHAIN, CAGAS, TUPAS, GO (M.), GORRICETA, DALOG, YU (J.V.), CRUZ (R.), GATO, LIMKAICHONG, ESCUDERO, CARI, YU (D.G.), SALVAME, SACDALAN, KHO (R.), LEGARDA, GULLAS, MIGUEL, ALONTE, PLEYTO, GUTIERREZ, MAGSINO, PADIERNOS, GONZALES (A.), FRASCO, HERRERA, ALBANO, BASCUG, CABREDO, CHUNGALAO, COLLANTES, CUARESMA, KHO (O.), LOYOLA, MARIANO-HERNANDEZ, NAVA, OLIVAREZ, PLAZA, RODRIGUEZ (R.), SILVERIO, SUANSING (M.A.) AND TAMBUNTING, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 87

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AN ACT

**MANDATING THE INCLUSION OF THE AREVALO PLAZA IN THE ILOILO CITY CULTURAL HERITAGE TOURISM ZONE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10555, ENTITLED, "AN ACT DECLARING THE JARO CATHEDRAL, MOLO CHURCH, THE ILOILO CITY CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, FORT SAN PEDRO, JARO PLAZA COMPLEX, MOLO PLAZA COMPLEX AND PLAZA LIBERTAD COMPLEX, ALL LOCATED IN THE CITY OF ILOILO, AS CULTURAL HERITAGE TOURISM ZONE"**

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

- 1           SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 10555 is amended to read as follows:
- 2                       "SECTION 1. *SHORT Title.* – This Act shall be known as **THE**
- 3           **"ILOILO Cultural Heritage Tourism Zone ACT."**

1 SEC. 2. Section 2 of the same Act is amended to read as follows:

2 "SEC. 2. *Declaration of ILOILO CITY CULTURAL HERITAGE*  
3 *TOURISM ZONE.* – PURSUANT TO THE declared the policy of the State to  
4 promote a tourism industry that is ecologically sustainable, responsible,  
5 participative, culturally sensitive, economically viable and equitable for local  
6 communities, **THE AREA COMPRISED OF** the Jaro Cathedral, Molo  
7 Church, the Iloilo City Central Business District, Fort San Pedro, Jaro Plaza  
8 Complex, Molo Plaza Complex, Plaza Libertad Complex **AND AREVALO**  
9 **PLAZA**, all located in the City of Iloilo, **ARE HEREBY** declared as **THE**  
10 **ILOILO CITY** cultural heritage tourism zone. **AS SUCH, THE AREA** shall  
11 be accorded priority development by the **DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM**  
12 **(DOT)**, subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of  
13 tourism zones."

14 SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*  
15 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,