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SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

MINUTES OF THE 51st REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE, HELD AT THE SESSION HALL, LEYTE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, PALO, LEYTE ON 18 JULY 2023.

PHYSICALLY PRESENT:

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| 1. Hon. Wilson S. Uy | 1 st District Board Member |
| 2. Hon. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar | 1 st District Board Member |
| 3. Hon. Raïssa J. Villasín | 2 nd District Board Member |
| 4. Hon. Marie Kathryn V. Kabigting | 3 rd District Board Member |
| 5. Hon. Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban | 3 rd District Board Member |
| 6. Hon. Vincent L. Rama | 4 th District Board Member |
| 7. Hon. Flaviano C. Centino, Jr. | 4 th District Board Member |
| 8. Hon. Michael L. Cari | 5 th District Board Member |
| 9. Hon. Carmen L. Cari | Temp. Presiding Officer |
| 10. Hon. Nolie C. Caña | Ex-Officio Member, PCL President |
| | Ex-Officio Member, Liga ng Mga Barangay President |
| 11. Hon. Jo Vanille Chua-Merilo | Ex-Officio Member, SK President |

VIRTUALLY PRESENT:

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| 12. Hon. Leonardo M. Javier, Jr. | Vice-Governor |
| 13. Hon. Trinidad G. Apostol | 2 nd District Board Member |
| | Temp. Floor Leader |
| 14. Hon. Carlo P. Loreto | 5 th District Board Member |
| | Temp. Presiding Officer |

The 51st Regular Session opened at 10:35 o'clock in the morning presided over by the Honorable Floor Leader Carlo P. Loreto, in view of the technical problem experienced by the Honorable Vice-Governor Leonardo M. Javier, Jr.

The 1st Deputy Floor Leader, Honorable Trinidad G. Apostol acted at the Temporary Floor Leader of the days' session.

The Opening Prayer was led by the Honorable Flaviano C. Centino, Jr., 4th District Board Member and followed by the singing of the Philippine National Anthem.

51 A motion to dispense with the Panunumpa sa Watawat, the Leyte Hymn, the
52 PBMLP Hymn and the PBMLP Creed of the agenda was presented by the Honorable
53 Wilson S. Uy, duly seconded by the Honorable Raissa J. Villasin, Honorable Trinidad G.
54 Apostol and the Honorable Vincent L. Rama.

55 Considering that there was no objection, the motion was carried.

56 The Temporary Presiding Officer, Honorable Carlo P. Loreto, requested the
57 Sangguniang Panlalawigan Secretary Mrs. Florinda Jill S. Uyvico to call the roll in order
58 to determine the presence of quorum.

59 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

60 The following Members are in attendance:

61 **Physically Present:**

62 Hon. Wilson S. Uy

63 Hon. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar

64 Hon. Raissa J. Villasin

65 Hon. Marie Kathryn V. Kabigting

66 Hon. Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban

67 Hon. Vincent L. Rama

68 Hon. Flaviano C. Centino, Jr.

69 Hon. Michael L. Cari -Temp. Presiding Officer

70 Hon. Carmen L. Cari

71 Hon. Nolie C. Caña

72 Hon. Jo Vanille Chua-Merilo

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74 **Virtually Present:**

75 Hon. Leonardo M. Javier, Jr. - Vice-Governor

76 Hon. Trinidad G. Apostol

77 Hon. Carlo P. Loreto -Temp. Presiding Officer

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79 Fourteen (14) Members are present, Mr. Chair, Madam Floor.

80 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

81 We have a quorum, Mr. Chair.

82 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

83 Okay, there is a quorum to do business.

84 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

85 We have the minutes of the previous session of July 11, 2023, Mr. Chair.

86 May we know if there is any correction from the floor on the said minutes?

87 If there is none, Mr. Chair, I move that we adopt and approve the minutes of July

88 11, 2023, I so moved, Mr. Chairman.

