



PAMBANSANG KOMISYON PARA SA KULTURA AT MGA SINING

15 January 2020

MS. MARIA DEL ROSARIO R. ZARAGOZA
102 Gamboa Street, Legazpi Village
Makati City

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Dear **Ms. Zaragoza**,

Greetings from the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA)!

This has reference to your petition to remove the presumption of Important Cultural Property (ICP) on the Zaragoza Building at 102 Gamboa Street, Legazpi Village, Makati City, which is a work of National Artist Jose Maria Zaragoza.

This is to respectfully inform you that after due deliberation of the NCCA Board of Commissioners, careful review of the petition, assessment of the structure, rebuttal of the petitioner, and pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act No. 10066 and its IRR, the Board has granted your petition for the removal of the presumption of Important Cultural Property (ICP) on the Zaragoza Building by National Artist Jose Maria Zaragoza, as per Board Resolutions No. 2019-368 and 2019-369.

For queries and clarification, please do not hesitate to coordinate with Ms. Mara Logarta of the Cultural Heritage Section at telephone numbers 527 2192 loc. 339 or email at heritagelaw@ncca.gov.ph.

With assurance of our highest esteem and warmest regards!

Very truly yours,


AL RYAN S. ALEJANDRE
Executive Director

attachment/s: Board Resolutions No. 2019-368 and 2019-369



NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS
*Excerpts from the Minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting held on
December 16, 2019, NCCA, Manila*

Resolution

[U]pon motion made and duly seconded, the majority of the Commission approved this **Resolution**:

Resolution No. 2019 - 368
Removing the Presumption of Important Cultural Property on the Zaragoza Building at 102 Gamboa Street, Legazpi Village, Makati City

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10066, the “National Cultural Heritage Act of 2009” specifically vested the National Commission for Culture and the Arts with the responsibility and authority of implementing pertinent provisions of the said Act;

WHEREAS, Article I Section 3 (w) of Republic Act No. 10066 and Section 6 (w) of its implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) refers to an Important Cultural Property as a cultural property having exceptional cultural, artistic and historical significance to the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Section 5 (b) of Republic Act No. 10066 provides that for purposes of protecting cultural property against exportation, modification or demolition, the works of the National Artists shall be considered and/or presumed as important cultural property, unless otherwise declared by the Commission;

WHEREAS, Section 8 of Republic Act No. 10066 indicates the procedure for removal of Important Cultural Property wherein the appropriate cultural agency shall have a maximum of ninety (90) days from the deadline of the submission of all the answers within which to submit its resolution and render its decision on the application;

WHEREAS, Ms. Maria Del Rosario R. Zaragoza filed a petition before the Commission on 25 July 2019 for the removal of presumption of the Zaragoza building as an Important Cultural Property;

WHEREAS, the Zaragoza Building was designed by National Artist for Architecture, Jose Maria V. Zaragoza;

WHEREAS, the Petition was posted in the official website of the Commission from 31 July 2019 to 14 August 2019;

WHEREAS, the City of Makati interposed no objection to the removal of presumption of Important Cultural Property (ICP) of the Zaragoza Building;



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WHEREAS, after due deliberation, careful evaluation of the petition, assessment of the structure, rebuttal of the petitioner, and pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act No. 10066 and its IRR, the Commission finds that the Zaragoza Building 102 Gamboa Street, Legazpi Village, Makati City, designed by National Artist Jose Maria V. 'Zaragoza, is typical among NA Zaragoza's body of works;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it **RESOLVED**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, based on the foregoing premises and pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act No. 10066 and its IRR, To Remove the presumption of Important Cultural Property on the Zaragoza Building at 102 Gamboa Street, Legazpi Village, Makati City;

PROVIDED, That a marker shall be installed on the site indicating that "on this site, once stood the Zaragoza Building designed by National Artist Jose Maria Zaragoza"

Attested by:


MYLA T. BUAN
Board Secretary

For the Board:


VIRGILIO S. ALMARIO, NA
Chairman



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Resolution

[U]pon motion made and duly seconded, the majority of the Commission approved this **Resolution**:

Resolution No. 2019 - 369

**Granting the Petition of Ms. Maria Del Rosario R. Zaragoza to Remove the
Presumption of Important Cultural Property on the Zaragoza Building at 102
Gamboa Street, Legazpi Village, Makati City**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Board Resolution No. 2019 - 368, the Commission removed the presumption of Important Cultural Property of the Zaragoza Building;


NOW, THEREFORE RESOLVED, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, that the Commission, pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act 10066 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, and Board Resolution No. 2019 - 368, hereby grants the petition of Ms. Maria Del Rosario R. Zaragoza to remove the presumption of Important Cultural Property on the Zaragoza Building at 102 Gamboa Street, Legazpi Village, Makati City.

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Attested by:


MYLA T. BUAN
Board Secretary

For the Board:


VIRGILIO S. ALMARIO, NA
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