



Republic of the Philippines  
 PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN  
 City of Tuguegarao  
**SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL**



EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 72<sup>nd</sup> REGULAR SESSION  
 OF THE SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL OF TUGUEGARAO CITY, CAGAYAN  
 HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2018, 9:00 A.M., TUESDAY,  
 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL

PRESENT:

Hon. Bienvenido C. De Guzman II	City Vice Mayor, Presiding Officer
Hon. Jude T. Bayona	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Arnel T. Arugay	-do-
Hon. Gilbert S. Labang	-do-
Hon. Winnoco R. Abraham	-do-
Hon. Imogen Claire M. Callangan	-do-
Hon. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan	-do-
Hon. Raymund P. Guzman	-do-
Hon. Grace B. Arago	-do-
Hon. Anthony C. Tuddao	-do-
Hon. Jose G. Velasco	-do-

ABSENT:

Hon. Kendrick S. Calubaquib	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member (on Sick Leave)
Hon. Maila Rosario T. Que	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member (on Vacation Leave)

**CITY RESOLUTION NO. 054-2018**

**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SUPPORT OF THE SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL ON THE PROPOSED FEDERAL MODEL OF GOVERNMENT PROMULGATED BY BOTH HOUSES OF THE SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS IN THEIR RESOLUTION NO. 08**

**WHEREAS**, the overwhelming votes for the first Minadanaoan President, “Mayor” Rodrigo Roa Duterte, who has been pushing for federalism since the election campaign, clearly indicates the present day desire of the Filipino people to change the existing unitary government;

**WHEREAS**, in an archipelago of over 7,000 islands, with more than 102 million inhabitants, 30 dominant ethnic groups and 15 ethno linguistic groups spread in political units consisting of 42,036 barangays, 1,489 municipalities, 145 cities, 81 provinces and 18 regions, federalism appears as the best solution to address challenges posed by geography, diversity and inequality;

**WHEREAS**, under the federal form of government, the goal of the federal state is to secure the sovereignty of the federal state and safeguard the integrity of national territory and the regions comprising it;

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of federalism will certainly empower regional governments to retain more of their income and spend funds on programs and plan they see fit without the approval of the national government based in Metro Manila;

**WHEREAS**, the Provincial Director of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Engr. Corazon D. Toribio, CESO V, wrote a letter to the City Vice Mayor, Hon. Bienvenido C. De Guzman II, requesting the Local Government Unit of Tuguegarao City to submit resolutions or position papers pursuant to President Rodrigo Roa Duterte’s call to federalize the government;

**WHEREAS**, after the presentation of the Executive Summary of the PDP Laban Model of PH Federalism and the difference between the 1987 Constitution vis-à-vis the proposed Constitution of the Federal Republic of the Philippines during the Committee of the Whole meeting and after a further review

of the proposal, the committee found the said proposal of changing the form of government to federal form of government to be in order and beneficial to the constituents of Tuguegarao City and to the whole nation;

**WHEREAS**, after the presentation and adoption of Committee Report No. 027-2018, the Seventh City Council during their 72<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session deemed it proper and necessary to strongly support Resolution No. 08 of both Houses of the Seventeenth Congress constituting the Senate and the House of Representatives into a constituents assembly to propose revisions of the 1987 Constitution by adopting a federal form of government and for other purposes.

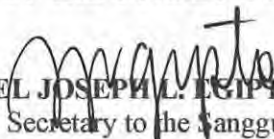
**NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVE** as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to express the support of the Tuguegarao City Government on the proposed federal model of government promulgated by both houses of the Seventeenth Congress in their Resolution No. 08.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, to furnish a copy of this Resolution to the City Mayor, Hon. Atty. Jefferson P. Soriano, and the Office of His Excellency, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, for their information.


On motion of Hon. Raymund P. Guzman, with the abstention of Hon. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan and without any objection, **CITY RESOLUTION NO. 054-2018** was **APPROVED** under suspended rules.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS OF THE FOREGOING:

  
**JOEL JOSEPH L. EGIPTO, Ph.D.**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian <sup>021518</sup>

ATTESTED:

  
**HON. BIENVENIDO C. DE GUZMAN II**  
City Vice Mayor  
Presiding Officer  
Date: 021918

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