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2ND Indorsement
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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 31, S. 2023 -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), an exercise of the power essential to the promotion of the General Welfare, authorized under Section 16 of the Code. An act that likewise gives full meaning to "Marriage", being a Special Contract of Permanent Union between a Man and a Woman, for the establishment of a conjugal and family life.

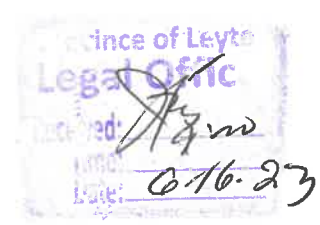
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Asst. Provincial Legal Officer *JS*

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

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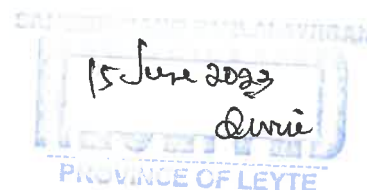
The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 31, S. 2023-2025** of the **MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA, LEYTE**, entitled: **AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING LIBRENG KASALAN SA LUNGSOD SA VILLABA, LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF.**


FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



June 9, 2023

THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN MEMBERS
New Provincial Government Complex
Campetic, Palo, Leyte



Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members:

We respectfully transmit herewith Fifteen (15) copies of:

Municipal Ordinance No. 31, S-2023-2025 "AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING LIBRENG KASALAN SA LUNGSOD SA VILLABA, LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF" for review and approval.

God bless and more power.

Very truly yours,

MC QUIRIE P. UMPAD
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan



SANGGUNIANG PANGLULUSUNG
 15 June 2023
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 PROVINCE OF LEYTE

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 31, S.2023-2025

AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING LIBRENG KASALAN SA LUNGSOD SA VILLABA, LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF

Authored by: HON. NIEL ALBERT B. INOPIQUEZ

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 12 of the Philippine Constitution provides that the State recognizes the sanctity of family life and shall protect and strengthen the family as a basic autonomous social institution;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 mandates the Local Government Units to exercise their power which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare of the people;

WHEREAS, Article of Executive Order 209, otherwise known as the Family Code of the Philippines provides that Marriage is a special contract of permanent union between a man and a woman entered into in accordance with law for the establishment of conjugal and family life. It is the foundation of the family and an inviolable social institution whose nature, consequences, and incidents are governed by law and not subject stipulation, except that marriage settlements may fix the property relations during marriage within the limits provided by the Code;

WHEREAS, according to Article 178 of the Family Code, a subsequent valid marriage between parents living under a common law or "live-in" regime without any legal impediment to contract marriage, effects legitimation among illegitimate children and couples are governed by a marriage property regime for their common benefit;

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree 965, Series of 1976, otherwise known as a decree requiring applicant for marriage license to receive instructions on family planning and responsible parenthood, provides an avenue for applicants of marriage license to be informed and instructed on family planning and responsible parenthood in lieu of the population program of the government;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Villaba, Leyte supports the affirmation that marriage is the foundation of the family being an inviolable social institution whose nature, consequences and incidents are governed by law;

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WHEREAS, it is imperative for the LGU to encourage couples without any legal impediment to contract marriage to enter the state of marriage being beneficial to them giving more positive effects in favoring legitimacy over illegitimacy;

WHEREAS, this ordinance also promotes the right of every child to have a name and family making them effective members of the society;

NOW THEREFORE on motion of **Hon. Niel Albert B. Inopiquez** duly seconded en masse; be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, by the Sangguniang Bayan of Villaba, Leyte duly assembled to enact:

GENERAL PROVISIONS



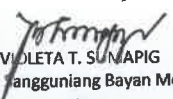

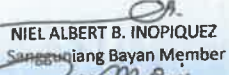
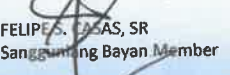
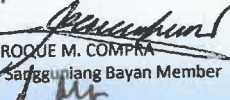


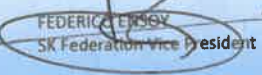

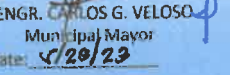
Section 1. Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the " Kasalan sa Lungsod sa Villaba, Leyte"

Section 2. Statement of Policy. The Local Government Unit of Villaba, Leyte acknowledges the family as the basic unit of society and plays an important role in development. It recognizes the roles of couples and future parents in shaping the future of the family and society. It also adheres to the belief that government and church can form an active partnership and collaborative undertaking in strengthening the family bonds among couples through the institution of the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony.

Section 3. Policy Directions. To carry out the foregoing policies, the Local Government Unit of Villaba, Leyte undertakes to provide avenue for couples who desire to perfect their union in marriage by waiving all fees and to cover all other expenses related with the same in an annual mass church wedding ceremony every 12th of June Adlaw sa Villaba Celebration.

Section 4. Definition of Terms. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

- A. Marriage – applicants are couples who have formally applied to the Program and who intend to live together as husband and wife;
- b. Mansibado couple - a man and a woman, aged 23 years old and above; or at least 5 years live-in together.
- c. Kasalan sa Lungsod sa Villaba, Leyte - refers to mass marriage ceremonies for eligible couples.
- d. LCR - Local Civil Registrar of the Municipality of Villaba, Leyte
- e. Program - unless otherwise indicated, it shall mean the Kasalan sa Lungsod sa Villaba, Leyte Program
- f. Local Government Unit/LGU-the Local Government Unit of Villaba, Leyte

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g. 'DSWD' – Department of Social Welfare and Development – refers to the one of the coordinating local agencies forming the Pre-Marriage Counseling Team for the conduct of pre-marriage as pre-requisite for the celebration of marriage.

h. Solemnizing Officer – refers to the Local Chief Executive or any person authorized by Law to solemnize marriage in accordance with Article 7 of Executive Order 209, otherwise known as the family Code of the Philippines and Section 455 (xviii) of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of the Philippines.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Section 5. Implementing Office. The Local Civil Registry Office shall be responsible in providing the procedure in availing the benefit under this ordinance and the guidelines as to the qualifications of the spouses including those couples living as husband and wife for at least 5 years without any legal impediment to contract marriage pursuant to Article 34 of the Family code, provided that all marrying couples shall undergo if applicable, the usual seminars being conducted. There shall be created a Special Lane for the Kasalan sa Lungsod Applicants install for the necessary arrangements to accommodate all the applicants.

Section 6. Registration Form. The Local Civil Registrar shall create Kasalan sa Lungsod sa Villaba, Leyte Registration Form duly approved by the Mayor that indicates, among others, the name of the couple applicants, their residence and the enumeration of fees to be waived, as indicated in Section 7 of this Ordinance.

WAIVER OF FEES

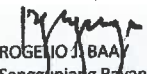



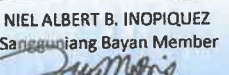

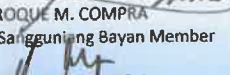
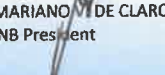
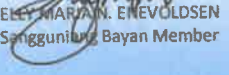

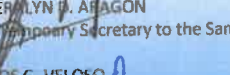
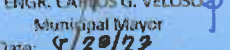
Section 7. Waiving of Fees. The following fees shall be waived in favor to the eligible couple applicants:

1. Pre-marriage Counselling Seminar Fees:
2. Joint Affidavit of Cohabitation by the Mayor
3. Residence Certificate (Cedula)

Section 8. Other Fees. All payments for the Certificate of No Marriage (CENOMAR) from the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) shall be chargeable against the account of the Local Government Unit. The Local Civil Registrar Office shall facilitate in securing this document, at no cost to the eligible couples.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Section 9. Number of Couple Applicants. There shall be Fifty 50 couples who may avail of this Program. All couples who met the minimum requirements enumerated in

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Section 11 of this Ordinance shall be eligible to the Kasalan sa Lungsod sa Villaba, Leyte, provided, they file their registration within the prescribed application period.

Section 10. Registration Period. The Local Government Unit of Villaba, Leyte shall cause the posting and announcement of the notices of the start and deadline of the registration for the Libreng Kasalan sa Lungsod sa Villaba, Leyte Program.