89 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

90 Second.

91 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: 5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

92 Second.

93 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

94 Second.

95 HON. NOLIE C. CAÑA: LIGA NG MGA BARANGAY PRESIDENT

96 Second.

97 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

98 Discussion?

99 Hearing none, the motion is approved.

100 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-333

101 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

102 Mr. Chair, we don't have items on first reading and reference of business and

103 there are no committee reports for today. So, we now proceed to the Business of the

104 Day, Mr. Chair.

105 Item No. 01, Madam Secretary please.

106 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

107 **BUSINESS OF THE DAY**

108 **ITEM NO. 01**

109 Presented for consideration is a **Request** for
110 **Accreditation of MacArthur Park Vendors Association** with
111 address at MacArthur Shrine Government Center, Brgy.
112 Candahug, Palo, Leyte with the Provincial Government of
113 Leyte as a non-government organization.

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116 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER
117 Mr. Chair, if I may, this is a request for accreditation of MacArthur Park Vendors
118 Association located at MacArthur Shrine, Government Center, Barangay Candahug,
119 Palo, Leyte with the Provincial Government of Leyte. This particular organization, Mr.
120 Chair, have submitted all the requirements needed for its accreditation and has been
121 reviewed by the Records Section of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan.
122 With this, Mr. Chair, I move that we approve the request for accreditation of
123 MacArthur Park Vendors Association of Barangay Candahug, Palo, Leyte. I so move,
124 Mr. Chair.
125 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER
126 Second.
127 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER
128 Second.
129 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER
130 Second.
131 HON. NOLIE C. CAÑA: LIGA NG MGA BARANGAY PRESIDENT
132 Second.
133 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER
134 Second.
135 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER
136 There is a motion, duly seconded.
137 Any objection, discussion?
138 Hearing none, the motion is approved.
139 Approved unanimously. **RES. NO. 2023-334**
140 At this point in time and considering that the Temporary Presiding Officer,
141 Honorable Carlo P. Loreto has also experienced a technical problem, the Honorable
142 Michael L. Cari, acted as the Temporary Presiding Officer.
143 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER
144 Item No. 2, Madam Secretary please.

145 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

146 **ITEM NO. 02**

147 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**
148 **No. 2023-03 of Palo, Leyte** entitled- **"AN ORDINANCE**
149 **AMENDING SECTION 6 OF MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022-**
150 **08 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR**
151 **THE DIFFERENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES UNDER THE**
152 **ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS IN CRISIS SITUATION (AICS) IN**
153 **THE MUNICIPALITY OF PALO, LEYTE"**, Recommended for the
154 declaration of its **VALIDITY** by the Provincial Legal Office per
155 2ndindorsement dated July 10, 2023.

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157 **ITEM NO. 03**

158 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**
159 **No. 2023-04 of Palo, Leyte** entitled- **"AN ORDINANCE**
160 **CHANGING THE PLANTILLA POSITION TITLE FROM MUNICIPAL**
161 **SECRETARY TO SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIAN IN THE**
162 **OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN,**
163 **PALO, LEYTE."** Recommended for the declaration of its
164 **VALIDITY** by the Provincial Legal Office per 2ndindorsement
165 dated July 10, 2023.

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167 **ITEM NO. 04**

168 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**
169 **No. 2023-03 of Santa Fe, Leyte** entitled- **"AN ORDINANCE**
170 **ENACTING THE MARKET AND SLAUGHTER HOUSE CODE OF THE**
171 **MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA FE, LEYTE"** Recommended for the
172 declaration of its **VALIDITY with CONDITION** by the Provincial
173 Legal Office per 2ndindorsement dated July 7, 2023.

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175 **HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER**

176 Mr. Chairman, we have several items coming from the 1st District. These are
177 Item Nos. 2, and 3 from Palo, Leyte and Item No. 4 from Santa Fe, Leyte.

178 Mr. Chair, will you please recognize the Honorable Reposar for an omnibus
179 motion for the 3 items?

180 **HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER**

181 The Honorable Reposar is recognized.

182 **HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER**

183 Thank you, Madam Floor Leader, and Honorable Chairman.

184 Items 2, 3 and 4, are ordinances from the 1st District of Leyte. Items 2 and 3 are
185 Ordinances coming from the Municipality of Palo, Leyte. And one of which is an

186 amendatory ordinance and the other one is an ordinance pursuant to the authority
187 under DBM index of occupational services and CSC qualification standards mentioned
188 in the ordinance, effectively also being an amendatory ordinance.

