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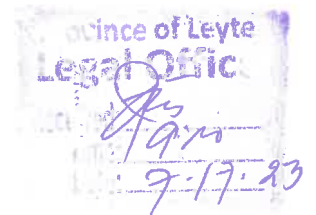
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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 23-04 S.2023 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, recommending for the declaration of its validity, pursuant to its power under Section 56 (C) of R.A. 7160, the same being to the opinion of the Provincial Legal Office, an exercise of the power essential to the promotion of the General Welfare, authorized Section 16 of the Code, specifically to insure food security.

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

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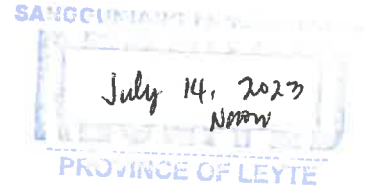
1ST INDORSEMENT
17 July 2023

The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **ORDINANCE NO. 23-04, SERIES OF 2023** of the **MUNICIPALITY OF BURAUEN, LEYTE**, entitled: An Ordinance enjoining the setting-up and operation of Barangay Community Garden.


FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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Municipality of Burauen
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Office of the Sangguniang Bayan



June 20, 2023

THE HONORABLE MEMBERS
SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN
PROVINCE OF LEYTE


Thru: FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian
Province of Leyte
Tacloban City

Ladies/Gentlemen:

We are forwarding herewith 15 copies of **Municipal Ordinance No. 23-04**, series of 2023, of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, which is "**AN ORDINANCE ENJOINING THE SETTING-UP AND OPERATION OF BARANGAY COMMUNITY GARDENS**", for review and approval of that body.

Please acknowledge receipt hereof.

Very truly yours,


CHARITY C. BARBOSA
Board Secretary II
Acting SB Secretary



Republic of the Philippines
 Province of Leyte
 Municipality of Burauen

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 31ST REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BURAUEN, LEYTE, HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL SESSION HALL, EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BUILDING ON JANUARY 30, 2023

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-04
 SERIES OF 2023**

AN ORDINANCE ENJOINING THE SETTING-UP AND OPERATION OF BARANGAY COMMUNITY GARDENS

WHEREAS, the economy of the Philippines depends heavily on the agricultural sector, thus challenges encountered, especially by farmers, have negative effects on the food security in the country;

WHEREAS, given its geographic location, the Philippines experienced numerous threats to food security brought about by strings of natural calamities that have rendered farm produce unusable or increased food prices due to food shortage;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has further worsened the country's food insecurity, disrupting the availability and access to fresh and nutritious foods at affordable prices, thus, resulting to severely food insecurity and people most likely to experience hunger;

WHEREAS, to address the problem of hunger and food insecurity in the Philippines, the national government enacted several laws and implemented various initiatives and strategies to ensure sustainable and resilient production and food availability throughout the country;

WHEREAS, in support to the thrust of the current administration and cognizant of the role of barangays as essential partners of the national government in contributing to addressing hunger, and ensuring food security in the country, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) is introducing the *Halina't MAGtanim ng Prutas At Gulay (HAPAG) sa Barangay Project*;

WHEREAS, the project aims to strengthen the capacities of barangays towards sustainable agricultural initiatives, which includes the intensification and fostering of agricultural activities such as barangay community gardening, wherein households and communities will be encouraged to produce fresh, healthy and affordable fruits and vegetables from their backyards and spaces, through the establishment of community gardens in barangays with vacant areas.

WHEREFORE, the DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2023-001 signed by Atty. Benjamin C. Abalos, Jr., Secretary to the DILG, directed the Local Government Units to enact an ordinance that would enjoin the setting-up and operations of the barangay community gardens;

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, in regular session assembled, that:

SECTION 1 – Title. This ordinance shall be known as “**An Ordinance Enjoining the Setting-Up and Operation of Barangay Community Gardens**”.

SECTION 2 – Scope/ Coverage. All the barangays of the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte.

SECTION 3 – Definition of Terms.

