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PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE

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26 May 2023
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PROVINCE OF LEYTE

2nd Indorsement
May 2, 2023

Province of Leyte
Legal Office
Date: 5.5.23

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 03 S. 2023 of the SB of Merida, 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, specifically for the couple who wish to enter into the "inviolable contract" of Marriage. Provided, That, pursuant to Section 186 of the Code, Fees or Charges shall not be unjust, excessive, oppressive, confiscatory, or contrary to declared national policy.

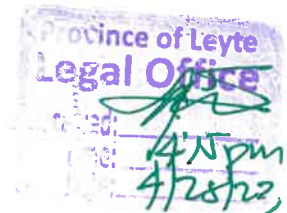
ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL
Asst. Provincial Legal Officer




Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF LEYTE
Palo, Leyte

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

1ST INDORSEMENT
28 April 2023



The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 03, SERIES OF 2023 OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MERIDA, LEYTE, ENTITLED: AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING EVERY COUPLE APPLICANTS TO UNDERGO PRE-MARRIAGE COUNSELLING (PMC) WITH A REGISTRATION FEE OF THREE HUNDRED (P300.00) PESOS.**


FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Board



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Leyte
MUNICIPALITY OF MERIDA



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

April 25, 2023

THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE
NEW LEYTE PROVINCIAL CAPITOL
PALO, LEYTE

DEAR HONORABLE SP MEMBERS;

I HAVE THE HONOR TO SUBMIT TO THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE COPIES OF **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 03, SERIES OF 2023 - "AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING EVERY COUPLE APPLICANTS TO UNDERGO PRE-MARRIAGE COUNSELLING (PMC) WITH A REGISTRATION FEE OF THREE HUNDRED (PHP300.00) PESOS"** ENACTED BY THE 18TH COUNCIL OF MERIDA, LEYTE FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION.

HOPING EVERYTHING IS IN ORDER.

THANK YOU.

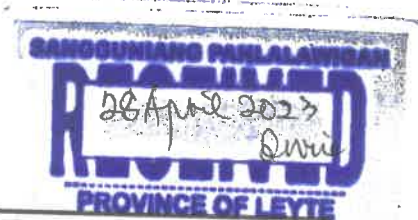
RESPECTFULLY


JOSELITO T. DELOS ANGELES
Secretary to the Sanggunianh Bayan



Republic of the Philippines
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SANGGUNIANG BAYAN



EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 31ST REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN (18TH COUNCIL), MERIDA, LEYTE HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2023 AT THE LEGISLATIVE BUILDING SESSION HALL.

- RESOLUTION NO. 18-23-031-

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING / APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 03, SERIES OF 2023 "AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING EVERY COUPLE APPLICANTS TO UNDERGO PRE-MARRIAGE COUNSELLING (PMC) WITH A REGISTRATION FEE OF THREE HUNDRED (P300.00) PESOS."

-MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 03, SERIES OF 2023- Series of 2023

"AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING EVERY COUPLE APPLICANTS TO UNDERGO PRE-MARRIAGE COUNSELLING (PMC) WITH A REGISTRATION FEE OF THREE HUNDRED (P300.00) PESOS."

BE IT ENACTED by the Sangguniang Bayan (18th Council) of Merida, Leyte on its Regular Session Assembled and by Authority of the same that:

SECTION 1- DEFINITION OF TERM:

A. PRE-MARRIAGE COUNSELLING – is a one-day Orientation Program for couples applying for marriage license. it is designed to provide pre- marriage couples with a realistic view of marriage, to create awareness and appreciation of corresponding roles and responsibilities, thus, enabling them to better handle situations involving issues and concerns that confront newly married couples.

SECTION 2- PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 965, otherwise known as the Pre- Marriage Counselling Program, dated July 20, 1976 and The New Family Code of the Philippines require all applicants for marriage license to receive instructions on Family Planning and Responsible Parenthood;

SECTION 3- PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 965 Designated the Population Commission to issue Rules and Regulations, Accredited Persons other than the Health Officer and private entities and individuals pertaining to Pre- Marriage Counselling.

SECTION 4- POPCOM OFFICE will hold its Regular Eight (8) hours Seminar on Pre- Marriage Counselling every 2nd Tuesday of the month except holidays, otherwise, it shall be the discretion of the POPCOM Office;

SECTION 5- SPECIAL PRE- MARRIAGE COUNSELLING SCHEDULE - A PMC Session especially done to fit the desired schedule of the engaged couple and the availability of PMC Counselors; Special PMC schedule shall not fall on Saturdays, Sundays and regular holidays;

SECTION 6- REGISTRATION FEE - There should be a Registration Fee of Three Hundred (Php300.00) pesos for every Couple Applicants of Pre- Marriage Counselling which shall be properly receipted and accrue to a Trust Fund Account created solely for the purpose;

SECTION 8, SEPARABILITY CLAUSE – If any provision of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the other provisions hereof.

SECTION 9. APPLICABILITY CLAUSE– All other matters relating to the imposition of this Ordinance shall be governed by pertinent provision of existing laws and other ordinances.

SECTION 10. REPEALING CLAUSE – All Ordinances, Rules and Regulation, or part thereof, in conflict with, or inconsistent with any provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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(CONTINUATION OF MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 03, SERIES OF 2023, DATED FEBRUARY 13, 2023//PAGE 02)

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY – This Ordinance shall take effect after Publication and Posting Requirements have been complied with.

ENACTED By the Sangguniang Bayan (18TH Council of Merida, Leyte on its Regular Session held on the 13th day of February 2023.

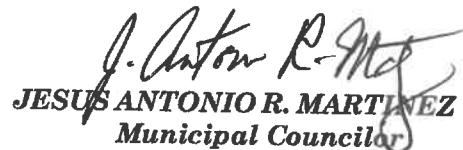
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the veracity of the foregoing Resolution.

SANGGUNIANG BAYAN MEMBERS


CHENE C. CALDERON
Municipal Councilor
Assistant Floor Leader

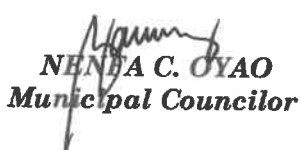

JOEL A. MARSON
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Municipal Councilor


STEPHANIE M. MIRALLES
Municipal Councilor


AMELITA R. GALAM
Ex Officio (LnB President)

RALPH STEEVE M. MIRALLES
Ex-Officio (Mun. Sk. Federation President)
(Forced Leave)

APPROVED BY HIS HONOR, THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR ON _____, 2022.

APPROVED BY:


ENGR. ROLANDO M. VILLASENIO
Municipal Mayor

CERTIFIED BY: ✓


RODRIGO M. WENCESLAO
Municipal Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer

ATTESTED BY:

PHIALENE ROSARI C. BARONDA
Secretary to the Mayor


JOSELITO T. DE LOS ANGELES
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Leyte
MUNICIPALITY OF MERIDA

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 03, SERIES OF 2023 – “AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING EVERY COUPLE APPLICANTS TO UNDERGO PRE-MARRIAGE COUNSELLING (PMC) WITH A REGISTRATION FEE OF THREE HUNDRED (PHP300.00) PESOS”** had been posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the locality within three (3) consecutive weeks from MARCH 10, 2023 to MARCH 31, 2023.

THIS CERTIFICATION has been issued in compliance to Section 511 (1), Title One, book IV of RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

DONE AND ISSUED this 25TH day of April 2023 at Merida, Leyte, Philippines.


JOSELITO T. DE LOS ANGELES
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan