

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
MUNICIPAL BOARD
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
ORMOC CITY

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
SEVENTH MUNICIPAL BOARD OF ORMOC CITY, PHILIPPINES, HELD
AT ITS SESSION HALL ON MARCH 21, 1974

PRESENT:

Hon. Jesus B. Lladoc, Vice-Mayor, Presiding Officer
Hon. Jose C. Aviles, Floor Leader
Hon. Cristobal S. Mendola, City Councilor
Hon. Bruho T. Marquez, Jr., City Councilor
Hon. Albino P. Porcadilla, City Councilor
Hon. Cesar S. Samson, City Councilor
Hon. Rafael M. Mejia, City Councilor

ABSENT:

Hon. Eduardo P. Tan, City Councilor
One seat vacant.

RESOLUTION NO. 39

"WHEREAS, Honorable Juanito Tagle Kangleon, the soldier, farmer and public servant, has spent the valuable years of his life serving his community in particular and his country in general;

"WHEREAS, Honorable Juanito T. Kangleon has etched a commendable record of services most notably in the fields of the military, industry, economics and politics mounting the ranks from a humble private in the United States Armed Forces in the Far East (USAFFE) on December 28, 1941, then corporal on April 27, 1942, scaling to third lieutenant after having been commissioned on April 8, 1943, then second lieutenant on June 15 of the same year, promoted to captain on December 23, 1953, then major on April 28, 1962, and finally, lieutenant colonel in April of 1969, city councilor of Ormoc from January 1, 1968, to the time of his death on September 12, 1973, a director of the Ormoc Sugarcane Planters Association (1970-1973), a trustee of the OSFA-Farmers Medical Center (1971-1973), and Adviser on Military Science and Tactics (1969-1973);

"WHEREAS, when the Cebu USAFFE was disbanded on April 27, 1942, Juanito T. Kangleon, then a corporal, refused to surrender to the mighty Imperial Japanese Forces and, instead, went farming in the mountains of Cebu to help his mother supporting and feeding his brothers and sisters, and in August of that year he regrouped with his comrades in arms who did not surrender to the enemy and organized their own guerrilla movement fighting the Japanese whenever they had the opportunity until October of the same year when he and his men joined the unified guerrilla command of Cebu province where he was assigned as a platoon commander of a combat company in southern Cebu sector holding headquarters at Carcar and engaging the enemy in sporadic encounters until March 15, 1943, when he was transferred to the Southern Leyte guerrilla unit where he earned his commission as third lieutenant and acted as Adjutant of the 92nd Division of the United States Armed Forces in the Philippines on April 8, 1943, then second lieutenant on June 15 of the same year when he was assigned as Assistant Plans and Training Officer and got into numerous campaigns against the Japanese invaders until the Liberation of Leyte which culminated his war services that lasted for three years and three months;

"WHEREAS, when his regiment was demobilized in April of 1946, Juanito T. Kangleon was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation of Services by his commanding officer, Lt. Col. Mortera, for efficiency and great interest in the performance of his task and responsibility as a company commander; and on July 1 of the same year he applied for retention in the service so that on August 12 of that year he was assigned to the Reserve Force Army of the Philippines with the rank of second lieutenant, promoted to first lieutenant on December 20, 1949, until upon his own request he was reverted to inactive status on May 20, 1950, to settle down to a civilian life with his family in Ormoc City;

"WHEREAS, even as a civilian engaged in private business as a farmer and a lumber dealer, Juanito T. Kangleon's zeal and fervor of the military never withered, as a matter of fact, he continuously took up various SRC and army extension courses and heeded once in a while every call to active duty which qualified him for regular promotions from captain on December 20, 1953, major on April 28, 1962, and then lieutenant colonel in April of 1969, with appointment as Adviser on Military Science and Tactics to the Reserved Officers Training Corps in the City of Ormoc, for which accomplishments he became a recipient of various certificates of appreciation among which were awarded by the Rotary Club of Ormoc, the Department of Army Science and Tactics of St. Peter's College ROTC Unit, not to mention those awarded by Brigadier General Fidel Ramos and Brigadier General Felicisimo Cayton for services rendered in the Military;

"WHEREAS, as elected councilor of Ormoc City, the Honorable Juanito T. Kangleon proved himself as a fearless, honest and dedicated public servant attending to his avowed duties and responsibilities even late into the night as, for him, there are no definite official working hours if one is to serve the people who entrusted him to an office because public good demands even an around-the-clock service, if possible, and even as a member of the board of directors of the Ormoc Sugarcane Planters Association and the board of trustees of the OSPA-Farmers Medical Center he has manifested unrelenting zeal and dedication, and yet, despite his wholehearted and selfless devotion to duty, he never failed in his obligation to his family as an affectionate spouse and a responsible parent, tenderly caressing an ever loving wife and painstakingly leading his children along the path of righteousness;

"WHEREAS, the Honorable Juanito T. Kangleon has ingested the essence of politics in its reality as a contemporary of good government and not an affair viewed as a profession, personal interest or aggrandizement so that, as a distinguished member of this august Body, he denounced partisan politics as a hindrance to a healthy and sound administration of government and so he religiously and conscientiously remained faithful to his oath of office not just for his political party but for everybody ever mindful of the progress and prosperity of Ormoc City;

"WHEREAS, the Honorable City Councilor Juanito T. Kangleon never lost sight of proper decorum in the Board specially on money and police matters whereby he played the dual role of an economist and a law enforcer, always looking after the soundness of the financial situation of the city and the stability of peace and order of the community;

"WHEREAS, Honorable Juanito T. Kangleon's strict adherence to the code of ethics had placed him among the rarest types of public officials and quite apart from the rest which merited him an unblemished record of distinction, prestige and honor;

"WHEREAS, as a proper tribute to the memory of a soldier who served well in war and peace, to a man who served his people above himself, and to a man who contributed much more to our political maturity, it is but wise and fitting that a city street be now renamed after the late Councilor Juanito T. Kangleon;

"NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of the Floor Leader, seconded unanimously by the Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer and Councilors Mendola, Marquez, Porcadilla, Samson and Mejia;

"RESOLVED, to adopt:

ORDINANCE NO. 5

AN ORDINANCE RENAMING SAN JORGE STREET IN ORMOC CITY "JUANITO T. KANGLEON STREET"

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Municipal Board of Ormoc City, That:

SECTION 1. San Jorge Street in Ormoc City is hereby renamed "Juanito T. Kangleon Street";

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED, March 21, 1974.

"RESOLVED, FURTHER, to direct the Office of the City Engineer to prepare and immediately post the proper street signs for purposes of this resolution-ordinance; and

"RESOLVED, FINALLY, to furnish a copy of this resolution-ordinance each to the City Engineer and all other heads of departments and/or offices of the city, the Postmaster, the residents of Juanito T. Kangleon Street, the Chairman of Barangay District I, and the general public;

"CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY."

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted resolution-ordinance.

ATTESTED:

Jesus B. Llador
JESUS B. LLADOR
Vice-Mayor
Presiding Officer

Laureano J. Suan
LAUREANO J. SUAN
Secretary

APPROVED:

Inaki A. Larrazabal
INAKI A. LARAZABAL
City Mayor

ATTESTED AS APPROVED:

Sotero M. Pepito
SOTERO M. PEPITO