



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Cavite
CITY OF BACOR

Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod



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Acting City Mayor

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Attested by:

MS. CRISTINA R. MALAWIG

Supervising Administrative Officer

Certified by:

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Noted:

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CITY RESOLUTION NO. 2026-1061

Series of 2026

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 BACOR, SUBJECT TO EXISTING LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, AND REQUIRED CLEARANCES.

Sponsored by:

Hon. Roberto L. Advincula, Hon. Horacio M. Brilantes, Jr. Hon. Palm Angel S. Buncio, Hon. Simplicio G. Dominguez, Hon. Reynaldo M. Fabian, Hon. Randy C. Francisco, Hon. Manolo S. Galvez, Jr., Hon. Rogelio M. Nolasco, Hon. Reynaldo D. Palabrica, Hon. Levy M. Tela and Hon. Ricardo F. Ugalde.

WHEREAS, the City Government of Bacoor seeks to establish cooperative and mutually beneficial relations with foreign local governments in order to promote cultural exchange, tourism development, education, local economic cooperation, environmental sustainability, technical exchange, and people-to- people friendship;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Bessines-Sur-Gartempe, France, has been identified as a proposed international local government partner for a sister-city or town-twinning relationship with Bacoor City;

WHEREAS, the proposed partnership may allow both local governments to pursue lawful and mutually beneficial cooperation in areas such as culture, music, heritage, tourism, education, youth development, local governance, environmental protection, sustainable development, and community-based exchange programs;

WHEREAS, the City of Bacoor, being known as the Marching Band Capital of the Philippines, may further promote its cultural identity, local heritage, and international goodwill through formal cooperation with Bessines-Sur-Gartempe, France;



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WHEREAS, DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2024-066, otherwise known as the Amended Guidelines on the Establishment of National and International Sister-City or Town-Twinning Program, provides that before negotiations for a possible sister-city or town-twinning agreement, the Sanggunian must pass a document authorizing the Local Chief Executive to negotiate and enter into agreements;

WHEREAS, the same Memorandum Circular provides that, for proposed international partnerships, the local government unit shall submit the required documents to the Department of the Interior and Local Government, through the Bureau of Local Government Supervision, for review and evaluation, and that the documents may be forwarded to the Department of Foreign Affairs, the National Security Council, and other concerned national government agencies for further assessment and clearance;

WHEREAS, the authority granted under this Resolution shall be exercised subject to existing laws, rules, regulations, DILG guidelines, applicable national government clearances, auditing rules, and other legal requirements;

WHEREAS, it is necessary and proper to authorize the City Mayor to represent the City Government of Bacoor in the negotiation and execution of the appropriate instrument with the Municipality of Bessines-Sur-Gartempe, France, whether in the form of a Sister-City or Town-Twinning Agreement, Memorandum of Understanding, or Memorandum of Agreement, as may be appropriate;

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion of Hon. Ricardo F. Ugalde, unanimously seconded by the rest of the City Council, **BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the 6th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite, to authorize 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;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the authority granted under this Resolution shall include the power to sign, execute, submit,



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transmit, and perform all necessary and appropriate documents, communications, and acts required for the processing, evaluation, negotiation, and implementation of the proposed sister-city or town- twinning partnership;

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that any agreement, memorandum, or instrument to be entered into by the City Mayor shall be subject to existing laws, rules, regulations, DILG Memorandum Circular No.

2024-066, applicable clearances from the Department of the Interior and Local Government, Department of Foreign Affairs, National Security Council, and other concerned national government agencies, as may be required;

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that any undertaking involving appropriation, expenditure of public funds, grant, donation, travel exchange of services, technical cooperation, or legally binding obligation shall be subject to the usual budgeting, accounting, auditing, procurement, and approval requirements under existing laws, rules, and regulations;

RESOLVED FINALLY, to furnish copies of this Resolution to the Office of the City Mayor, Office of the City Administrator, Department of the Interior and Local Government, Department of Foreign Affairs, Municipality of Bessines-Sur-Gartempe, France, and all offices concerned for their information, guidance, and appropriate action.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED this 13th day of July 2026 at Bacoor City, Cavite, during the regular session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacoor City, Cavite.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly approved in accordance with law and that all its contents are true and correct.