189 Both ordinances coming from the Municipality of Palo, Leyte, are recommended
190 for approval by the Provincial Legal Office, the same having complied with under the
191 provisions of the Local Government Code and existing jurisprudence.

192 That being said, I would like to move that Items 2 and 3 of the Municipality of
193 Palo, be approved on review. I so move.

194 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

195 Second.

196 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

197 Second.

198 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

199 Second.

200 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

201 Second.

202 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

203 There is an omnibus motion by the Honorable Reposar, resolution.

204 Duly seconded by everybody.

205 No objection, approved.

206 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-335

207 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

208 I still have one from the Municipality of Santa Fe, Mr. Chair. I would like to have
209 a separate motion on this, Mr. Chair.

210 The same being a revenue measure ordinance pursuant to Section 186, 187 and
211 188 of the Local Government Code, the same ordinance is also recommended for
212 approval by the Provincial Legal Office. However, perusal on the records shows it does
213 not have a copy of the minutes of the required public hearing. Be that as it may, Mr.
214 Chair, I still would like to move that the same ordinance be approved on review provided

215 that the Municipality of Santa Fe observe the condition set forth by the Provincial Legal
216 Office pursuant to Section 186. And in addition, pursuant to Section 187 of the Local
217 Government Code, that a copy of the minutes of the said required public hearing be
218 provided to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan. I so move, Mr. Chair.

219 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

220 Second.

221 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

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223 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

224 Second.

225 HON. NOLIE C. CAÑA: LIGA NG MGA BARANGAY PRESIDENT

226 Second.

227 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

228 Any objection?

229 Hearing none, motion is approved.

230 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-336

231 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

232 Item No. 5, Madam Secretary please.

233 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

234 **ITEM NO. 05**

235 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**
236 **No. 12 series of 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte** entitled- "**AN**
237 **ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER IN THE**
238 **MUNICIPALITY OF MACARTHUR, LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING**
239 **FUNDS THERETO.**"Recommended for the declaration of its
240 **VALIDITY** by the Provincial Legal Office per 2ndindorsement
241 dated July 3, 2023.

243 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

244 Mr. Chair, will you please recognize the Honorable Villasin for Item No. 5?

245 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

246 The Honorable Villasin is recognized.

247 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

248 Thank you, Mr. Chair, Madam Floor Leader.

249 Item No. 5, presented for consideration is Municipal Ordinance No. 12 series of
250 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte, entitled -"An Ordinance Establishing a Senior Citizens Center
251 in the Municipality of MacArthur, Leyte and appropriating funds thereto."

252 It has been recommended for its validity by the Provincial Legal Office pursuant
253 to its power under Section 56 (c) of RA 7160, the same being to the opinion of the
254 Provincial Legal Office in compliance with the mandate of Section 17(2)(iv) of the Code
255 "to provide Social Services for the welfare of the elderly." And in compliance to the
256 mandate of RA9994 (Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010) as mentioned in the
257 ordinance.

258 If my motion is in order, Mr. Chair, I move to declare valid Ordinance No. 12
259 series of 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte. I so move.

260 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

261 Second.

262 HON. MARIE KATHRYN V. KABIGTING: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

263 Second.

264 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

265 Second.

266 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

267 Second.

268 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

269 No objection?

270 Hearing none, the motion is approved.

271 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-337

272 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

273 Item No. 6, Madam Secretary please.

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276 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

277 **ITEM NO. 06**

278 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**
279 **No. 33, S-2023-2025 of Villaba, Leyte** entitled- **"AN**
280 **ORDINANCE REQUIRING MARRIAGE APPLICANT TO PLANT AT**
281 **LEAST FIVE (5) TREES SEEDLINGS BEFORE MARRIAGE LICENSE**
282 **OR CERTIFICATE SHALL BE ISSUED."** Recommended for the
283 declaration of its **VALIDITY** by the Provincial Legal Office per
284 2ndindorsement dated July 7, 2023.

