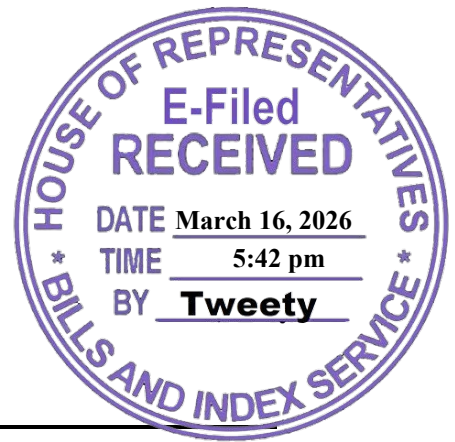


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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 197

Submitted by the Committees on Tourism and Appropriations on March 16, 2026

Re : House Bill No. 8569

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 894

Sponsors : Representatives Eleandro Jesus F. Madrona, Mikaela Angela B. Suansing, and
King Collantes

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Tourism and Appropriations to which was referred House Bill No. 894, introduced by Representative King Collantes, entitled:

**“AN ACT
DECLARING THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF PADRE PIO
COMMONLY KNOWN AS PADRE PIO SHRINE LOCATED IN
BRGY. SAN PEDRO, CITY OF STO. TOMAS, PROVINCE OF
BATANGAS AS A TOURIST DESTINATION AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREOF”**

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 8569, entitled:

**“AN ACT
DECLARING THE IMMEDIATE ENVIRONS OF THE NATIONAL
SHRINE OF PADRE PIO, COMMONLY KNOWN AS PADRE PIO
SHRINE, LOCATED IN BARANGAY SAN PEDRO, CITY OF STO.
TOMAS, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS, AS A TOURISM
DESTINATION”**

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 894 with Representatives King Collantes, Eleandro Jesus F. Madrona, Junard “Ahong” Q. Chan, Rosalie Ang Salvame, Rommel Rico T. Angara, Jose C. Alvarez, Elisa “Olga” T. Kho, Dibu S. Tuan, Florencio T. Miraflores, Tsuyoshi Anthony “Hori” G. Horibata, John Geesnell “Baba” Yap, Caroline B. Agyao, MD, Ustadz Yusop T. Alano, Maximo Y. Dalog, Jr., Romeo S. Momo, Sr., Ronald V. Singson, Patricia C. Calderon, Rebecca Maria Alcantara Ynares, Dale B. Corvera, Celso G. Regencia, Jane T. Castro, Alyssa Michaela “Mica” M. Gonzales, Binky April M. Tupas, Salvador A. Pleyto, Marlo C. Bancoro, Eulogio “Leo” R. Rodriguez, Ferdinand “B1” L. Beltran, Niko Raul S.J. Daza, Rachel Marguerite B. Del Mar, Howard A. Guintu, Angelo Marcos Barba, John Tracy F.

Cagas, Timothy Joseph E. Cayton, Antonino B. Roman III, Laarni Lavin Roque, Alfonso V. Umali, Jr., and Lordan G. Suan as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,



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BARANGAY SAN PEDRO, CITY OF STO. TOMAS, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS, AS
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 National Shrine of Padre Pio, commonly
2 known as Padre Pio Shrine, located in Barangay San Pedro, City of Sto. Tomas, Province of
3 Batangas, are hereby declared as tourism destination. Pursuant thereto, the development of the
4 immediate environs of the Padre Pio Shrine shall be prioritized and supported by the
5 Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the development
6 of tourism destinations.

7 **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the City Government of Sto.
8 Tomas shall, in coordination with the DOT, Department of Public Works and Highways, and

1 concerned agencies of the government, prepare a tourism development plan that shall include
2 the construction, installation, and maintenance of such appropriate infrastructure and facilities
3 to improve the overall features of the immediate environs surrounding the Padre Pio Shrine,
4 thereby ensuring its accessibility and the security of tourists: *Provided*, That said development
5 plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the historical significance of the area:
6 *Provided, further*, That the implementation of the tourism development plan shall be included
7 in the budget of the City Government of Sto. Tomas.

8 **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall assist the City Government of Sto. Tomas in the implementation
9 of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in tourism capacity building.
10 It shall also include the immediate environs of the Padre Pio Shrine in its national and regional
11 promotion programs.

12 **SEC. 4.** The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual
13 budget of the City Government of Sto. Tomas. The DOT may augment such allocation with
14 internally generated funds.

15 **SEC. 5.** Within sixty (60) days after the effectivity of this Act, the City Government of
16 Sto. Tomas shall, in consultation with the DOT and concerned agencies of the government,
17 promulgate the rules and regulations to implement this Act.

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

Approved,