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PROFILE OF ATTY. JOEY LINA

Joey Lina served in government with distinction for 22 years as a two-term senator and two-term governor of Laguna; secretary of the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG); chairman of the Dangerous Drugs Board, National Police Commission, Local Government Academy, and Public Safety College; governor of Metro Manila and general manager of the Metro Manila Commission (now MMDA).

Youngest senator at 35 years old under the 1987 constitution, Joey Lina authored thirty five (35) landmark legislations which include the Lina Law, Barangay Day Care Law, Mandatory membership in Pag-Ibig Fund, lowering the age of majority, among others.

As governor, Laguna became the number 1 province in the country for economic development. Joey Lina was President of League of Provinces and founding president of the Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines, an umbrella organization of all leagues of local governments.

As DILG secretary, Joey championed the autonomy of local governments.

He is a distinguished tenor organizing concerts for social causes and is a print and broadcast journalist.

Presently, Joey Lina teaches constitutional and public corporation law (on leave). He is president of The Manila Hotel and MH F&B Ideas, Inc. He writes a weekly column at the Manila Bulletin. Joey is also a former TV/Radio broadcaster at ABS-CBN DZMM for 19 years.

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Jose D. Lina Jr.

"Joey Lina"

Present Private Employment

President, The Manila Hotel (2004 - present)

President, MH F&B Ideas (2013 - present)

Public Servant in Government (22 Years)

DILG Secretary (2001 - 2004)

Philippine Senator (2 terms, 1987 - 1995)

Laguna Governor (2 terms, 1995 - 2001)

Metro Manila Governor and General Manager (1986 - 1987)

Chairman, Dangerous Drugs Board (2002 - 2004)

Chairman, National Police Commission (2001 - 2004)

Chairman, Local Government Academy (2001 - 2004)

Chairman, Public Safety College (2001-2004)

Vice-Chair, Board of Trustees, Local Government Academy (2004 - 2009)

Founding President, Union of Local Authorities (1998 - 2001)

President, League of Provinces of the Philippines (1998 - 2001)

Commissioner, EDSA People Power Commission (1999 - 2003)

Chairman, CALABARZON Regional Coordinating Council (1995 - 2001)

Public Servant in the Private Sector (current)

Radio/TV Broadcaster (Golden Dove Awardee) *Sagot Ko Yan!* and *Magpayo Nga Kayo!* DZMM Public Affairs Programs on ABS CBN (2001-2021)

Weekly Columnist, *Finding Answers*, The Manila Bulletin (10 years - present)

Law Professor on Local Government and Constitutional Law for University of the Philippines, San Sebastian College (various years), Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila (PLM) (on leave), Centro Escolar University (CEU) (on leave)

Lecturer on Local Government and Housing, Local Government Academy, MCLE Sports Advocate for Grassroots Development - President, Laguna Football Association, Board of Governors, Philippine Football Federation

Singing Tenor (Raising funds for worthy causes, "Three Tenors")

A more detailed biodata follows.

Motivational Speaker/ Advocate with Expertise in

Lina Law: Principles and Practice in Housing and Resettlement
Unitary vs. Federal Systems of Government
Practice of Good Governance (Confronting Corruption)
Principles of Local Government (Applying the Local Government Code)
Mobilizing People's Organizations in Effecting Change
Public Safety and Security

Honors, Awards, and Distinctions

2017 UPAA Distinguished Alumnus Award in Public Service and Good Governance, University of the Philippines Alumni Association, August 19, 2017

Lifetime Achievement Award “for his success and achievements as a student leader, street parliamentarian, writer, lawyer, Senator, Governor, ULAP President, Cabinet member...a model worthy of emulation by the youth of the land” - National Press Club of the Philippines, 29 August 2001

TOYM Awardee, Philippines’ Ten Outstanding Young Men, Philippine Jaycees, 1992

Youngest Senator at 35 years old, 1987, No. 2 Senator in terms of accomplishment, 1995, No. 7 Senator in terms of accomplishment, 1992, Senate Policy Review Committee

Outstanding Governor, “for deep advocacy for a strong civil service and adherence to tenets of good governance,” Civil Service Commission, 1997

Most Outstanding Governor, “for incomparable achievement, sterling performance and services,” Phil. Information Agency, People’s Network and Media Communication, 1998

