



**COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, CULTURE, ARTS, AND EXTERNAL LINKAGES
AND
COMMITTEE ON RULES, PRIVILEGES, LAWS AND ORDINANCES**

JOINT COMMITTEE REPORT
NO. TCAEL 014a S-2026

Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod
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Subject: *A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE PROPOSED SISTER-CITY OR TOWN-TWINNING AFFILIATION INITIATIVE BETWEEN THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF BACOOR, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF BESSINES-SUR-GARTEMPE, FRANCE.*
(PCR 519-2026, dated 13 July 2026)

The above-captioned proposed resolution was introduced on First Reading during the 51st Regular Session of the 6th Sangguniang Panlungsod held on 13 July 2026. It was referred to the Committee on Tourism, Culture, Arts, and External Linkages and the Committee on Rules, Privileges, Laws, and Ordinances. Simultaneously, **PCR 520-2026, entitled "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HON. STRIKE B. REVILLA, TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A SISTER-CITY OR TOWN-TWINNING AGREEMENT, MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING OR MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT, AS MAY BE APPROPRIATE, WITH THE MUNICIPALITY OF BESSINES-SUR-GARTEMPE, FRANCE, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF BACOOR, SUBJECT TO EXISTING LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, AND REQUIRED CLEARANCES,"** was likewise referred to the same committees. Upon the suspension of the Internal Rules, the Joint Committee immediately deliberated on the proposed resolutions.

FINDINGS:

1. The Joint Committee determined that the proposed subject matter complies with the documentary requirements prescribed under DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2024-066, otherwise known as the Amended Guidelines on the Establishment of National and International Sister-City or Town-Twinning Agreements.
2. The Joint Committee noted that the proposed affiliation aims to strengthen friendship and goodwill between the City Government of Bacoor and the Municipality of Bessines-sur-Gartempe, France, through cultural exchange, tourism promotion, educational and youth development programs, local governance cooperation, environmental sustainability initiatives, and other mutually beneficial areas of collaboration.



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3. The Joint Committee recognized that PCR 520-2026 provides the necessary authority for the City Mayor to negotiate and enter into the appropriate Sister-City or Town-Twinning Agreement, Memorandum of Understanding, or Memorandum of Agreement with the Municipality of Bessines-sur-Gartempe, France, subject to existing laws, rules, regulations, and the required clearances.
4. Accordingly, the Joint Committee concluded that PCR 519-2026, which merely seeks to endorse the proposed affiliation initiative, has become moot and academic in view of the authority already sought under PCR 520-2026, and may therefore be extracted from the Order of Business.

RECOMMENDATION:

Based on the foregoing findings, the Joint Committee respectfully recommends that **PCR 519-2026 BE DECLARED MOOT AND ACADEMIC AND BE EXTRACTED FROM THE NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS**, without prejudice to the continued deliberation and **APPROVAL OF PCR 520-2026**, which authorizes the City Mayor to negotiate and execute the appropriate Sister-City or Town-Twinning Agreement, Memorandum of Understanding, or Memorandum of Agreement, as may be appropriate with the Municipality of Bessines-sur-Gartempe, France, in accordance with DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2024-066, existing laws, rules, regulations, and the required clearances.

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

Unanimously approved this 15th day of July 2026 at the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, CULTURE, ARTS, AND EXTERNAL LINKAGES

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