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JOSÉ RIZAL
(1861-1896)

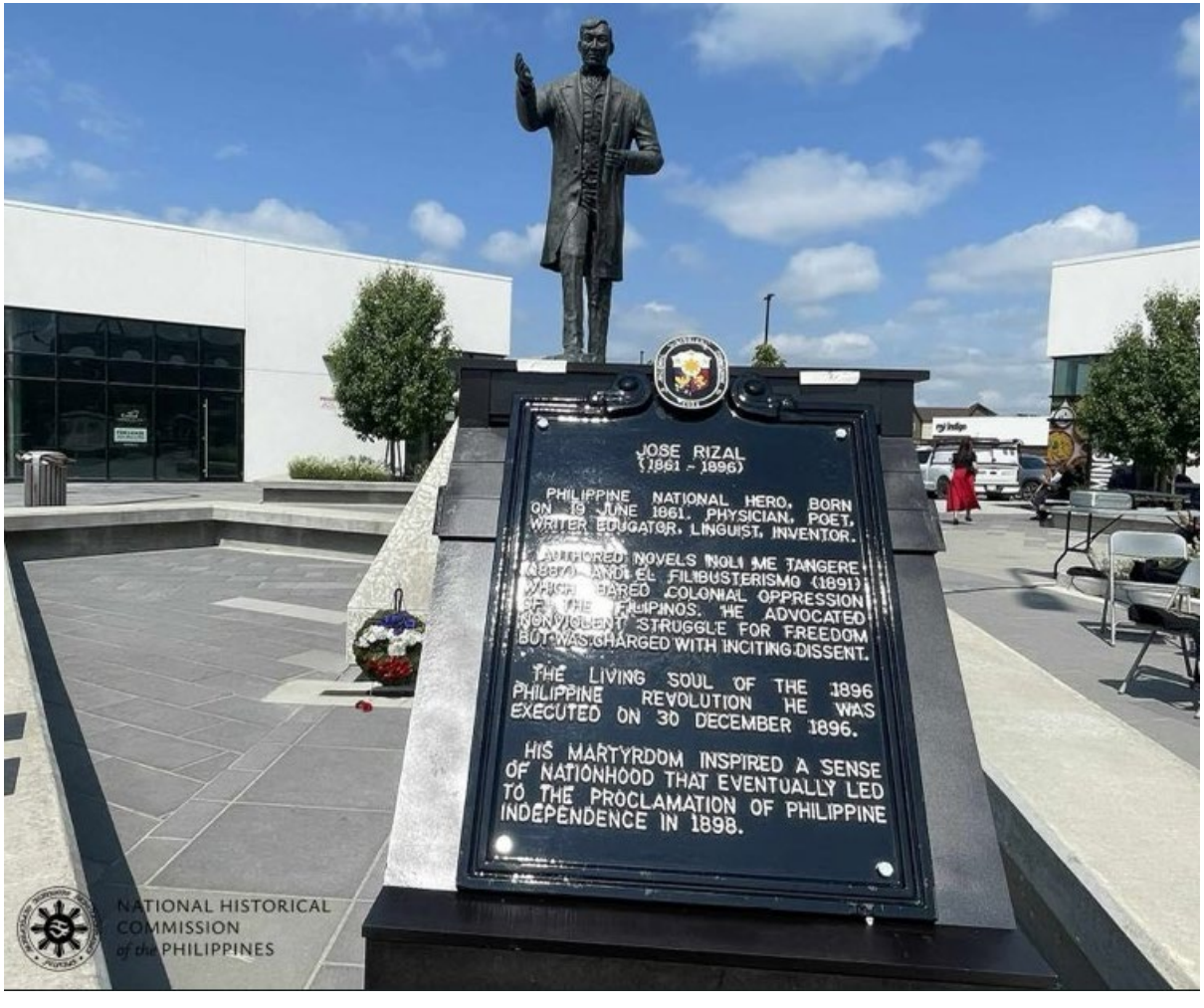
HISTORICAL MARKER

In commemoration of the 164th Birth Anniversary
of Dr. Jose Rizal

19 June 2025, Thursday, 11:00 am
José Rizal Monument
Dr. Jose Rizal Way, Winnipeg, Canada

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José Rizal

1891 - 1896
Historical Marker

Weight: ~ 80 kilos
Dimension: ~ 42 x 28 x 2 in



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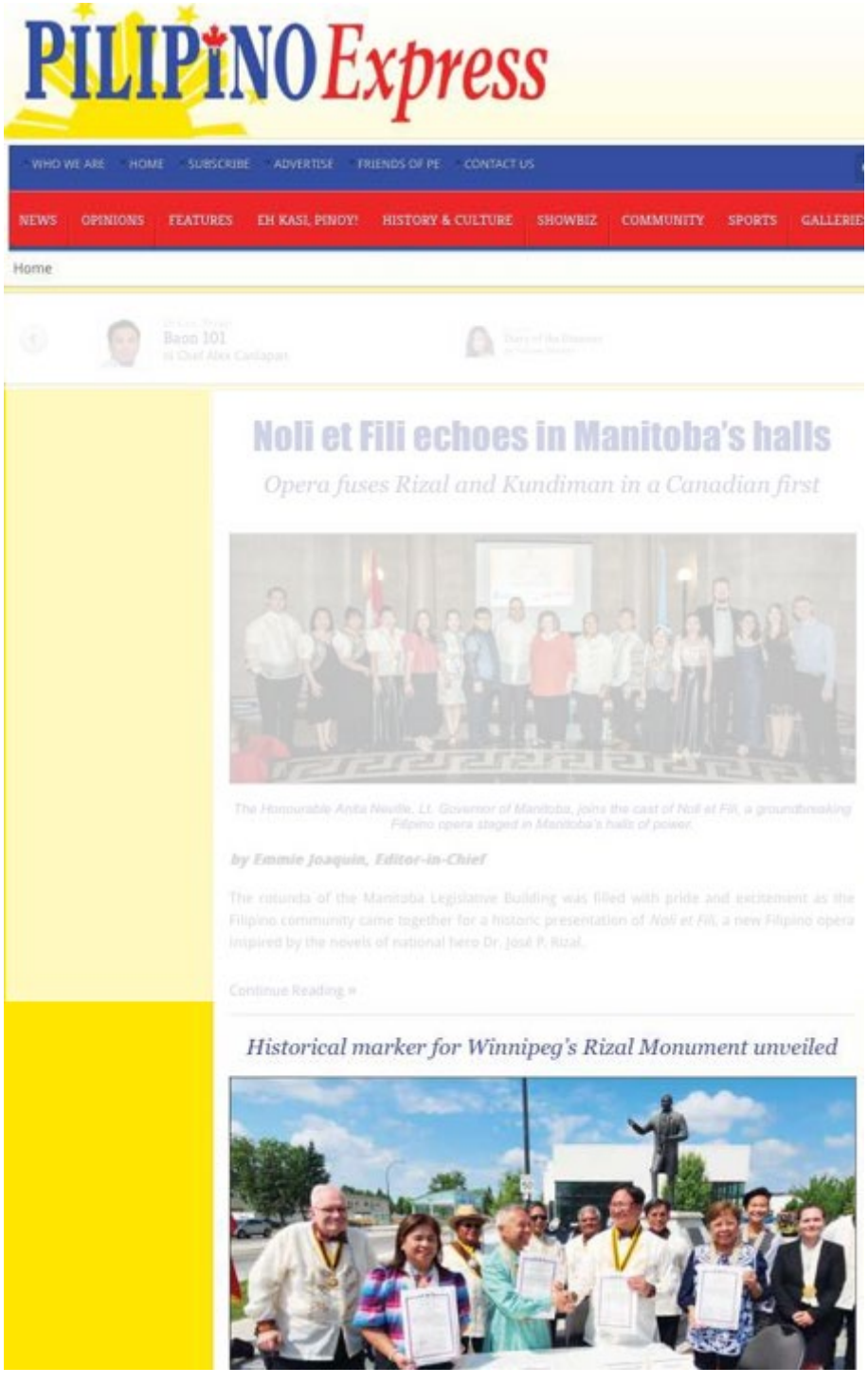








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Winnipeg Chapter Commander

Historical marker for Winnipeg's Rizal Monument unveiled

In a celebration of the 164th birth anniversary of Dr. José P. Rizal, a historical marker was officially unveiled on June 19, 2025, at the José Rizal Monument located along Dr. José Rizal Way in Winnipeg.

This unveiling represents a significant cultural milestone for the Filipino community in Manitoba. The historical marker, a meaningful gift from the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), not only affirms the enduring legacy of the Philippine national hero but also deepens the symbolic ties between the Philippines and Canada.