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286 **ITEM NO. 07**

287 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**
288 **No. 34, S-2023-2025 of Villaba, Leyte** entitled- **"AN**
289 **ORDINANCE CRAFTED TO ELIMINATE GENDER-BASED SEXUAL**
290 **HARASSMENT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLABA, LEYTE AND**
291 **IMPOSE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF."**
292 Recommended for the declaration of its **VALIDITY** by the
293 Provincial Legal Office per 2ndindorsement dated July 7,
294 2023.

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296 **ITEM NO. 08**

297 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**
298 **No. 35, S-2023-2025 of Villaba, Leyte** entitled- **"AN**
299 **ORDINANCE ENACTING THE VILLABA YOUTH DEVELOPMENT**
300 **CODE."** Recommended for the declaration of its **VALIDITY**
301 by the Provincial Legal Office per 2ndindorsement dated July
302 7, 2023.

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304 **HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER**

305 We have several items from Villaba, Leyte, Mr. Chair.

306 Will you please recognize the Honorable Remandaban for an omnibus motion?

307 **HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER**

308 The Honorable Remandaban is recognized.

309 **HON. MA. CORAZON E. REMANDABAN: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER**

310 Thank you, Mr. Chair, Madam Floor Leader.

311 Items 6, 7 and 8 are coming from the Municipality of Villaba, Leyte.

312 Item No. 6, is Ordinance No. 33 series of 2023-2025 of Villaba, "An Ordinance

313 Requiring Marriage Applicant to Plant at least Five (5) Trees Seedlings before Marriage

314 License or Certificate shall be issued."

315 Item No. 7, is Ordinance No. 34, series of 2023-2025 also from Villaba, Leyte,
316 entitled-"An Ordinance Crafted to Eliminate Gender-Based Sexual Harassment in the
317 Municipality of Villaba, Leyte and impose Penalties for violations thereof."

318 Item No. 8, is Ordinance No. 35, series of 2023-2025 of the Sangguniang Bayan
319 of Villaba, Leyte, "An Ordinance Enacting the Villaba Youth Development Code."

320 All these Ordinances are pursuant to the power under Section 56 (c) of RA 7160,
321 and also, this is in compliance with the mandate of Section 17-24 of the Code to provide
322 social services for the welfare and for the protection of the environment. And an act to
323 give value to the dignity of every human person and guarantee full respect of human
324 rights and also to promote and protect the physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and
325 social well-being of the youth, respectively.

326 Given the reasons for the Ordinances, I move to approve Items 6, 7 and 8,
327 Ordinance Nos. 33, 34, and 35 from the Municipality of Villaba, Leyte. I so move, Mr.
328 Chair.

329 HON. JO VANILLE CHUA-MERILO: SK FEDERATION PRESIDENT

330 Second.

331 HON . VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

332 Second.

333 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

334 Second.

335 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

336 Any objection?

337 Discussion?

338 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

339 Yes, discussion, Mr. Chairman.

340 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

341 Yes, Honorable Uy is recognized.

342 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

343 Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

344 This is for Item No. 7. This is not actually an objection for the passage of the
345 ordinance. But we have here our legal luminary, Mr. Chairman, I am glad to ask from
346 the Honorable Reposar, I have a legal query with respect to Item No. 7, the Ordinance
347 of Villaba, Leyte, "An Ordinance Crafted to Eliminate Gender-Based Sexual Harassment
348 in the Municipality of Villaba, Leyte and impose penalties for violations thereof."

349 In their penal provision, it is stipulated that anybody who committed said act shall
350 be penalized under the Revised Penal Code. So, are we allowed to say in our
351 Ordinances that the penalty is under the Revised Penal Code considering that, when we
352 craft an ordinance under the Local Government Code, there is a specific provision on
353 our penal provision to limit to only a few days of imprisonment and 2,500 pesos for the
354 penalty? But in this case, the penalty is under the Revised Penal Code. Is it correct, Mr.
355 Chair? Any idea, okay la ba ito nga... because actually it is also, Ordinance like this,
356 Mr. Chair, when there is a national law, we, in the local government are prohibited to
357 come up with our own. Kay gin de degrade mo iton penalty instead of the penal code.
358 But for this case, they stick to the penalty of the national but they come up with their
359 own ordinance.