Best Governor in Region IV, “for outstanding contribution to peace and order,” Philippine National Police, 2000

Plaque of Recognition and Appreciation “for winning the Governorship with the highest margin in the history of Laguna and in the whole country,” Sangguniang Panlalawigan ng Laguna, 1998

KBP Golden Dove Awardee, Public Service Program Host, Kapisanan ng mga Brodcaster ng Pilipinas, for “Sagot Ko ‘Yan” radio program, DZMM ABS-CBN, 2006

Philippine Jaycees’ Presidential Award of Achievement “Create a Sports Hero” Project, 1991

Jaycees International Youth Activities Awardee & “Create a Sports Hero” Project, Jaycees World Congress, Helsinki, Finland, 1991

Special Citation, “Create a Sports Hero”, Philippine Olympic Committee (POC) & Philippine Sportswriters Association (PSA), 1993

Heroism Award, “for reviving a drowning victim,” Boy Scouts of the Phil – San Pablo City, 1997

Unique Activities

Author, *Coup D’Etat: Key Concepts, Philosophies, Elements, Consequences* Manila: Rex Publishing, 2003

Columnist, “*Finding Answers*” - Weekly, Tuesdays, The Manila Bulletin, 2015 - present

Radio/ TV Broadcaster, “*Sagot Ko ‘Yan*” (Golden Dove and PMAP Awardee) and

"Magpayo Po Kayo" Teleradyo - top-rated public service programs on DZMM on ABS-CBN, 2018-2020, 2012 - 2021; *"Oras ng Laguna"* Governor's Report to the People, DZLB, 1996 – 2000

TV Host, *"Keep Up the Good Work!"* public affairs program, RPN Channel 9, 2005 *Sa Tooto Lang*," public affairs program, ZOE – TV 11, 2000 – 2001

Faculty Member, University of the Philippines, College of Law; Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila; Central Escolar University, College of Law; San Sebastian College of Law

Lecturer, Mandatory Continuing Legal Education (MCLE), Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) - present

Principal Speaker, National Prayer Breakfast, November 2003

Singer, *Three Tenors*, Cabinet Secretaries in free concerts for public service, 2003 - 2008

Advocacies

Promotion of EFFECTIVE LOCAL GOVERNANCE

At present, in cooperation with the Local Government Academy, local government units, and socio-civic groups, lectures all over the Philippines on various aspects of effectively running the local government, and presents with deeper understanding of the differences between unitary and federalist systems of government in the Philippine context.

Promotion of HONEST AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT With the Brotherhood of Christian Businessmen and Professionals (BCBP), speaks all over the Philippines on the forum issue of Confronting Corruption, sharing concrete and practical ways of effecting honest practices in government and encouraging the business sector to be more active in preventing corruption and participating in good government.

Promotion of SOCIALIZED HOUSING FOR THE POOR

As Principal Author of the Urban Development and Housing Act (Lina Law) In cooperation with the Philippine Federation of Real Estate Service Professionals, Inc. (PFRESPI), lectures at national and regional housing conferences all over the country to help educate workers of government housing agencies, local officials, private housing professionals, and people's organizations in the correct implementation of the Urban Development and Housing Act, and to stimulate interest and investment in socialized housing projects for the poor.

Promotion of GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL AMONG FILIPINO YOUTH

As President of the Laguna Football Association and Board Member of the Philippine Football Federation, he initiated activities toward the promotion of football at the grassroots level, in cooperation with the City of Calamba, the Philippine Football Federation, and private sponsors, promoted the training of coaches and youth teams in schools and communities, including equipping and

organization of football festivals at the municipal, city, regional, national and international levels.

Promotion of SERVANT LEADERSHIP

Conducted seminars and workshops for leaders and citizens, to encourage service to others with excellence and moral integrity, guided by Jesus' ideal of servant leadership in Mark 10:43-44, "whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all."

Promotion of MALUNGGAY

Through media and in other fora, as "President" of the "Malunggay Republic", helped popularize malunggay as an indigenous, low-cost, readily available healthy food supplement for all, and as a viable product for entrepreneurial activity.