Certified:

HON. ADRIELITO G. GAWARAN

Acting City Vice Mayor



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MS. CRISTINA R. MALAWIG
Supervising Administrative Officer

Noted:

Catherine Sarino-Evaristo
HON. CATHERINE SARINO-EVARISTO
Acting City Mayor



Attested by:

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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (Sisterhood Agreement)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This Memorandum of Agreement (the "Agreement") is made and entered into this ____ day of _____ 2026 (the "Effective Date"), at the City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite, by and between:

The **CITY GOVERNMENT OF BACOR, CAVITE**, a local government unit existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with principal office address at Bacoor Government Center, Bacoor Boulevard, Barangay Bayanan, City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite, herein represented by its Local Chief Executive, **Hon. STRIKE B. REVILLA**, pursuant to its authority conferred and embodied in Sangguniang Panlungsod City Resolution No. _____ Series of 2026, approved on _____ by the City Council of Bacoor.

and

The **MUNICIPALITY OF BESSINES-SUR-GARTEMPE, FRANCE**, a local government authority existing under the laws of the French Republic, with principal office address at 1 Place de la Liberté, 87250 Bessines-sur-Gartempe, Bessines-sur-Gartempe, France, herein represented by its Local Chief Executive/Mayor, **HON. ANDRÉA BROUILLE**, pursuant to the authority conferred by its competent municipal council or appropriate governing authority under French law.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines recognizes local autonomy and allows local government units to coordinate their efforts, services, and resources for purposes beneficial to their communities;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, grants local government units corporate powers and the authority to enter into contracts and cooperative undertakings, subject to existing laws, rules, and regulations;

WHEREAS, the Department of the Interior and Local Government issued Memorandum Circular No. 2024-066, otherwise known as the Amended Guidelines on the Establishment of National and International Sister-City or Town-Twinning Program, which provides the requirements and procedures for national and international sister-city or town-twinning relationships;

WHEREAS, the said DILG Memorandum Circular recognizes sister-city or town-twinning as a form of local government partnership intended to promote

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City Vice Mayor
City of Bacoor

Hon. STRIKE B. REVILLA
City Mayor
City of Bacoor

ANDRÉA BROUILLE
Mayor / Local Chief Executive
Municipality of Bessines-sur-Gartempe

ROLAND LEZAUD
Vice Mayor
Municipality of Bessines-sur-Gartempe

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Hon. STRIKE B. REVILLA
City Mayor
City of Bacoor

ANDREA BROUILLE
Mayor / Local Chief Executive
Municipality of Bessines-sur-Gartempe

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Vice Mayor
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friendship, goodwill, cooperation, socio-cultural exchange, economic development, environmental cooperation, tourism, technical exchange, and other mutually beneficial areas of collaboration;

WHEREAS, Bacoor City seeks to establish an international sister-city or town-twinning relationship with Bessines-sur-Gartempe, France, for the purpose of promoting cooperation in culture, tourism, heritage, education, youth development, environmental sustainability, local governance, and people-to-people exchange;

WHEREAS, Bacoor City, known as the Marching Band Capital of the Philippines, desires to promote its cultural identity, music heritage, local tourism, and community development programs through meaningful international cooperation;

WHEREAS, Bessines-sur-Gartempe, France, as a local community with its own history, culture, heritage, and development priorities, may pursue cooperative activities with Bacoor City in areas that are mutually beneficial to both Parties;

WHEREAS, the Parties recognize that a sister-city or town-twinning relationship may strengthen friendship, mutual understanding, cultural appreciation, and practical cooperation between their respective communities;

WHEREAS, the Parties intend this Agreement to serve as a framework for cooperation, subject to the laws, rules, regulations, policies, budgetary limitations, and approval processes applicable in their respective jurisdictions;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I PURPOSE

This Agreement establishes a sister-city or town-twinning relationship between Bacoor City and Bessines-sur-Gartempe for the purpose of promoting friendship, goodwill, mutual understanding, and cooperation between the Parties and their people.

The Parties shall pursue programs and activities that are mutually beneficial, lawful, practical, and consistent with their respective development priorities.

