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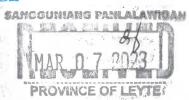
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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 15, S. 2022-2025 of the SB of Villaba, Leyte recommending for the declaration of its validity pursuant to its power under Section 56 (c) of R.A 7160, the same being, to the opinion of the Provincial Legal Office (PLO), in consonance with the authority under a Statute (R.A. 10816) mentioned in the ordinance. Provided, That, the grant of "Incentives" which presumably is in the form of "Cash" using government funds, does not violate the prohibition under Section 335 of the Code.

ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL Asst. Provincial Lygal Officer

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 15, S. 2022-2025 of the MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA, LEYTE, entitled: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO FARMERS ENGAGED IN AGROTOURISM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE.

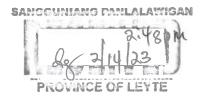
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February 14, 2022

THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN MEMBERS

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Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members:

We respectfully transmit herewith Fifteen (15) copies of:

Municipal Ordinance No. 15, S-2022-2025 "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO FARMERS ENGAGED IN AGRO-TOURISM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE" for your information and appropriate action.

God bless and more power.

Very truly yours,

MC QUIRIE . UMPAD
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan



MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 15, S-2022-2025

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO FARMERS ENGAGED IN AGRO-TOURISM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE Sancguniano panlalawigan

> Introduced By: Hon. Felipe S. Casas Sr. SB Member, Chairman, Committee on Agriculture

WHEREAS, Section 447 (a) of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that the Sangguniang Bayan, as a Legislative Body of the Municipality, shall enact Ordinances, approve Resolutions and appropriate funds for the general welfare of the Municipality and its inhabitants pursuant to section 16 of this Code and in the proper exercise of the corporate powers of the Municipality as provided for under Section 22 of this Code;

WHEREAS, as stipulated in an Article in the Philippine Star, dated July 1, 2016, "Bountiful harvest for agro tourism" the author asserted that our Philippine economy will be augmented and stabilized if our tourism spots in the Municipality of Villaba will be developed to attract Local and Foreign tourist to flock together and partake in an activities such as rice planting and vegetable harvesting;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. - 10816, otherwise known as the Farm Tourism Development Act of 2016, providing for the development and promotion of farm tourism in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Municipality of Villaba is an agricultural town in the province of Leyte where most of the inhabitants are farmers who are engaged in agro-tourism, hence, these farmers will be given incentives as a reward for their efforts in promoting the agro-tourism in our country, in general, and in the Municipality of Villaba, Leyte, in particular;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion by the Sangguniang Bayan Member, Felipe S. Casas, Sr., duly seconded by the Sangguniang Bayan Member Roque M. Compra;

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Villaba, Leyte, in Regular Session assembled, that:

ROGELO J. TAAY Sangguniang Bayon Member/ Temporary Presiding Officer
MERIAM PUMPAD

Sangguniang Bayan Member

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ENGR. CARIOS G. VELOSO Municipal Mayor

Section I – TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known and cited as an "Ordinance providing incentives to farmers engaged in agro-tourism in the Municipality of Villaba, province of Leyte, and appropriating funds for the purpose;

Section 2 – Declaration of Policy – it is hereby the declared policy of the Municipality of Villaba, Province of Leyte, to promote the welfare of the inhabitants by encouraging development and promoting agro tourism in the area. This shall be achieved by giving incentives as a reward to farmers engaged in agro-tourism.

Section 3. SCOPE AND COVERAGE – this Ordinance shall only cover all farmers engaged in agro-tourism in the development of all identified tourist spots in the Municipality of Villaba, Province of Leyte.,

Section 4 – DEFINITION OF TERMS. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms are conceptually and operationally defined.

- Farm/Agro Tourism the practice of attracting visitors and tourist to farm areas for production, education and recreational purposes. It involves any agricultural or fishes based operation or activity that brings to farm visitors, tourist farmers and fisherfolks who want to be educated and trained on farming and its related activities and provides a venue for outdoor recreation and accessible family outings.
- 2. Farm Agro -Tourism Activity any activity carried out on a farm that allows visitors and tourist to enjoy farming and/or fishing experience through education, recreation or leisure.
- 3. Farm Agro -Tourism Operator any person, company or recognized group, who is the owner or overall in-charge of a farm tourism camp.
- 4. Farm Agro -Tourism Camp any farm areas that allows visitors and tourist to visit, get involved in farm activities and enjoy and learn rural lifestyle.
- 5. Farm Agro- Tourism Practitioner any person who is engaged in providing one or more farm tourism activities.
- 6. Accreditation a certification officially recognizing a farm tourism camp as having complied with the minimum standards for farm tourism.