360 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

361 We can see here from the ordinance cannot supersede the national law. Only
362 lawyers can maybe...

363 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

364 Actually, there is no local ordinance which states that, "national laws can also be
365 applied." The legal implication of that is, the local government unit is thereby waiving its
366 rights to collect the fines or penalties. When you use the national law on certain crimes,
367 any fines or other fees confiscated in relation to the crime committed will be in favour of
368 the national government. So, it seems to me that this ordinance is only just an
369 adaptation of the existing national law which is not actually serving the purpose why we
370 are doing local versions of the ordinances particularly in relation to the penalties as
371 provided for under this ordinance. So, I agree with the observations of the Honorable
372 Uy, why create a local ordinance when you can just apply a national law that already

373 exists and then which is also applicable in scope within the territorial jurisdiction of the
374 Philippines or everywhere or anywhere in the Philippines? So, it seems to me that this
375 ordinance is just an adaptation of the national law. And, I am sure if we review the
376 national law being referred to in this ordinance, we can see the same provisions of that
377 law in this ordinance. But insofar as the legality of this in concerned, I think the
378 ordinance is still valid.

379 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5th DIST. BOARD MEMBER

380 So far, the Honorable Uy did not object?

381 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

382 It is not an objection, Mr. Chair.

383 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5th DIST. BOARD MEMBER

384 Okay, not an objection.

385 So, anymore discussions?

386 So, Items 6, 7 and 8 all coming from Villaba, is approved.

387 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-338

388 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

389 Item No. 9, Madam Secretary please.

390 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

391 **ITEM NO. 09**

392 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**
393 **No. 06- Series of 2023 of Merida, Leyte** entitled- "AN
394 **ORDINANCE DECLARING THE MAGSANGA FESTIVAL TO BE THE**
395 **OFFICIAL FESTIVITY TITLE FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE**
396 **FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MERIDA,**
397 **LEYTE EVERY 2ND DAY OF MARCH OF EVERY YEAR AND**
398 **APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF."** Recommended for the
399 declaration of its **VALIDITY** by the Provincial Legal Office per
400 2nd indorsement dated July 10, 2023.

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ITEM NO. 10

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Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance No. 07- Series of 2023 of Merida, Leyte** entitled- **"AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE OFFICE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT OF MERIDA, PROVINCE OF LEYTE."** Recommended for the declaration of its **VALIDITY** by the Provincial Legal Office per 2nd indorsement dated July 10, 2023.

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ITEM NO. 11

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HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

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Mr. Chairman, we have several Items coming from the Municipality of Merida.

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Items 09, 10 and 11. Will you please recognize the Honorable Rama for these particular

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items, Mr. Chairman?

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HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

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The Honorable Rama, you are recognized.

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HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

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Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer, Madam Floor Leader.

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For the 4th District of Leyte specifically the Municipality of Merida, we have three

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(3) Items. Item Nos. 09, 10 and 11. All have gone through the Provincial Legal Office

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except for one, Item No. 11, which has condition.

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Let me start with Item 09, it is "An Ordinance declaring the Magsanga Festival to

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be the Official Festivity Title for the celebration of the founding anniversary of the

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Municipality of Merida, Leyte every 2nd day of March of every year and appropriating

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funds thereof."

443 This has been recommended for its approval, Mr. Presiding Officer, I'd like to
444 jointly move together with Honorable Centino, for the approval of its validity.

445 Item No. 10, Mr. Presiding Officer, Madam Floor Leader, same is move jointly
446 both by Honorable Centino, it's "An Ordinance creating the Internal Audit Service Office
447 of the Local Government Unit of Merida, Leyte." Also, recommended for its validity by
448 the Provincial Legal Office.

449 Item No. 11, Mr. Presiding Officer, is "An Ordinance renaming the existing
450 Bagsakan Center into a commercial building and establishing a New Bagsakan Center
451 beside the Fish Market Building at Merida Public Market in Barangay Poblacion of this
452 Municipality and imposing fees and other charges on the use of its facilities."

453 Same is moved jointly by the Honorable Centino and I, subject to the condition
454 by the Provincial Legal Office, Mr. Presiding Officer. So, I so move.