ARTICLE II AREAS OF COOPERATION

The Parties may cooperate in the following areas:

1. OFFICIAL VISITS AND INSTITUTIONAL EXCHANGE

The Parties may facilitate official visits, courtesy calls, online meetings, study visits, and other forms of institutional exchange between their local officials, personnel, and authorized representatives.

The details of such visits, including composition of delegations, schedule, costs, and official itinerary, shall be agreed upon separately and shall be subject to applicable travel, budgeting, accounting, auditing, and administrative rules.

2. CULTURE, MUSIC, ARTS, AND HERITAGE

The Parties may promote cultural cooperation through music, arts, heritage, cultural presentations, exhibitions, publications, online cultural showcases, and similar activities.

Considering Bacoor City's identity as the Marching Band Capital of the Philippines, the Parties may explore cultural and musical exchange programs, including band performances, youth music initiatives, and community-based cultural activities.

3. TOURISM PROMOTION

The Parties may cooperate in the promotion of local tourism, heritage tourism, cultural tourism, community-based tourism, and sustainable tourism practices.

The Parties may exchange tourism materials, promotional information, best practices, and strategies for improving visitor experience and destination management.

4. EDUCATION AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

The Parties may encourage educational, youth, and community exchange programs, including school-to-school cooperation, online learning sessions, youth leadership activities, language and cultural familiarization, and other programs that promote mutual understanding.

Specific education or youth exchange programs shall be covered by separate arrangements when necessary.

5. LOCAL GOVERNANCE AND TECHNICAL EXCHANGE

The Parties may exchange best practices in local governance, public administration, public service delivery, urban management, community development, digital governance, cultural governance, and other fields of local government administration.

The Parties may conduct seminars, workshops, online conferences, technical meetings, and other capacity-building activities.

6. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

The Parties may cooperate in programs relating to environmental protection, climate resilience, waste management, disaster risk reduction, green spaces, sustainable tourism, and other environment-related initiatives.

Any technical project, donation, grant, or implementation activity shall be subject to applicable laws, regulations, and separate written agreement, if necessary.

7. LOCAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION

The Parties may encourage the sharing of information and best practices relating to local economic development, small enterprises, creative industries, local products, tourism-linked livelihood, investment promotion, and community-based economic activities.

This Agreement shall not, by itself, create any binding commercial commitment or financial obligation upon either Party.

8. COMMUNITY AND PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE RELATIONS

The Parties may encourage exchanges and cooperation among community groups, cultural organizations, civic associations, youth groups, educational institutions, tourism stakeholders, and other lawful organizations that support the objectives of this Agreement.

9. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESILIENCE

The Parties may share best practices and information on disaster preparedness, emergency response, climate adaptation, and community resilience, subject to their respective laws and institutional capacities.

10. OTHER MUTUALLY AGREED AREAS

The Parties may pursue other lawful areas of cooperation that may be agreed upon in writing, provided that such cooperation is consistent with the objectives of this Agreement and subject to applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

ARTICLE III IMPLEMENTATION

The Parties may designate focal persons or offices to coordinate the implementation of this Agreement.

For Bacoor City, the initial coordinating office shall be the Office of the City Mayor, through the Office of the City Administrator, or such other office as may be designated by the City Mayor.

For Bessines-sur-Gartempe, the coordinating office shall be the office designated by its Mayor or competent municipal authority.

Specific programs, projects, exchanges, donations, grants, technical assistance, or activities arising from this Agreement may be covered by separate written arrangements, implementation plans, letters of agreement, or supplemental agreements, as may be necessary.

ARTICLE IV FUNDING AND EXPENDITURES

This Agreement does not automatically obligate either Party to appropriate, disburse, or transfer public funds.

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Each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses in relation to activities it initiates or participates in, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing and subject to applicable budgeting, accounting, auditing, procurement, and administrative rules.

Any project, activity, grant, donation, official travel, exchange program, or expenditure involving public funds shall be subject to prior approval, availability of funds, and compliance with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, and policies of the respective Parties.

ARTICLE V COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND CLEARANCES

The implementation of this Agreement shall be subject to the Constitution, laws, rules, regulations, and policies applicable to each Party.

For Bacoor City, this Agreement and any activity arising from it shall be subject to the requirements of the Department of the Interior and Local Government, Department of Foreign Affairs, National Security Council, Commission on Audit, and other concerned national government agencies, as may be applicable.