Public Offices Held

Vice-Chairman, Board of Trustees, Local Government Academy (2004 -2009)

Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government (2001 - 2004)

Chairman, National Police Commission
Chairman, Board of Trustees, Philippine Public Safety College
National Chairman, National Peace & Order Council
Chairman, Patrol '117' Commission
Co-Chairman, National Task Force Convergence
Board Member, National Economic Development Authority
Member, Cabinet Oversight Committee on Internal Security
Member, Cabinet Oversight Committee on Anti-Smuggling
Cabinet Officer for Regional Development for Region IV-A

Chairman with rank of Secretary, Dangerous Drugs Board (2002 - 2004)

Commissioner, EDSA People Power Commission (1999 - 2003)

Governor, Province of Laguna, 2 terms (1995 - 2001)

Chairman, Laguna Lake Development Authority
Chairman, CALABARZON Regional Coordinating
Council

President, League of Provinces of the Philippines (1998 - 2001)

Founding President, Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines (1998 - 2001)

Senator, Philippine Senate, 2 terms (1987 - 1995)

Assistant Majority Leader
Chairman, Committees on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement,
Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws,
Youth and Sports Development, Science and Technology

Vice-Chairman, Committees on Accountability of Public Officers (Blue Ribbon) Electoral Reforms and People's Participation, Public Works

Member, Committees on Foreign Relations, Finance, Local Government, National Defense & Security, Agrarian Reform, Cooperatives, Education, Arts, and Culture, Health, Human Rights, Peace, Unification, and Reconciliation, Public Services, Oversight on the Electric Power Crisis Act

Member, Senate Electoral Tribunal

Governor, Metro Manila (1986 - 1987)

General Manager, Metro Manila Commission (MMC)

Socio-Civic and Political Organizations

Political

Pilipino Democratic Party – Lakas ng Bayan (PDP-LABAN) Founding Member, Sec General - Luzon, Pol Education, Membership Comm, 1983 – 2001 Cory Aquino for President Movement (CAPM), Secretary-General, 1985 – 1986

Kongreso ng Mamamayang Pilipino (KOMPIL) Convenor, First

National Conference of “street parliament” organizations, 1983

Alliance of Makati Associations, Secretary-General, First “street parliament” organization of Makati businessmen, 1983

International

Inter-Parliamentary Union, 1987 – 1995

Legal

MABINI (Nationalist Lawyers Group) Board of Trustees, defense of political, civil, and human rights, 1981

Service Bureau for Small Fishermen, Volunteer Lawyer, free legal assistance to poor small-scale fishermen, 1980

Socio-Political

Pro-Life Philippines, President, Board Member, National Awardee, 1990

Federation of Free Farmers (FFF), Youth Affiliate, helped organize youth in

support of farmers' basic eco-political rights and cooperative development, 1971 Samahan Sa Ikauunlad ng Tsuper (SKIT), Youth Leader, helped organize jeepney drivers in defense of basic eco-political rights, 1971

Various Youth organizations to help urban poor defend right to decent housing in Tondo, Manila, 1970

Socio - Civic

Rotary Club, Makati Central, President, 2005

Jaycees Philippines, Manila, 1986 – 1991

Knights of Columbus, 1984

Lions Club Manila, 1981

Member, Alpha Phi Beta Fraternity
President, Laguna Football Association
Board Member, Philippine Football Federation
President, Basketball Association of the Philippines (BAP), Jul 2005 to Sep 2006
President, Philippine National Prayer Breakfast Foundation, 2004 – 2007
Supreme Commander (2005), Council of Elders, Knights of Rizal, 2006 - present
Chairman, Bayanihang Pilipino, 2006 – present, a values & savings movement
Chairman, Advocates for Servant Leadership, 2004 - present
Adviser, Board of Trustees, Philippine Foundation for Science & Technology

Foreign Travels

Philippine Representative, Afro-Asian Conference on Local Governance and Rural Development, Cairo, Egypt, 13 – 17 September 2002

Panelist, Symposium on “Combating International Terrorism: The Contribution of the United Nations (the Philippine Experience)”, Vienna, Austria, 3 – 4 June 2002

Speaker, International Conference on Small Arms and Firearms, United Nations, New York, USA, July 2001

Representative in Regional Conferences on trade, security, housing, urban development, children’s rights, sports, 1986 – 2003:

North America: US, Canada

Europe: Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Norway, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom

Middle East: Israel, Egypt, Dubai

Asia - Australia: China, Guam, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, Australia, New Zealand

South America: Chile, Colombia

Member, Inter-Parliamentary Union (1987 – 1995)

