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THE City Government of Makati's office wear samples featuring a poly-*piña* fiber base complemented by handwoven textile accents that seamlessly blend contemporary design with Filipino craftsmanship.

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Makati City became the first local government unit to adopt Philippine tropical fabric for the uniform of its employees after Mayor Nancy Binay and Department of Science and Technology-Philippine Textile Research Institute (DoST-PTRI) director Dr. Julius L. Leaño Jr. signed an agreement to that effect on 25 August 2026.

Binay said the move honors Filipino craftsmanship and supports local farmers and weavers while Leaño said it is in compliance with Republic Act 9242 or the Philippine Tropical Fabrics Law of 2004, requiring public officials and employees to use PTFs containing natural fibers like abaca, banana, pineapple or silk for their official government uniforms.

During the signing event, samples of the uniforms with *piña* fiber were presented with the women's garments sewn by Bayo Manila and the men's garments by La Marina Philippines.

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