1. **Barangay Community Garden** – The barangay community garden shall refer to a piece of land or several patches of land operated and cultivated by the barangay for the purpose of planting and growing vegetables and fruit-bearing trees.
2. **Aeroponics** – an integration of aquaculture (fish farming) with hydroponics. Creates symbiotic relationships between the plants and the fish. It uses the nutrient-rich waste from fish tanks to “fertigate” hydroponic production beds, and hydroponic bed cleans water for fish habitants.
3. **Aquaponics** – A bio-system that incorporates recirculated aquaculture (fish farming) with hydroponic vegetable and herbs production to create symbiotic relationships between the plants and the fish. The symbiosis is achieved using the nutrient-rich waste from fish tanks to “fertigate” hydroponic production beds. In turn, the hydroponic beds also function as bio-filters that remove gases, acids, and chemicals, such as ammonia, nitrates, and phosphates, from the water.
4. **Container Gardening** – refers to a micro model farming where a family unit or household is producing fruits and vegetables in special containers for personal consumption.
5. **Fruit-Bearing Tree Planting** – refers to the planting of fruit-bearing trees for food production purposes such as papaya, bananas, mango, avocado, santol, jackfruit, guyabano, coconut, guava, lemon, mulberry, etcetera.
6. **Hydroponics** – a method of growing food using mineral nutrient solutions in water without soil (soilless-based).
7. **Square Foot Gardening** – is a simple method of creating small, orderly, and highly productive kitchen gardens.
8. **Vertical Gardening** – refers to a special kind of urban gardening suitable for small spaces, particularly for decorating the walls and roofs in various styles. It is an alternative method for gardening by expanding the scope of growing plants in a vertical space.

SECTION 4 – Policy Content and Guidelines on Establishment of Barangay Community Garden.

1. The community garden shall be established in an available site to be determined by the barangay. It shall have at least a minimum of twenty (20) square meters of land area or its equivalent in several patches of land.
2. In establishing the community garden, the barangay shall identify which vegetable plants (e.g., leafy vegetables, cruciferous vegetables, fruit-bearing plants, legumes, etc.) herbal plants, root crops (e.g., sweet potato, cassava, taro, carrots, radish, potato, garlic, etc.), they wish to grow.

3. Barangays that do not have vacant areas, shall implement alternative gardening such as container gardening, vertical gardening, square foot gardening, hydroponics, aquaponics, and aeroponics.
4. Further, the barangays are encouraged to coordinate and request from the Local Government Unit of Burauen, Leyte for any vacant property owned by the municipality or with private individuals who own a certain vacant lot that can be used to establish the barangay community garden.
5. Moreover, the barangays shall encourage their residents to set up their family vegetable garden and/or plant fruit-bearing trees in available open spaces.

SECTION 5 – Roles and Responsibilities of the Local Government of Unit of Burauen, Leyte.

A. The Municipality.

1. Ensure the formulation, or if existing, revision/updating of the local nutrition plan of action, to include and support the establishment of and maintenance of community gardens (this includes both the barangay and household gardens);
2. Implement, monitor, and evaluate their respective local nutrition plans which include, but are not limited to the provision of technical assistance to barangays to promote basic agriculture through natural farming to serve as food baskets or main source of vegetables to sustain the dietary needs of the community as well as households, provision of agricultural services and facilities to the barangays;
3. Provide technical assistance to barangays, particularly in the implementation of agricultural activities and provision of agricultural support services;
4. Provide agricultural support services and facilities to the barangays such as, but not limited to, vegetable seed farms, fruit-tree and other kinds of seedling nurseries; improvement and development of local distribution channels, preferable through cooperatives; inter-barangay irrigation system; prevention and control of plant pests and diseases, assistance in the organizations of cooperatives; among others;
5. Ensure the establishment of community gardens in the barangays;
6. Promote vegetable production and consumption of crops existing naturally in the area; and
7. Encourage the residents in the barangay to set up their family vegetable garden and/or plant fruit-bearing trees in available open spaces.