Past Private Employment

Law Practice

Founder, Lina Rivera Santos Maranan Law Office (1992 - 1995)

Founder, Lina Raro Law Firm (1985 - 1986)

Lawyer, Blanco Law Firm (1980 – 1981)

Private Business

Member, Board of Trustees, Systems Technology Institute (STI) (1992 – 1996)

President, Gardmarks Inc. (Intellectual Property Protection) (1981 - 1985)

Employment

Administrative Officer and Legal Counsel, Airfreight 2100 Inc. (1992 – 1995)

Administrative Officer and Legal Counsel, Sceptre International Forwarders (1977 – 1979)

Assistant to the Managing Partner, LC Diaz and Co. (1973 - 1975)

Educational Background

Passed the Bar Examination, 1980

Bachelor of Laws, College of Law, University of the Philippines,

1979 Chairman, College Editors Guild, 1977

Managing Editor, UP Philippine Collegian, 1977

Associate Editor, UP Philippine Collegian, 1978

Member, Order of the Purple Feather Honors Society, UP College of Law, 1976 Philippine Team, Jessup International Moot Court Competition (Third Place), Washington D.C., 1978

AB Economics, Faculty of Arts and Letters, University of Santo Tomas,

Chairman, Student Assembly, UST Artlets Student Government, 1973

1975 Founder, UST Artlets Economic Society, 1974

High School Salutatorian, Pres. Sergio Osmeña High School, Tondo, Manila, 1968 Won citywide and nationwide journalism contests

Editor-in-Chief, High School paper

PMT Corps Commander 1968

Grade School Valedictorian, Masapang Elementary School, Victoria, Laguna, 1964

Personal Information

Born 22 December 1951 in Barrio Masapang, Victoria, Laguna Married to Loretta de Jesus Atienza

Father of two sons and four daughters; five are working professionals, the youngest is a second-year college student.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS SENATOR OF THE REPUBLIC

Youngest Senator elected at the age of 35 years under the 1987 Philippine Constitution. Filed more than 338 Bills and Resolutions, of which 31 were passed into law.

On Local Government and Social Concerns

Principal Author

Incorporated Provisions in RA 7160 - Local Government Code

Restoring the power of mayors to solemnize civil marriage

Participation of the youth at different levels of government through the organization of

the Sangguniang Kabataan

Providing for membership of the Presidents of the Katipunan ng mga Barangay and the Sangguniang Kabataan Federation in the Sangguniang Panglunsod and the Sangguniang Bayan

Including the SK Chairman as an Ex-Officio member of the Sangguniang Barangay

Increasing the number of amicable disputes to be settled by the Lupon Tapamayapa

Providing for the direct election of the Punong Barangay

Exempting barangay officials from payment of tuition and matriculation fees in State Colleges, Universities, and extending the same privileges to their legitimate dependent children

Strengthening non-formal education in the country

Principal Sponsor and Author

RA 6972 - Providing a Barangay Day-Care Center for each barangay in the country

RA 6686 - Providing Christmas bonuses for all Barangay Heads

RA 7808 - Extending the Tenure of Sangguniang Kabataan

Officials RA 7846 - Providing for Free Hepatitis-B Immunization

Principal Sponsor and Co-Author

RA 7166 - Synchronization of National and Local Elections

On Youth and Sports

Principal Author

RA 7610 - Special Protection of Children Against Child Abuse, Exploitation and Discrimination Act

RA 6809 - Lowering the Age of Majority from 21 to 18

RA 6644 - Reducing the Minimum Age Requirement for Various Elective Officials

RA 8049 - Anti-Hazing Act

Incorporated Provisions on Youth and Sports in RA 7160 - Local Government Code
Observance of Annual "Boys and Girls Week" in all barangays, municipalities, cities, and provinces

Establishment of "Palaro" in all barangays, municipalities, cities and provinces as a year-round activity for children and youth.