With the addition of this marker, the statue of Dr. José Rizal, standing proudly at the corner of Dr. José Rizal Way and Old Commonwealth Path, joins the ranks of official historic Rizal monuments around the world, commemorating the hero's sacrifice and unwavering love for the Philippines.

The ceremony was led by the Winnipeg Chapter of the Knights of Rizal (KOR), under the leadership of Western Canada Regional Commander Felino De Jesus and Deputy Regional Commander Erwin Aguinea. The program began with a solemn wreath-laying at the foot of the monument, followed by welcome remarks from Point Douglas Councillor Vivian Santos, Tyndall Park MLA Cindy Lamoureux, and Philippine Honourary Consul Ronaldo Opina.

Adding prestige to the event was the presence of NHCP Chairperson Regalado Trota Jose Jr. and Executive Director Carminda R. Arevalo, who travelled from the Philippines to personally present the historical marker. The official signing of the Certificate of Transfer and Acceptance took place during the ceremony, with Ray Anthony Sator accepting the marker on behalf of the Knights of Rizal.

Also in attendance were Manitoba Labour and Immigration Minister Malaya Marcelino, Philippine Heritage Council of Manitoba President Perla Javate, Ladies of the Knights of Rizal President Julie Javier, and Event Director Ellen Samonte. The program was emceed by KOR member Dante Aviso.

The successful acquisition and installation of the historical marker stemmed from efforts initiated in March 2022 by Joanne Viviezca and Consul General Orantes Castro. Their work, along with the coordination and follow-through of KOR Winnipeg Chapter Commander Ray Sator, helped bring this vision to reality.

The newly installed marker stands not only as a tribute to Dr. Rizal's enduring ideals but also as a lasting symbol of the vibrant Filipino presence and cultural heritage in Winnipeg.





The historical marker



Chair Regalado Trota Jose Jr. National Historical Commission of the Philippines

Honourable Malaya Marcelino Labour and Immigration Minister

Lady Vivian Santos Councillor, Point Douglas

Cindy Lamoureux MLA for Tyndal Park

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Sir Ray Anthony Sator, Winnipeg Chapter Commander, Knights of Rizal

Sir Ronald Mervin Sison Knights of Rizal

Sir Dante Aviso Knights of Rizal

Sir Felino De Jesus, Western Canada Region Commander, Knights of Rizal

Additional amenities installed in Dr. Jose Rizal Park

On Saturday June 14, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. City Councillor Devi Sharma gathered with the Knights of Rizal, Councillor Brian Mayes, Councillor Vivian Santos, and area residents to celebrate the many improvements that have been added to Dr. Jose Rizal Park located at 111 Sewa Crescent. On hand for the celebration from the Knights of Rizal was Chapter Commander Sir Ray Anthony Sator, and Deputy Chapter Commander Sir Mohamed Alli who managed the project.

It was a beautiful summer day, children having fun on the play equipment and adults chatting under the shade structure connecting with their neighbours. Ice cream and samosas were enjoyed by all.

Improvements to the park include benches installed under the existing shade structure, a new asphalt path around the park, and a monument to honour Filipino national hero Dr. Jose Rizal. Many residents have already been using the new walking path, enjoying it daily for exercise and to enjoy the outdoors.

Councillor Devi Sharma thanked the many people who aided in the success of this project, saying, "This latest phase of improvements represents a $140,000 investment made possible through strong partnerships with government, my colleagues Councillor Mayes and Councillor Santos, and the dedicated members of the Knights of Rizal, in particular Sir Mohamed Alli, who oversaw the project in collaboration with the City of Winnipeg parks team. Parks like this are vital to our community. They're places where people of all ages can come together, enjoy the outdoors, and connect with one another. Thank you also to Mr. Jarwinder Dandiala, his family, and the community members who contributed their time and ideas to the design process, and to Councillor Mayes and Santos for their support and funding."

Ray Sator, Chapter Commander of The Knights of Rizal said, "I am absolutely very excited to see the park completed. I was there for when they installed the new benches and to see it all complete is great."

"This park has been a great opportunity for the Knights of Rizal to honour and enlighten the community of the story and ideals of Dr. Jose Rizal, said Mohamed Alli. Many of the neighbours have been very happy to see the new additions added to the park. Councillor Sharma has been a great help to us and the many community members that have been very helpful in planning."

Councillor Brian Mayes added, "Dr. Jose Rizal is a remarkable historical figure of liberation and a very important figure of Philippine history. I think our late colleague Jason Schreyer who passed away two months ago, and a member of The Knight of Rizal, would have loved and embraced it."










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