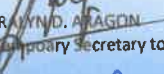

Section 11. Requirements on the Application for the Kasalan sa Lungsod sa Villaba, Leyte - The following requirements shall be established when applying for the Program:

1. At least one of the couples is a bonafide resident of the Municipality of Villaba, Leyte;
2. The prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 provides that the minimum age of marriage is 21 years in case of males, and 18 years in case of females;
3. Pre-Marriage Counselling Certificate Issued by the MSWDO;
4. Certificate of No Marriage (CENOMAR) duly issued by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA);
5. Joint Affidavit of Cohabitation by Mayor
6. Filled-up Kasalan sa Lungsod sa Villaba, Leyte Registration Form provided for this purpose;
7. All applicants are required to plant at least 5 trees, fruit bearing or not, with picture or Videos showing the actual planting of the seedlings before the marriage license is issued, they should plant in the watershed area own by the Local Government Unit of the Municipality of Villaba.

However, the Local Civil Registrar may require the submission of additional documents for the issuance of the Marriage License, as the case may be.

Section 12. Procedures in the Application of the Kasalan sa Lungsod sa Villaba, Leyte - The following shall be the procedures in availing the Kasalan:

1. The couple shall personally register to the Local Civil Registrar in the special lane created for the purpose;
2. All applications must be submitted at least six weeks prior to the scheduled wedding ceremony to give the Local Civil Registrar sufficient time to process all the necessary legal requisites for the issuance of a marriage license;
3. After conducting the initial screening, the Local Civil Registrar shall recommend to the Office of the Municipal Mayor the names of the eligible couple registrants for final review and approval;
4. All the approved applicants shall be notified accordingly and their names posted in three conspicuous places in the Municipality.

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Section 13. Kasalan sa Lungsod. The Kasalan sa Lungsod scheduled every 12th of June every year during the Adlaw sa Villaba Founding Anniversary Celebration.

OTHER PROVISIONS

Section 14. Venue of the Wedding Ceremony. The official venue will be at Alberto Veloso Memorial Gymnasium unless otherwise hanged by the Office of the Mayor. The Local Government Unit shall provide for the free lunch, decorations, one (1) wedding cake for each of the newly-wed couples and other incidental expenses necessary for the ceremony. The Sangguniang Bayan Members shall be made witness to the ceremony.

Section 15. Source of Funds. The Local Government Unit shall allocate an annual budget from the General Appropriation Fund for the expenses of the mass wedding program, which shall be determined by the Local Chief Executive, and authorized by the Sangguniang Bayan.

FINAL PROVISIONS

Section 16. Repealing Clause. All other ordinances, resolutions, memoranda, orders and other issuances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed and modified accordingly.

Section 17. Separability Clause. If for certain reasons some provisions of this Ordinance are found to be invalid or unconstitutional, all other provisions hereof not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 18. Effectivity Clause. This Ordinance shall take effect after it is approved.

This Ordinance was approved by the Sangguniang Bayan on April 24, 2023.


ERALYN D. ARAGON

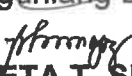
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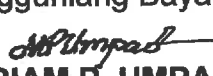
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ENGR. CARLOS G. VELOSO
Municipal Mayor

Date: 5/20/23

COMMITTEE REPORT NO.1, S-2023
Committee on Tourism and Development

The Committee on Tourism Development conducted a committee hearing last February 2, 2023 at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall, which was attended by the Committee on Tourism and Development Chairwoman, Hon. Julca Kathrin Con-ui, Hon. Elly Maria Enevoldsen as member, 26 Punong Barangays., Mr. Medallo Punong LCR Officer, Mr. Mark Luche, Tourism Office r, Mr. Jeremias Lucañas, MENRO, Ms. Cherry German, Rep. of DSWD, and Mrs. Marilyn Marquez from the academe.

