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Refer To: Committee on Laws and Justice and
Human Rights
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June 24, 2026

HON. IRA MINETTE C. PIMENTEL
Municipal Vice Mayor

and

HON. MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN
Tago, Surigao del Sur

**SUBJECT: REPLY TO THE RESPONSE DECLINING TO ACT ON THE
REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF RECORD**

Dear Hon. Vice Mayor and Members of the Sangguniang Bayan:

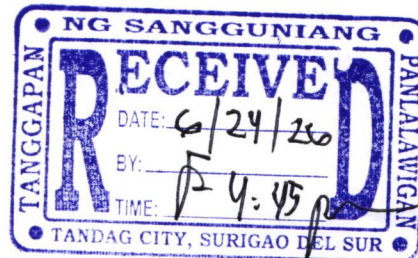
We respectfully submit this Reply/Manifestation in response to the statement that Administrative Case No. 02-2025 has already become final and executory, and that no further correction may be made.

At the outset, we clarify that our request is not an appeal, motion for reconsideration, or attempt to reopen the merits of the case. We are not asking this Honorable Body to reverse the decision on the merits. We are asking only for the correction of a materially inaccurate recital of record in the Decision dated March 9, 2026, which attributes to the complainants alleged “**notable admissions**” during the pre-trial conference that were never made and do not appear in the transcript or minutes of proceedings.

The finality of a decision does not prevent the correction of a clerical or record-based error that makes the written decision speak something different from what actually transpired. Philippine jurisprudence recognizes exceptions to immutability, including correction of clerical errors and nunc pro tunc entries that cause no prejudice to any party.

Here, the issue is narrow and objective: whether the Decision correctly reflects the events during the pre-trial conference. If the transcript and official minutes do not contain the alleged admissions, then the challenged recital is not a matter of judgment on the merits but a misstatement of the record.

The response assumes that because the decision has become final, every request related to it is automatically barred. That is too broad. Finality bars an ordinary appeal,



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but it does not necessarily bar correction of an erroneous recital that is demonstrably inconsistent with the official record, especially where the correction would not alter the substantive disposition of the case.

We therefore respectfully submit that the requested relief falls within the limited exception allowing a body to make its records speak the truth. Our request does not seek a new evaluation of evidence, a reweighing of arguments, or a substitution of findings. It seeks only the removal or correction of statements that were never admitted and were never recorded as admissions.

In view of the foregoing, we respectfully pray that this Honorable Body:

1. **Take note** that our request is a limited manifestation for correction of record, not an appeal or motion to reconsider the merits;
2. **Clarify or rectify** the Decision dated March 9, 2026 insofar as it states that the complainants made the enumerated "notable admissions" during the pre-trial conference, since no such admissions were made or recorded; and
3. **Issue a certification or clarification** that the transcript and minutes of the pre-trial conference do not contain the alleged admissions attributed to the complainants.

This request is made in the interest of accuracy, fairness, and integrity of the official record.

We are available to meet at your convenience to discuss this matter further. Please contact us at +639270319908.

Respectfully submitted,


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