B. The Barangay.

1. Ensure the organization, reorganization, and strengthening of the Barangay Nutrition Committee;

2. Include in their respective Barangay Development Plans and Annual Investment Programs, applicable nutritional programs, projects, and activities to ensure adequate funding for nutritional impact;
3. Ensure the formulation, or if existing, revision/updating of the barangay nutrition action plan in line with the full devolution, to include the establishment and maintenance of Barangay Community Garden, provision of seeding materials and agricultural equipment and facilities among others;
4. Designate one (1) Sangguniang Barangay Member, preferably the one who handles the environmental concerns, to lead and manage the establishment and maintenance of the barangay community garden, through an Executive Order;
5. The Punong Barangay shall also designate personnel from among the barangay officials and staff, including the Barangay Nutrition Scholar, who shall assist in the operations and maintenance of the barangay community garden;
6. Identify the area/s where the barangay community garden shall be established;
7. Set-up a community garden in a vacant area, preferably owned by the barangay or local government concerned;
8. Together with the designated Sangguniang Barangay Members, coordinate with the Municipal Agricultural Office or its equivalent for any available agricultural, training, seminars, and capacity-building services, as well as seeding materials and other agricultural equipment and facilities, that would help them in the operations of their barangay community garden;
9. Lead the promotion of barangay community gardening to their community, including its importance and benefits as well as the products produced through the community garden;
10. Promote agribusiness, especially for high-value products in the area;
11. Keep a record of the overall operations of the community garden such as the types of seedlings per plant planted, and number of vegetables and fruits harvested (e.g. per sack, per piece, per kilo, etc.), among others;
12. Ensure the adequate provision of agricultural services and facilities in the barangay pursuant to Section 17 of the Local Government Code of 1991;
13. Enact an ordinance regarding the setting-up and operations of barangay community gardens and allocate funds to sustain its operations;
14. Establish a group of volunteers in the community to help in the establishment of and maintenance of the barangay community garden as well as spread the information in setting-up household vegetable gardening and/or planting fruit-bearing trees; and

15. Submit necessary reports to the DILG Municipal Field Office on their compliance with the establishment of the barangay community garden.

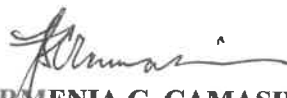
SECTION 6 – Separability Clause. If for any reasons any part or provisions of this ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions thereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 7 – Repealing Clause. All previous ordinances and provisions inconsistent with this ordinance shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

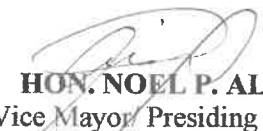
SECTION 8 – Effectivity Clause. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval hereof.

ENACTED AND APPROVED, January 30, 2023, in regular session assembled.


I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.


HON. HERMENIA C. CAMASIN
Sangguniang Bayan Member
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary Pro Tempore

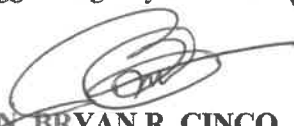
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HON. NOEL P. ALPINO
Vice Mayor, Presiding Officer

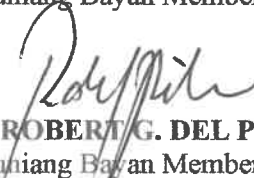

HON. VINCENT G. ENERLAN
Sangguniang Bayan Member


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APPROVED:

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HON. JUANITO E. RENOMERON
Mayor

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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that **Municipal Ordinance No. 23-04**, series of 2023 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled, “*An Ordinance Enjoining the Setting-up and Operation of Barangay Community Gardens*”, has been posted in four (4) conspicuous and publicly accessible places of the municipality for three (3) consecutive weeks from *February 1-21, 2023* in compliance to Section 59, paragraph (b) of the Local Government Code of 1991.

Burauen, Leyte, February 27, 2023.

HON. HERMENIA C. CAMASIN
Sangguniang Bayan Member
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary Pro Tempore

ATTESTED:

HON. NOEL P. ALPINO
Municipal Vice-Mayor