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JOINT COMMITTEE REPORT
NO. HLUUD-023-S-2025

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Subject: *A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, ATTY. AIMEE TORREFRANCA- NERI, TO SIGN THE VERIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION AGAINST FORUM SHOPPING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF BACOR RELATIVE TO THE CIVIL CASE NO. BSC-2025-71 ENTITLED: "REBECCA I. SALIDO VS. CITY GOVERNMENT OF BACOR, ET. AL.", FOR EASEMENT OF RIGHT OF WAY, DAMAGES AND ATTORNEY'S FEES. (PCR 275-2025 dated November 24, 2025)*

This committee report pertains to the committee hearing conducted on November 27, 2025 relative to the above-stated subject matter. The hearing was presided over by the Chairperson of the Committee on Housing, Land Utilization and Urban Development, Hon. Horacio M. Brillantes Jr. and was held at the Sangguniang Panlungsod Session Hall situated on the 6th Floor of the BLDR Building, Bacoor Government Center, Barangay Bayanan, Bacoor City, Cavite. The minutes, attendance sheets, and pictures taken during the said hearing are attached hereto and shall be made integral parts of this report.

A committee hearing was called to order to deliberate on the request of the City Administrator for authority to sign the Verification and Certification Against Forum Shopping in connection with Civil Case No. BSC-2025-71 filed by Rebecca Salido against the City Government of Bacoor, among other respondents. The case concerns alleged easement of right-of-way violations, damages, and attorney's fees relative to subdivision road lots claimed to have been donated for public use.

FINDINGS:

After careful evaluation of the documents and deliberation during the Committee's review, the following findings are hereby presented:





- The City Administrator's Office, through Atty. Pajo, formally requested authority to sign the Verification and Certification Against Forum Shopping required in the pending civil case. As per rules of court, such document is necessary for filing and continuing legal proceedings.
- Atty. Sumira provided a briefing on the nature of the case. Summons were received on September 16, prompting the City Legal Office to prepare an answer, which was formally filed on November 17. The complaint involves a right-of-way claim over subdivision road lots allegedly donated for public use.
- The committee raised concern regarding the designation of the signatory, as the original request referred to the undersigned (Atty. Nery), yet the filed certification appeared signed by another legal officer. For proper documentation and consistency with court filings, the committee required confirmation from the City Administrator's Office on whether the authority/resolution is still necessary.
- After deliberation, the City Administrator's Office confirmed that the requested resolution remains necessary for proper authorization and alignment with legal procedures moving forward.
- The legal case is active and requires proper authorization for the signing of verification and certification documents.
- The committee recognizes the need for a formal resolution to avoid similar discrepancies and ensure a legitimate representative of the city is authorized to sign future pleadings.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the foregoing, the Honorable Members of the Committee hereby recommend **TO APPROVE** the proposed City Resolution authorizing the City Administrator or duly designated representative to sign the Verification and Certification Against Forum Shopping pertaining to Civil Case No. BSC-2025-71 in behalf of the City Government of Bacoor on the Second Reading and to be calendared on the Third Reading on the next regular session.





WE HEREBY CERTIFY that the contents of the foregoing report are true and correct.

Signed this 28th day of November 2025 at the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

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