



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 9510

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AN ACT
DECLARING THE IMMEDIATE ENVIRONS OF OUR LADY OF CANDELARIA
PARISH CHURCH, LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SILANG, PROVINCE OF
CAVITE, 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 Our Lady of Candelaria Parish Church,
2 located in the Municipality of Silang, Province of Cavite, are hereby declared as a
3 tourism destination. Pursuant thereto, the development of the immediate environs of
4 Our Lady of Candelaria Parish Church shall be prioritized and supported by the
5 Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the
6 development of tourism destinations.

7 **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the Municipal
8 Government of Silang shall, in coordination with the DOT, Department of Public Works
9 and Highways, National Historical Commission of the Philippines, and concerned
10 agencies of the government, prepare a tourism development plan that shall include
11 the construction, installation, and maintenance of such appropriate infrastructure and
12 facilities to improve the overall features of the immediate environs surrounding Our
13 Lady of Candelaria Parish Church, thereby ensuring its accessibility and the security

1 of the tourists: *Provided*, That said development plan shall ensure the preservation
2 and conservation of the historical significance of the Church: *Provided, further*, That
3 the implementation of the tourism development plan shall be included in the budget of
4 the Municipal Government of Silang.

5 **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall assist the Municipal Government of Silang in the
6 implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in
7 tourism capacity building. It shall also include the immediate environs of Our Lady of
8 Candelaria Parish Church in its national and regional promotion programs.

9 **SEC. 4.** The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the
10 annual budget of the Municipal Government of Silang. The DOT may augment such
11 allocation with internally generated funds.

12 **SEC. 5.** Within sixty (60) days after the effectivity of this Act, the Municipal
13 Government of Silang shall, in consultation with the DOT and concerned agencies of
14 the government, promulgate the rules and regulations to implement this Act.

15 **SEC. 6.** All laws, rules, regulations, executive orders, proclamations,
16 presidential decrees, and other issuances inconsistent with any of the provisions of
17 this Act are hereby deemed repealed or amended accordingly.

18 **SEC. 7.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
19 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,