The committee hearing started at 1:45 in the afternoon which was presided over by Hon. Neil Inopiquez. Hon. Inopiquez discussed the two proposed ordinances. The first proposed ordinance presented was the Ordinance on Implementing the Libreng Kasal sa Lungsod sa Villaba. The LGU of Villaba, Leyte acknowledges the family as the basic unit of society and plays an important role in development. It recognizes the role of couple and future parent in shaping the future of the family and society. It was also discussed that the LGU provides avenue for couples who desire to perfect their union in marriage by waiving all fees and cover all other expenses related to the wedding preparation of papers. Mr. Punong, the LCRO, said that the requirements needed for the application for the Libreng Kasal are the Certificate of Cohabitation from the Office of the Mayor and the couple must be 23 years old and above and with at least 5 years of living together.

The next proposed ordinance presented was the preservation of the century and heritage tree in jurisdiction of the Municipality of Villaba. The Local Government Unit of Villaba has traditionally played an important role in supporting tourism development of local areas. This includes the provision of infrastructures, the development of tourist attractions and experiences, support for festivals and events, and the implementation of tourist promotion plans. Mr. Jeremiah Lucañas, the MENRO, suggested that the PD 705 shall be incorporated with the ordinance. Mrs. Marquez also suggested to the members of the committee to create a search committee on the century tree.

The Hon. Edison Franco, Punong Barangay of Balite, moved for the adjournment of the committee hearing and duly seconded by Hon. Amelita Pelayo, Punong Barangay of San. Fransico.

The committee hearing ended at 3:30 O'clock in the afternoon.


HON. NIEL ALBERT B. INOPIQUEZ
Vice-Chairman on Tourism and Development


HON. JULCA KATHRINA L. CON.UI
Chairman on Tourism and Development


HON. ELLY MARIA N. ENEVOLDSEN
MEMBER

ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING THE LIBRENG KASAL SA LUNGSOD AND PROVIDING FUNDS

Feb 2, 2023 @ SB session hall
1:00pm

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3. Amino GAP	DEL MONTE	
4. Mercedes B. de Chan	Perang - GMA	
5. Uza L. Donatos	Pob. del San	
6. Uziel Cerate S. Ocas	CAGNOCOT	
7. ANNEBERNE STELLMAN	Bagabuga	
8. Melinda L. FORTUON	DEL MONTE	
9. Arlyn M. Dagal	Calbanga	
10. Medalla V. Yumay	MAN	
11. Myra C. Uan	San Vicente	
12. MARGUITO AREDO	SAN VICENTE	
13. Amelita R. Pelayo	San Francisco	
14. OSCAR X. ATANER	Del Monte	
15. JAY MENOR	SUBA	
16. Edic Franca	Ballito	
17. GERMAN, O'BELLY UAN	MANITO	
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23. RONALD P. Distay Jr.		
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29. Keith Demand Mejuda

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31. Lita Mondra SB Staff

32. Vanessa Jorda SB Staff

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND IN THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE FREE MASS WEDDING PROGRAM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF" ON FEBRUARY 2, 2023 AT 1:00 IN THE AFTERNOON AT THE SB SESSION HALL.


MC QUIRIE P. UMPAD
SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIAN



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I, JIMA ZANDRA VERGARA, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: that I am the Managing Editor of the EASTERN VISAYAS MAIL, a newspaper edited and published in the City of Ormoc and circulated in the cities of Ormoc, Tacloban Maasin and Calbayog, and in the islands of Leyte, Samar and Biliran, the rest of the Visayas islands, Mindanao, Manila and Luzon;

That the publicaiton captioned:

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APPROVED:
(SGD)ENGR. CARLOS G. VELOSO
Municipal Mayor

was published in said newspaper for () _____ consecutive weeks in its EV Mail _____ issues.

EV Mail May 22-28, 2023

That I am executing this affidavit to attest to the fact of the foregoing statements. Affiant further sayeth naught.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affix my signature this MAY 30 2023 day of _____, 20__ in Ormoc City.


JIMA ZANDRA J. VERGARA
Affiant

VERIFICATION

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me this MAY 30 2023 day of _____ with affiant exhibiting his Tax Identification Number 932-314-846-000 issued on July 9, 2016 at Ormoc City, Leyte, Philippines.

ATTY. ADELITO M. SOLIBAGA JR.
Notary Public for the City of Ormoc,
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