RA 7278 - Amending the Boy Scouts Charter by strengthening the Volunteer and Democratic Character of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines

Res. No. 406, which led to the issuance of Presidential Proclamation No. 406 9

Declaring Years 1990 - 2000 as the "Decade of Physical Fitness and Sports"

Principal Sponsor and Co-Author

RA 6847 - Creating the Philippine Sports Commission

RA 7549 - Granting Tax Exemption Privileges to Donors and Donees of Awards for National Athletes

Sports Advocacies / Special Projects

"Create a Sports Hero 1" - "Adopt an Athlete" project with the Philippine Jaycees, created "SPORTS HEROES" to inspire our citizenry. The project matched

national athletes with “Ninongs” in the business sector, raised P3M, adopted 135 national athletes & 58 coaches, who received financial, moral, social, spiritual and psychological support during their training. Project won an International Award in Helsinki Finland, besting 81 other countries.

"Create a Sports Hero 2" - Project with the Philippine Jaycees to support national athletes to the 17th SEA Games in Singapore. Raised P64 M, adopted 442 national athletes & 70 coaches who won 188 medals for the country in 1993.

1st Philippine Sports Summit, Baguio City - First Consultative National Congress on Sports where local and national leaders nationwide came together to draft 33 resolutions. President Fidel Ramos signed Executive Order No. 63 (policy of "SPORTS FOR ALL") and No. 64 (creating the National, Regional, Provincial, City, Municipal, and Barangay Physical Fitness and Sports Development Councils nationwide.

"Akbayan" - a nationwide torch relay to mark the start of the Decade of Physical Fitness and Sports Development (1990-2000), to increase awareness of the value of physical fitness and sports development in creating a healthy and alert citizenry. More than 1 million runners joined the culminating run in Luneta.

"SEAG TORCH RUN '91" mobilized all stakeholders in both government and private sectors to support a unified citizen's support force for national athletes and to generate interest in preparation for the Philippine hosting of the 1991 SEA Games, where the Philippines placed second with the highest record haul of 91 gold medals.

On Housing, Environment, and Urban Development

Principal Author

Incorporated Provisions on housing and community planning in RA 7160 -
Local Government Code:

Requiring the city, municipal and provincial Sanggunian to undertake housing projects in their respective jurisdictions

Providing for a water system in every municipality

Providing for a safe and integrated waste disposal system in every municipality

Mandating LGUs to set aside portion of their territory for forest parks

Principal Author

RA 7279 - Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992 (LINA LAW)

RA 6846 - Creating the Abot-Kaya Pabahay Fund

RA 6643 - Extending the Rent Control Law

Principal Sponsor and Author

RA 7835 - PAG- IBIG Fund Mandatory Membership for those receiving
a salary of more than P 4, 000.00 monthly

Sponsor and Co-Author

RA 6829 - Extending the Rent Control Law

Advocacy

Organization of various housing associations to assist needy sectors (Senate employees, teachers, government employees, among others) in applying housing laws in order to build and acquire their own homes;

The Senate Housing Program - provided house and lots to Senate employees through GSIS.

Mobilization of business and education sectors for an "Adopt a School" Program to address the immediate need for massive schoolhouse construction in affected areas immediately after the 1991 earthquake

On Peace and Order and National Security

Principal Sponsor and Author

RA Z392 - Philippine Midwifery Act of 1992

RA 7877 - Anti-Sexual Harassment Act

Principal Sponsor and Co-Author

RA 6968 - Punishing the Crime of Coup d' Etat

RA 6826 - Granting Emergency Powers to President Corazon C. Aquino in view of the Coup d'etat

RA 6832 - Creating the Davide Fact-Finding Commission

Principal Sponsor and Co-Author

RA 6949 - Declaring March 8 of Every Year as National Women's Day

On National Moral Renewal

Principal Author

Joint Resolution No. 14, which led to the issuance of Presidential Proclamation No. 830 Declaring December 14, 1991, as "National Day of Prayer and Renewal"

Advocacies

Legislative initiatives towards phasing out legalized gambling as source of government revenues, 1989

Initiated formation of a Bible sharing group among Senators and Representatives, 1990 -1994

On Science and Technology

Principal Author

RA 7459 - Inventors' Incentives Act of 1992

Advocacy

Mobilized the business and science sectors into establishing a Foundation to build and operate a Science Centrum to provide fun, hands-on interactive exhibits of basic science and technology principles for Filipino children, 1988

ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS DILG SECRETARY

Local Government: Decentralization and Local Autonomy

Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA)

Immediate, automatic, and full release of IRA directly to LGUs

Release of P34.5 billion unreleased or withheld IRA for 1998-2001
Addition of P30 billion (2006-2008) IRA collected by LGUs