Section 5 – AGRO -TOURISM STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN – the Local Government Unit of Villaba shall formulate Agro-Tourism Strategic Action Plan which shall be the comprehensive set of programs, projects and activities (PPA) for the growth of Agro-Tourism in the Municipality of Villaba. The plan shall be integrated and be made consistent with the Provincial Development Plan in line with the National Tourism Development Plan.

Section 6. – CREATION OF AGRO – TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – there is hereby created the Agro-Tourism Development Committee under the office of the Municipal Mayor which shall formulate plans and programs for the development and promotion of agro-tourism in the Municipality and shall set the overall direction for the implementation of the Agro-Tourism Action Plan. It shall have the following powers and functions.

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- 1. Formulate, Advocate, oversee and assess the implementation of the Agro-Tourism Strategic Action Plan.
- 2. Increase awareness on the value of Agro-Tourism through advocacy campaign and marketing activities.

3. Recommend infrastructure projects and transportation programs for funding.

- 4. Formulate and oversee the conduct of Agro-Tourism research and development projects to ensure sustainability of the Municipal Agro-Tourism program such as, but not limited to, market research trend and innovations and information dissemination financing requirements, industry man-power development resource productivity and utilization, improvement and sustainable agricultural practices and education.
- 5. Create Technical panel working groups or task/force that will assist the committee in the performance of its functions.
- 6. Establish cooperation among and/or request the assistance of the concerned agencies, offices or instrumentalities of the government agro-tourism stakeholders, financial and educational institutions, non-government organization, people's organization and other mended institutions, and individuals in the implementation of its functions and the attainment of the objective of this Ordinance.

Section 7. COMPOSITION – the agro-tourism development committee/councils shall be composed of the following;

- Municipal information and Tourism Officer as CHAIRPERSON (MITO).
- Municipal Agricultural Officer as VICE CHAIRPERSON (MAO)
- Municipal Agro-Tourism Officer as member (MATO)
- President of the federation of farmers associations as member.
- NGO'S (Stakeholders) as members.

SECTION 8. SECRETARIAT – there shall be a committee secretariat to be chosen by the chairperson of the committee from among the personnel of the Municipal information and tourism officer (MITO).

SECTION 9. INVESTMENT, PROMOTION, FINANCING, INCENTIVES, MARKET RESEARCH AND INFORMATION MARKET PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT AGRICULTURE AND FISHERY RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT AND EXTENSION, INSTITUTIONAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT – the Agro-Tourism Development Committee shall develop programs linking stakeholders with the concerned entities with respect to investment, promotion, financing, incentives, market research and information on Agro-Tourism pursuant to its powers and functions in section 5 hereof.

SECTION 10. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS – the office of the Municipal Mayor shall prepare and issue the implementing rules and regulations of this Ordinance within ninety days from the effectivity hereof.

VIONETA T. SUMANG JULIA KATR FELIPE S Sangg niang Bayan Member/ AS. SR Sanggunia guniang Bayan Memb prary Presiding Officer g Bayan Member MERIAM P. MAPAD . ENEVOLDSEN INCPIQUEZ ELI MARWI. ENEVOLDSEN Enggunia Bayan Member Sangguniang Bayan Member Sanggui Ing Bayan Member Bayan Member Prary Se FEBLRICOLPNSON MARIA W. DE CLARO LNB Pr y to the Sangguniang Bayan ENGR. CANDS G. VELOSO Municipal Mayor

SECTION 11. ROLE OF THE AGRO-TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COUNCILS - the newly created Agro-Tourism Development Councils shall coordinate with the Agro-Tourism Development Committee and endeavor to develop Agro -Tourism Camp and to initiate Agro- Tourism activities in the Municipality and provide funds thereof.

SECTION 12. FUNDING – the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php. 500,000.00) from the 2023 General Fund Budget of the Municipal Government of Villaba is hereby appropriated for the operations of farmers engaged in Agro-Tourism as an incentive reward for their efforts in the promotion of Agro-Tourism industry in the Municipality of Villaba, in particular, and in the country, in General. The amount stated above will be increased to One Million Pesos (Php1,000,000.00) depending on the number of the accredited farmers engaged in Agro-Tourism in the Municipality of Villaba, Leyte.

SECTION 13. REPEALING CLAUSE – all Ordinances, rules and regulations and other issuances or part thereof inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 14. SEPARABLITY CLAUSE – if any part or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions herein which are not affected thereby, shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 15. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE – this Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval by the Mayor and after Fifteen Days (15) posting and publication.

This Ordinance was approved by the Sangguniang Bayan on December 5, 2022.

JEFF LEONARD B. MELENDRES
Temporary Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

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APPROVED:

ENGR. CARLOS G. VELOSO

Municipal Mayor

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THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND IN THE PUBLIC ARING OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO FARMERS ENGAGED IN AGRO-TOURISM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE" ON NOVEMBER 11, 2022 AT 10:00 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AT THE SB SESSION HALL.

MC QUIRIE P. UMPAD

SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIAN

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