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THE MUNICIPAL BOARD OF ORMOC CITY, PHILIPPINES, IN ITS
SESSION HALL ON JANUARY 23, 1954

Ormoc City

PRESENT:
Actg. City Mayor, Roberto B. Almaden - Presiding Officer
Hon. Guillermo T. Parrilla - - - - - City Councilor
Hon. Esteban C. Conejos- - - - - " "
Hon. Jorge S. Tan- - - - - " "
Hon. Emilio C. Penserga- - - - - " "
Hon. Teotimo Ocubillo- - - - - " "
Hon. Usualdo F. Laguitan - - - - - " "

ABSENT:
Hon. Alvaro I. Gutierrez- - - - - City Councilor
Hon. Teofilo S. Tan- - - - - " "

RESOLUTION NO. 19

WHEREAS, the peace and order condition of Ormoc City depends upon the efficiency of the Police Force;

WHEREAS, the policemen are the persons in authority to maintain peace and order in this city;

WHEREAS, after the policemen were disarmed, the said policemen could not execute their official duties properly as agents of the law;

WHEREAS, the constitutional rights of every citizens rich and poor alike as stipulated in our democratic constitution could not be effected efficiently due to the incomplete personality of our policemen;

WHEREAS, when the policemen were disarmed, socially deficient individuals began to threat and mauled law-abiding citizens of this City, without fear to the agents of the law for even a policeman was assaulted and attacked by disorderly individuals;

WHEREAS, Councilor Teotimo Ocubillo strongly suggested respectfully request His Excellency, the President of the Philippines, Ramon Magsaysay and the Honorable, the Secretary of National Defense, to re-armed the policemen of Ormoc City in order that the constitutional rights of every citizens rich and poor alike could be protected;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board, on motion of Councilor Teotimo Ocubillo seconded by Councilor Guillermo T. Parrilla;

BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to respectfully request His Excellency, the President of the Philippines, Ramon Magsaysay and the Honorable, the Secretary of National Defense, to re-armed the policemen of Ormoc City in order that the constitutional rights of every citizens rich and poor alike be protected;


RESOLVED FINALLY, to furnish copy of this resolution each to His Excellency, the President of the Philippines, Ramon Magsaysay, Manila; Honorable, Executive Secretary, Malacañan Palace, Manila; the Honorable, Secretary of National Defense, Manila; the Chief of Staff, AFP, Manila; Zone Commander, Cebu City; Provincial Commander, Tacloban, Leyte; Station Commander, 3rd PC Company, Ormoc City; the Acting City Mayor, Ormoc City; the Acting Chief of Police, Ormoc City; the City Treasurer,

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(Res. No. 19, s. 1954, continued)

Ormoc City and the City Auditor, Ormoc City.
CARRIED.

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


RAMON BANTASAN
Secretary

APPROVED:

ROBERTO B. ALMADEN
Actg. Vice Mayor & Actg. City Mayor
Presiding Officer

COPY FURNISHED:

His Excellency, the President of the Philippines,
Ramon Magsaysay, Manila
Hon. Executive Secretary, Malacañan Palace, Manila
Hon. Secretary of National Defense, Manila
Chief of Staff, AFP, Manila
Zone Commander, Cebu City
Provincial Commander, Tacloban, Leyte
Station Commander, 3rd PC Company, Ormoc City
Acting Chief of Police, Ormoc City
Hon. Actg. City Mayor, Ormoc City
the City Treasurer, Ormoc City
the City Auditor, Ormoc City

ATTESTED:

EDILBERTO MAGLASANG
Secretary to the City Mayor

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Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR
—o—
Ormoc City

V E T O

VETO OF RESOLUTION NO. 19 PASSED BY THE HONORABLE
MUNICIPAL BOARD OF ORMOC CITY ON JANUARY 23,
1954, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ART.
3, SECTION 14, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 179.

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Resolution No. 19, passed by the Honorable Municipal Board, Ormoc City, on January 23, 1954, is hereby VETOED in accordance with the provisions of Section 14, Article III, Republic Act No. 179, for the following reasons:

The master philosophy of this resolution is predicated on the proposition that the police force of Ormoc City now under PC Control be rearmed for the reasons therein stated.

Examining the theories advanced by the proponent of this resolution in order to be able to reach the root upon which these theories are made to stand, the examiner finds himself confronted by the question: Is this a fair, just, and reasonable resolution for adoption? The answer is, NO.

Indeed, this resolution, if adopted, is unfair and unjust as it is unreasonable because it certainly hurts or injures, or assails, the honesty, honor, integrity, valor, might, and ability of the entire PC Command charged with the noble duty of maintaining peace and order in Ormoc City. This resolution, in spirit and substance, is an indirect expression of want of confidence in the PC as the real guardian of peace and order of this city. The PC is a sufficient force to maintain such peace and order even without the existence of a police force.

The rearming of the police force placed under PC Control is not the best solution to the maintenance of peace and order in Ormoc City. A complete change of policy in relation to the reorganization of the entire police force compatible with the adopted stand of the present administration to give good, honest, and efficient government to the people is imperative. The present police force should first undergo rigid screening and as soon as the unfit, if any, are replaced by competent ones fit to be called "Policeman" that becomes the reasonable time to rearm them.

In view of the foregoing reasons, I vetoed this resolution.


Done in the City Hall, Ormoc City, on this 3rd day

Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR
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Ormoc City

VETO ON RESOLUTION NO. 19, M.B., ORMOC CITY, JAN. 23, 1954...

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of February, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and
Fifty-Four.


ROBERTO B. ALMADIEN
Actg. Vice Mayor & Actg. City Mayor

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