Repeal of Executive Orders (EO No. 9 repealed EO Nos. 189, 190, and 250) which put restrictions on use of LGU Development Fund, CY 2001

Recall of DILG Memorandum Circulars that required prior approval of the DILG Secretary before LGUs can obtain a loan to purchase heavy equipment

Removal of P15B Local Government Service Equalization Fund (LGSEF) which were cut from IRA

On Travel Authority

Approval of travel orders delegated to SILG from OP

Devolved issuance of travel orders to Governors and City Mayors

Anti – Red Tape Project

Transparent and uniform application of rules and regulations for all LGUs for business permits, building permits, certificates of occupancy, and real property documents. 115 cities and 455 municipalities adopted Simplified Applications Systems, One - Stop Shop Processing Centers and Customer Complaints Desks

LGU Capability Building Programs

More training and seminars for local officials and leagues to equip them to be effective political, economic, and development managers. 703 LGUs formulated Gender and Development Plans. 25 cities had improved services through Social Development Centers for street and urban working children.

Local Government Performance Measurement

Enhanced and integrated measurement tools to gauge LGU productivity, performance, and citizen satisfaction over time

Best Practices programs in partnership with local and international organizations

Access to Finance Facilities for Basic Services of Low Income LGUs

Arranged finance for bridge construction in 111 municipalities and 13 cities

Mindanao Basic Urban Services Sector Project

Strengthened Barangay as Service Point for Information

Put up Gabay sa Mamamayan Action Centers (GMAC) in 38,262 Barangays Access to information and referral at barangay level on local and national

government programs, job opportunities, financial and legal assistance

Direct assistance to ordinary citizens, esp. the poor, through open house days and live phone-ins on national radio program "Sagot Ko 'Yan" 11,485

persons served,

Promoted Community Based Economic Projects

Bayanihan Savings Replication Project

2,643 Bayanihan centers organized in 449 cities/ municipalities

67,448 citizens reached with P19 million Bayanihan funds

generated from savings.

Kalinga sa Kabataan Program

Emergency employment for 20,000 OSYs and OWYs in KALAHI

areas Livelihood training for 9,500 OSYs

Interior: Civil Defense against Coup D' Etat, Terrorism and Destabilization

Patrol 117 Emergency Telephone Response Project

This local version of '911' had 176 hotlines in 44 cities nationwide, average response time to emergencies was 6.47 minutes, state-of-the-art telecommunication centers in 8 cities

Intensified Campaign Against Criminality

Tanod Professionalization Program for 500,000 Barangay Tanods

Barangay Anti-Drug Abuse Committees (BADAC) formed in 35,655 barangays

Dismantling of shabu laboratories, confiscation of billions worth of shabu

Organized Barangay Health Emergency and Response Teams (BHERT) - Anti-SARS and Epidemics

Revitalized Barangay Peace and Order Committees (BPOCs)

Enabled formulation of peace & order and public safety plans in all barangays

On illegal drugs

Php 30.6 B worth of illegal drugs confiscated, 19 illegal drug labs dismantled

Lakbay Kontra Droga Nationwide Caravan - heightened citizens' mobilization

and media drive against illegal drugs

Arrest of more than 100,000 drug pushers, users, drug personalities

On illegal gambling

Worked for passage of R.A. 9282 - increases penalties for Illegal numbers

game. Arrest of approx. 20,000 persons involved in illegal gambling

Professionalization of the Uniformed Services

19,435 new policemen added to the PNP

Salary standardization of PNP Personnel, at par with teachers

Fire and Jail servicemen's salaries at par with Police

DILG Administration

31% savings - Top Department in Generating Savings

Savings of P 50.6 M with Government Electronic Procurement System
Transparency and Accountability in all DILG public biddings, with participation of Makati Business Club, NGOs, and Council of the Laity in the Philippines in the bidding process (Now template for Church participation in biddings)
Strict adherence to Civil Service Commission Career Executive Service in all appointments.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS GOVERNOR, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA

Made Laguna the number one province in the country

First province to surpass the P1 Billion income level in 1999;

increased provincial income from P61 Million in 1990 to P 1.8 Billion in 2001.
Laguna earned a total of P6.5 Billion(1995-2001).