No activity under this Agreement shall be implemented in violation of Philippine law, French law, international obligations, or applicable administrative and auditing rules.

ARTICLE VI NON-EXCLUSIVITY

This Agreement shall not prevent either Party from entering into similar agreements or cooperative arrangements with other local governments, institutions, or organizations, whether domestic or foreign, subject to applicable laws and policies.

ARTICLE VII NO AGENCY, PARTNERSHIP, OR EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating a legal partnership, joint venture, agency, employment relationship, or representation between the Parties.

Neither Party shall have authority to bind the other Party to any contract, obligation, representation, or financial commitment without prior written consent and authority.

ARTICLE VIII INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, PUBLICITY, AND USE OF NAME

The use of the name, seal, logo, emblem, or official symbols of either Party in relation to any activity under this Agreement shall require prior written approval from the concerned Party.

Any materials, publications, reports, photographs, videos, or outputs produced under this Agreement shall be used only for lawful, official, educational,

cultural, or promotional purposes, subject to the consent of the Parties and applicable laws.

ARTICLE IX DATA PRIVACY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

The Parties shall comply with applicable data privacy and confidentiality laws in the collection, processing, use, storage, sharing, and disclosure of personal information, if any, in connection with activities under this Agreement.

Any exchange of personal data or confidential information shall be subject to prior written agreement and compliance with applicable legal requirements.

ARTICLE X SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

Any difference or issue arising from the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be resolved amicably through consultation and dialogue between the Parties.

This Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of any legal requirement, governmental immunity, official procedure, or jurisdictional limitation applicable to either Party.

ARTICLE XI EFFECTIVITY AND TERM

This Agreement shall take effect upon signing by the duly authorized representatives of the Parties and upon compliance with all applicable approval, clearance, and registration requirements.

This Agreement shall remain effective for a period of **five years**, unless earlier terminated by either Party in accordance with this Agreement.

The Agreement may be renewed upon mutual written consent of the Parties, subject to applicable laws, rules, regulations, and required approvals.

ARTICLE XII AMENDMENT

This Agreement may be amended, modified, or supplemented only through a written instrument signed by the duly authorized representatives of both Parties and subject to applicable laws, rules, regulations, and approval requirements.

ARTICLE XIII TERMINATION

Either Party may terminate this Agreement by giving the other Party written notice at least **ninety days (90)** before the intended date of termination.

Termination shall not affect activities already commenced, unless the Parties agree otherwise in writing and subject to applicable laws, available funds, and public interest considerations.

**ARTICLE XIV
LANGUAGE**

This Agreement shall be executed in the English language.

The Parties may prepare a French translation for reference and administrative purposes. In case of conflict in interpretation, the English version shall prevail, unless the Parties agree otherwise in writing.

**ARTICLE XV
SEPARABILITY**

If any provision of this Agreement is declared invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain valid and effective, unless the invalid provision is essential to the purpose of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE XVI
ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement constitutes the framework agreement between the Parties concerning the sister-city or town-twinning relationship between Bacoor City and Bessines-sur-Gartempe.

Specific activities, programs, exchanges, grants, donations, technical cooperation, funding commitments, or operational undertakings shall be covered by separate agreements or implementation documents, as may be necessary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties, through their duly authorized representatives, have hereunto signed this Agreement this ____ day of _____ 2026 at _____

STRIKE B. REVILLA
Mayor
City of Bacoor
City Resolution No. 2026-____
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ANDRÉA BROUILLE
Mayor / Local Chief Executive
Municipality of Bessines-sur-Gartempe
France
Municipal Resolution No. _____
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Municipality of Bessines-sur-Gartempe
France

ACKNOWLEDGMENT
Republic of the Philippines)
City of Bacoor, Cavite) ss.

BEFORE ME, this _____ day of _____, 2026 personally appeared:

Name	Proof of identity	Issued on	At
STRIKE S. REVILLA			
ANDRÉA BROUILLE			

Known to me to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that the same is their free act and deed. This instrument refers to a Sisterhood Agreement consisting of _____ () pages, including this page where this Acknowledgement is written, signed by the parties and their instrumental witnesses on each and every page, and sealed with my notarial seal.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL:

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Page No. _____
Book No. _____
Series of 2026.