455 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

456 Second.

457 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

458 Second.

459 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

460 Second.

461 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

462 Any discussion?

463 The Honorable Reposar?

464 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

465 The same as Item No. 4 of the Municipality of Sta. Fe, Mr. Chair, Section 186,
466 which provides that the fees and charges shall not be unjust, excessive, oppressive,
467 confiscatory or contrary to the declared national policy. I think this Ordinance, the
468 Municipality of Merida should look into Section 187, which requires a conduct of Public
469 Hearing. Perusing on the records of this ordinance, I cannot find any Minutes of the
470 Public Hearing conducted pursuant or in relation to the fees and charges which is
471 provided in this ordinance.

472 This is not an objection but I'd like to request the movant that in the Resolution
473 approving, a condition that they submit the Minutes of the Public Hearing pursuant to
474 Section 187 be provided to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan. Thank you very much.

475 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5th DIST. BOARD MEMBER

476 No more questions?

477 So, the motion is carried and approved.

478 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-339

479 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

480 Madam Secretary, we now go to Item No. 12 please.

481 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

482 **ITEM NO. 12**

483 Presented for consideration is **General Fund**
484 **Supplemental Budget No. 2 FY 2023** of **Tanauan, Leyte**
485 amounting to **Php1,375,000.00** under **Appropriation**
486 **Ordinance No. 2023-06**. Recommended for **APPROVAL** with
487 **CONDITIONS** by the Local Finance Committee per review
488 letter dated July 7, 2023, together with **Supplemental Annual**
489 **Investment Program (AIP) No. 2CY 2023** of the same amount,
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491 **ITEM NO. 13**

492 Presented for consideration is **General Fund**
493 **Supplemental Budget No. 01 FY 2023** of **Inopacan, Leyte**
494 amounting to **Php17,405,632.49** under **Appropriation**
495 **Ordinance No. 23-01**. Recommended for **APPROVAL** with
496 **CONDITIONS** by the Local Finance Committee per review
497 letter dated July 7, 2023, together with **Supplemental Annual**
498 **Investment Plan (AIP) No. 01 for CY 2023** in the amount of
499 **Php22,389,732.49**.
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501 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

502 Mr. Chairman, there are several appropriation ordinances regarding
503 Supplemental Budgets. Will you please recognize the Honorable Uy, for Items 12 and
504 13?

505 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

506 The Honorable Uy is recognized.
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508 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

509 Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. Thank you, Madam Floor Leader.

510 For Item Nos. 12 and 13, are all General Fund Supplemental Budgets. If my
511 motion is in order, Mr. Chair, I move that we declare valid General Fund Supplemental
512 Budget No. 02 for Fiscal Year 2023 of Tanauan, Leyte, together with its Supplemental
513 Annual Investment Program No. 2 for Calendar Year 2023.

514 And also, the General Fund Supplemental Budget No. 01 for Fiscal Year 2023 of
515 Inopacan, Leyte, together with its Supplemental Annual Investment Plan No. 01 for
516 Calendar Year 2023. I so move.

517 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

518 Second.

519 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: 5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

520 Second.

521 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

522 Second.

523 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

524 Second.

525 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

526 Second.

527 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

528 Duly seconded.

529 So, the motion is carried and approved.

530 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-340

531 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

532 Madam Secretary, we now go to Item No. 14.

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537 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

538 **ITEM NO. 14**

539 Presented for consideration is a copy furnished letter
540 dated May 5, 2023 from the **National WaterResources Board,**
541 **DENR,** requesting for the **posting of Water Permit Application**
542 of Joselito V. Babiano located atRomualdez, Libtong, San
543 Miguel, Leyte. A certification for said posting is also
544 requested.

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546 **ITEM NO. 15**

547 Presented for consideration is a copy furnished letter dated
548 May 24, 2023 from the **National WaterResources Board,**
549 **DENR,** requesting for the **posting of Water Permit Application**
550 of Camp BRYZTOFF Resort/Dexter A. Brillollocated at Rizal,
551 Dulag, Leyte. A certification for said posting is also
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554 **ITEM NO. 16**

555 Presented for consideration is a copy furnished letter
556 dated May 24, 2023 from the **National Water Resources**
557 **Board, DENR,** requesting for the **posting of Water Permit**
558 **Application** of BGB Water Refilling Station/Felino S. Beltran
559 located atPob. Zone II, Mayorga, Leyte. A certification for
560 said posting is also requested.

