



## **Okada Foundation, Inc. joins commemoration of Gen. Miguel Malvar's 159 birth anniversary, announces P3-M donation to museum**

STO. TOMAS CITY, September 27, 2024 – At the commemoration of revolutionary war hero General Miguel Malvar's 159th birth anniversary, the Okada Foundation, Inc. (OFI) announced its plans to donate P3 million pesos to the Museo ni Miguel Malvar in Sto. Tomas City, Batangas.

OFI President James Lorenzana shared the news in his address at the ceremony. "This donation serves to support the improvement and maintenance of the museum, and further develop the ways we can immerse ourselves in and learn more about the amazing life, story, and values of General Miguel Malvar," said Lorenzana.

Lorenzana expressed hope that Malvar's example "lives on with the youth, in their efforts to build a brighter future."

The Museo ni Miguel Malvar is one of the 28 museums under the oversight of the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP). NHCP Executive Director Carminda Arevalo expressed the commission's gratitude for OFI's donation, pointing out that "while we get [NHCP's] funding from the national government, this form of support is significantly helpful to us in fulfilling our mandate."

"The Okada Foundation's donation will provide remarkable support in keeping the memory of General Miguel Malvar alive, and contribute towards his recognition throughout our history," she added. "Rest assured that the public will benefit from and enjoy the new additions to the museum that the grant will produce."

The symbolic turnover of a replica of Gen. Miguel Malvar's revolver also followed, handed over by Lorenzana to the NHCP executive director.

OFI's donation to the museum will go towards the production of dioramas, replicas of historical documents and artifacts, documentaries, and other media that would improve the exhibition of Museo ni Miguel Malvar. Included among these are some of the war hero's personal effects, such as his weapons, embellishments, and accessories.

"On behalf of the Okada Foundation's Board of Trustees, it is an honor to participate in the commemoration of General Miguel Malvar, and to pay homage to his life, his extraordinary bravery, and the legacy of patriotism and sacrifice that he has left behind," said Lorenzana.

The OFI president, additionally, also called for the continued cooperation of the public and the private sector. "This contribution is in line with one of the tenets of the Okada Foundation -- to act as stewards of our culture and history, and help the government effectively curate and preserve our rich history," said Lorenzana. "May we continue to build upon this fruitful partnership, and pave the way for more impactful projects."

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#### **About the Okada Foundation, Inc.:**

The Okada Foundation, Inc. is committed to providing assistance to three key sectors, namely, Education Infrastructure, Environment and Health, and Cultural Heritage. It, likewise, maintains working partnerships with like-minded organizations to provide services for the underprivileged and marginalized sectors of society.

To this end, Okada Foundation, Inc. has established itself as one of the most generous organizations in the country, undertaking numerous projects to uplift lives and communities.

For more information on the initiatives of Okada Foundation, Inc., visit the Okada Manila site at: <https://www.okadamanila.com/>.



*The Okada Foundation, Inc. President James Lorenzana leads the symbolic turnover of a replica of General Miguel Malvar's revolver at the Museo ni Miguel Malvar during the revolutionary hero's 159th birth anniversary commemoration. The revolver, which will be exhibited, is a part of the foundation's P3-million donation to the museum.*



*Senator Francis Tolentino was among the dignitaries at the commemoration of General Miguel Malvar's 159th birth anniversary at Sto. Tomas City, Batangas.*





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*Okada Foundation, Inc. President James Lorenzana joins Sto. Tomas City LGU officials, National Historical Commission of the Philippines representatives, and descendants of Gen. Miguel Malvar at the commemoration of the revolutionary hero's 159th birth anniversary.*