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Excerpt from the journal of the 57th Regular Session of the 12th Council of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, City of Bacolod held on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at the Session Hall of Bacolod City Government Center.

PRESENT:

Vice Mayor Claudio Jesus Raymundo A. Puentevella	Presiding Officer
Councilor Al Victor A. Espino	Floor Leader
Councilor Caesar Z. Distrito	
Councilor Israel P. Salanga	
Councilor Em L. Ang	
Councilor Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson	
Councilor Jason Isidro S. Villarosa	
Councilor Celia Matea R. Flor	
Councilor Dindo C. Ramos	
Councilor Roberto M. Rojas	
Councilor Wilson C. Gamboa, Jr.	
Councilor Psyche Marie E. Sy	
Councilor Homer Q. Bais	
Councilor Danna Marie C. Barzo	
Councilor Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen	

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RESOLUTION NO. 914
Series of 2026

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1897, ENTITLED "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION REGULATION ACT".

Upon motion of Floor Leader Al Victor A. Espino, jointly seconded by Councilors Caesar Z. Distrito and Roberto M. Rojas, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod

RESOLVED, to pass the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10591, otherwise known as the "Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act," serves as the primary legal framework governing the ownership, possession, manufacture, and importation of firearms and ammunition in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 1897, introduced by Senator Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri during the First Regular Session of the 20th Congress of the Republic of the Philippines, seeks to amend RA 10591 to promote responsible ownership while streamlining administrative and licensing processes;

WHEREAS, effective gun regulation is a vital pillar of public policy, essential for maintaining civil order, preventing violent crime, and safeguarding the safety and wellbeing of all citizens;

WHEREAS, the proposed measure streamlines administrative processes by aligning licensing timelines with Republic Act No. 11032 (Ease of Doing Business Act), establishing a Ten-year validity periods for manufacturing and dealing licenses;

WHEREAS, the bill expands exemptions from threat assessment certificates for specific high-risk professions and occupations, including Lawyers, Certified Public Accountants, Media Practitioners, Healthcare workers, Engineers, Reservists, and Law enforcement or military personnel;

WHEREAS, the measure adjusts allowable ammunition limits to realistic operational levels-up to 250 rounds per firearm for regular license holders and up to 2,500 rounds per firearm for licensed sports shooters;

WHEREAS, the legislation provides clear procedures for the legal transfer, sale, or tax-exempt donation of firearms upon the death or legal incapacity of a licensee; and

WHEREAS, the bill declares a One (1) year Firearms Amnesty period to encourage registration and legal compliance without subjecting applicants to delinquent payment penalties.

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 1897 effectively balances public safety imperative with the constitutional and statutory recognition of a citizen's right to protect life and property;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, in session duly assembled, to express support for Senate Bill No. 1897, entitled "An Act amending Republic Act No. 10591, as amended, otherwise known as the 'Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act".

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative:

Councilors : Caesar Z. Distrito, Em L. Ang, Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson, Jason Isidro S. Villarosa, Celia Matea R. Flor, Dindo C. Ramos, Roberto M. Rojas, Wilson C. Gamboa, Jr., Psyche Marie E. Sy, Homer Q. Bais, Al Victor A. Espino, Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen, Danna Marie C. Barzo.

Negative : N o n e .

Comments : P a s s e d .
Councilor Israel P. Salanga was not around when this resolution was passed.

CLAUDIO JESUS RAYMUNDO A. PUENTEVELLA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. VICENTE C. PETIERRE III
Secretary to the Sanggunian

VCP/CGT/llt