



Republic of the Philippines  
Region IV-A (CALABARZON)  
Province of Cavite  
CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS  
OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

**CITY ORDINANCE NO. 16-15 (SPECIAL)**

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**ADOPTING THE NEW OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS.**

**WHEREAS, an official city seal is the symbol of a city's identity, historical heritage, and the aspirations of its people;**

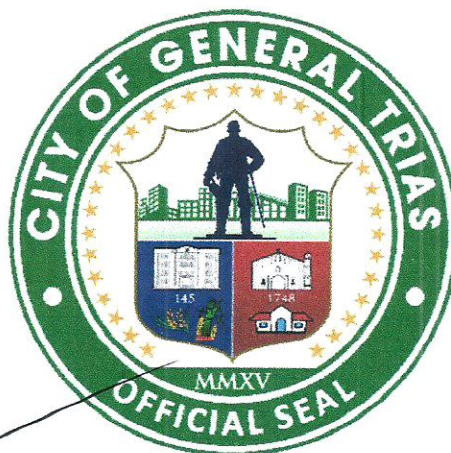
**WHEREAS, the City Government commissioned the Office of the City Mayor to conduct a competition on the search for the best and meaningful design for the Official Seal of the City;**

**WHEREAS, on 17 February 2016, besting 18 other contestants, Ralph Edron Dangué and Bricks Dolorido's logo entry was adjudged the 1<sup>st</sup> prize winner in the said competition having represented well the most distinguishing features of the City;**

**WHEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Kerby J. Salazar duly seconded by SP Member Hernando M. Granados,**

**Be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod that:**

**Section 1. NEW OFFICIAL SEAL. There shall be adopted a new Official Seal of the City of General Trias, which is illustrated below with the following symbols and their corresponding meanings:**



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	<p><b>General Mariano Trias y Closas (October 12, 1868-February 22, 1914) – considered to be the first de facto Philippine Vice President of the Revolutionary Government, with General Emilio Aguinaldo as its President, established at the Tejeros Convention. He also served as the Minister of War and Finance. He was also appointed as the Commanding General of Southern Luzon.</b></p> <p><b>In June 11, 1901, he was appointed as the first Civil Governor of Cavite by Civil Governor William Howard Taft. He also founded the Nacionalista Party Chapter in Cavite. He died of appendicitis at the Philippine General Hospital on February 22, 1914 while he was the Acting Governor of Cavite. His remains were transferred in General Trias City in 1923 from Manila.</b></p>
	<p><b>Buildings – symbolized the emergence of General Trias as one of the first-class Component City within the Province of Cavite, attesting its readiness to develop business districts, as well as, high-rise residential and commercial edifices, modernly crafted to cater the advancement of its constituents’ interests and benefits, exhibiting competitiveness and parity to economic development.</b></p>
	<p><b>33 Stars – represented the thirty-three (33) Barangays of the City of General Trias.</b></p>
	<p><b>City Hall of General Trias – a modern structure which houses various offices of the City Government of General Trias (formerly named San Francisco de Malabon), including the Office of the City Mayor, the Vice Mayor and Members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod. The seat of power and the center of development and progress.</b></p>
	<p><b>Saint Francis of Assisi Parish Church, General Trias – commonly known as the General Trias Church is the first Catholic Parish Church of the City of General Trias, established by the Franciscans in 1611 (Spanish Colonial Period) when General Trias was still a visita or sub-parish of Cavite Viejo (now, Kawit) in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of the City of General Trias.</b></p> <p><b>In 1624, it was transferred to the Jesuit order of Cavite Puerto (now, Cavite City) and became a separate parish on September 9, 1753.</b></p> <p><b>The first stone church was built in 1769 under the headship of Doña Maria Josepha de Yrizzari y Ursula, Countess of Lizarraga. It was enlarged and renovated in 1834. Luzon earthquakes damaged this Church in 1880-1892 prompting its refurbishment and enlargement in 1893. The restoration of the Church was also made in 1989-1991 and was again consecrated on June 22, 1991 by Most Reverend Felix P. Perez of the Diocese of Imus, the diocese that has jurisdiction of Saint Francis of Assisi Parish Church.</b></p>

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	<b>This number symbolized the place of General Trias as the 145<sup>th</sup> City of the Republic of the Philippines in view of Republic Act No. 10675: An Act Converting the Municipality of General Trias in the Province of Cavite Into a Component City to be Known as the City of General Trias.</b>
	<b>Originally named after its patron, Saint Francis of Assisi, 1181-1226, San Francisco de Malabon was founded in December 13, 1748.</b>
	<b>Rice – the primary crop of the City of General Trias.</b>
	<b>Bamboo Shoot – the name Malabon was derived from either Labong (bamboo shoot) or mayabong (luxuriant), referring to the trees and other plants abounding the place. At any rate, the first reference seems to be more probable than the second because General Trias, a noted writer, adopted the nom de guerre “labong”, a word which he often used in his writings and conversations.</b>
	<b>Casa Hacienda De Tejeros – the historical significance of this place is undoubted. In a Revolutionary Assembly held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 1897, the Central Revolutionary Government was established and elected Emilio Aguinaldo as the President; Mariano Trias as the Vice President; Artemio Ricarte as the Captain General; Emiliano Riego de Dios as the Director of War; and Andres Bonifacio as the Director of the Interior. Certain events arising in the Convention caused Bonifacio to bolt its action.</b>
	<b>The year when the Municipality of General Trias was converted into a component city as provided in Republic Act No. 10675.</b>
	<b>The coat of arms or shield contains the colors of the Philippine Flag which symbolizes the City’s submission to the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, as well as the desire to coexist with other cities and municipalities under one sovereign government.</b>

**Section 2. USE OF NEW OFFICIAL SEAL.** The new Official Seal described herein shall henceforth be, or cause to be printed, stamped or sewn, exclusively in all city government stationeries, identification cards, official documents, banners, signs, posters and other similar materials as authorized by the City Mayor or the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

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**Section 3. PROHIBITION.** It shall be unlawful for any private person, natural or juridical, to use, deface, desecrate or make fun of the new Official Seal of the City of General Trias.

**Section 4. PENALTY CLAUSE.** Any person, natural or juridical, found violating the provision of Section 3 hereof shall be punished with a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5 000.00) or an imprisonment of not less than two (2) years or more than seven (7) years, or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the Court.

**Section 5. REPEALING CLAUSE.** The provision of existing Ordinance inconsistent hereof is hereby deemed modified, amended or repealed accordingly.

**Section 6. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after posting in three (3) conspicuous places within the City or after publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ENACTED under THIRD/FINAL READING on 08 NOVEMBER 2016.

  
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