First in tax collections

in 1999 (*BLGF-Department of Finance Report (DOF) Financial Statement of Income and Expenditures of Provinces) in terms tax collections from Real Property, Business, Other taxes, Service Charges, and Economic Enterprises.

Number one province in terms of expenditures spent on providing quality basic services

to ensure the general welfare of the people under the principles of transparency, accountability and good governance.

Number one province in terms of having the lowest IRA dependency rate

at 41.9% in 1991, where the average IRA dependency rate for Provinces was at 77%. *Number one in manufactured exports.*

Instituted and implemented a 21-Point Development Program for Laguna

in partnership with the Kapatirang Lingap sa Nayon, business sector and other stakeholders, to wit: Moral Recovery, Livelihood and Cooperative, Employment & Manpower Dev't, Environment Protection, Health and Nutrition, Peace and Order, Education, Tourism, Land Use and Urban Planning, Youth Welfare, Sports, Science and Technology, Agricultural Productivity, Trade and Commerce, Infrastructure, Program for Children, Women and Family, Program for Elderly and Senior Citizens, Solid Waste Management, Traffic Engineering and Management, Telecommunications, Water and Energy, Finance, Ways and Means.

Laguna Awards during his tenure

Most Outstanding Province in the Philippines (National Press Club, KBP), 1998 Most Outstanding Province in Southern Tagalog Region "for its implementation of community development programs, as well as improving the quality of life of the people" (PACD, DILG), 1998

Outstanding in Real Property Tax Collection in Region IV, for 3 years, 1995 -1997

Highest in Real Property Tax Collection among 78 provinces, 1995- 2000

Highest Job Generation in the country, 1995 - 2000

Highest Investment in Light and Medium Industry, 1995 - 2000

Nutrition Green Banner Award, Outstanding Province in Region IV (National Nutrition Council, Department of Agriculture), 1996

Outstanding Province in Agriculture - won 41 of 41 categories, Regional Search (Dept. of Agriculture, Lipa City), 1998

Outstanding Province in Agriculture - won 34 out of 37 categories, Regional Search (Dept. of Agriculture, Lipa City), 1997

Most Outstanding Local Government Unit of Region IV (Dr. Jesus C. Azurin Award) by the Department of Health, 1997

Champion, - DILG-LGUlympics (Iloilo City) July 1997

Champion, Philippine National Games (Cebu City) December

1997 Champion, Timex Triathlon (Cebu City) July 1997

Champion (Secondary & Elementary Division) Southern Tagalog

Champion, Regional Athletic Association (Cavite City), 1999 and 2000

Batang Pinoy Champion, 1999 and 2000

ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS FOUNDING PRESIDENT, UNION OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES OF THE PHILIPPINES

Institutionalized ULAP through its official recognition under EO No. 351

Institutionalized ULAP Capability Building Fund benefiting all its 1.2 Million members

Provided for a permanent office for ULAP and LPP

Established ULAP, LPP, and the Leagues as a duly recognized strong lobby group on national and local issues affecting local governments:

Lobbied for release of IRA collected by LGUs but cut by Congress and Executive Dept (P64.5B)

Lobbied for DBM to adopt the proper interpretation of the law in computing the 40% LGU share, from P56 B (1996) to P71B (1997).

Advocated DBM "Modified Disbursement Scheme" ensuring timely automatic release of the full IRA share to LGUs

Caused the Presidential veto of special provisions in the General Appropriations Act (GAA -1999) requiring "prior approval" or "prior concurrence" of members of Congress

prior to release of funds by the Executive Department, estimated to have amounted to P40 B

Introduced IRA Monetization Program

Based on Supreme Court rulings, floated ULAP bonds as an innovative alternative for National Government release of IRA cuts in the GAA

Advocated for Supreme Court declaration that any form of IRA cut is unconstitutional resulting in the following rulings and orders:

G.R. No. 132988 (July 19, 2000) - SC ruling that A.O. 372 and 43 cutting the IRA was unconstitutional

G.R. No. 144256 (October 2001) - Supreme Court ruled that Congress' setting aside IRA to Unprogrammed Funds was unconstitutional

G.R. No. 152774 (May 27, 2004) - SC ruled that the LGSEF set aside by Congress as IRA cut is unconstitutional

Executive Order No. 723 (May 12, 2008) - President ordered the release of unreleased IRA of LGUs due to the reenactment of the national budget in 2001 and 2004.

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