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562 **ITEM NO. 17**

563 Presented for consideration is a copy furnished letter
564 dated May 2, 2023 from the **National WaterResources Board,**
565 **DENR,** requesting for the **posting of Water Permit Application**
566 of EFGM Water Refilling Station/ Melba A.Acebo located
567 atPob. Zone 2, Javier, Leyte. A certification for said posting is
568 also requested

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570 **ITEM NO. 18**

571 Presented for consideration is a copy furnished letter
572 dated May 4, 2023 from the **National WaterResources Board,**
573 **DENR,** requesting for the **posting of Water Permit Application**
574 of AL LUMAPAK Purified Drinking Water Station/ Allan Lowell
575 located atBasud, San Isidro, Leyte. A certification for said
576 posting is also requested.

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Presented for consideration is a copy furnished letter dated May 5, 2023 from the **National Water Resources Board, DENR**, requesting for the **posting of Water Permit Application** of PURA Agri-Ventures & Development Corporation located at Donghol, Ormoc City, Leyte. A certification for said posting is also requested.

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Presented for consideration is a copy furnished letter dated May 9, 2023 from the **National Water Resources Board, DENR**, requesting for the **posting of Water Permit Application** of JFAP Poultry located at Sitio Nayog, Lao, Ormoc City, Leyte. A certification for said posting is also requested.

HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

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Mr. Chairman, we have several Items requesting for posting. These are Item

Nos. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20. Will you please recognize the Honorable Reposar?

HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

The Honorable Reposar is recognized.

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HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

Thank you, very much.

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For Item Nos. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, these are all requests for posting of a water resource permit application of several applicants before the National Water Resources Board (NWRB), Department of Environment and National Resources (DENR). It is actually, a requirement to inform the general public of the application of the said individuals and juridical persons.

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With that being said, Mr. Chair, I move that we favorably grant the requests, the application for water resource use of the individuals and the application, be posted as requested. I so move.

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HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2ND DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

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HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

Second.

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617 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

618 Second.

619 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

620 So, there's a motion by the Honorable Reposar, approving Items 14, 15, 16, 17,
621 18, 19 and 20, duly seconded.

622 So, the motion is carried and approved.

623 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-341

624 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

625 Madam Secretary, we now go to Item No. 21.

626 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

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ITEM NO. 21

628 Presented for consideration is a **Notice of Hearing** from
629 the **National Telecommunications Commission** relative to
630 BMC CASE NO. 2023-066, **Applicant St. Jude Thaddeus**
631 **Institute of Technology, Inc.** requesting the NTC for the
632 **issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC)** to
633 install, operate and maintain an FM Radio Broadcast Station
634 in Villaba, Leyte. Applicant also requests for **issuance of a**
635 **Provisional Authority (PA)** from **NTC** pending final
636 determination of application.

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ITEM NO. 22

639 Presented for consideration is a **Notice of Hearing** from
640 the **National Telecommunications Commission** relative to
641 BMC CASE NO. 2023-090, **Applicant Anthony de Rosas King**
642 **(Quadrillion Cable Net. Inc.)** requesting the NTC for the
643 **issuance of a Certificate of Authority (CA)** to install, operate
644 and maintain a Cable Television (CATV) System in Ormoc
645 City, Leyte. Applicant also requests for **issuance of a**
646 **Provisional Authority (PA)** from **NTC** pending final
647 determination of application.

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649 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

650 Mr. Chairman, will you please recognize the Honorable Centino for Item No. 21
651 please.

652 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

653 The Honorable Centino, you are recognized.

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655 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

656 Mr. Chair, I would like to move to take note of this Item and also Item No. 22

657 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

658 I second.

659 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

660 Duly noted.

661 The motion is carried and approved.

662 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-342

663 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

664 Mr. Chair?

665 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

666 The Honorable Reposar.

667 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

668 I would like to join the motion of Honorable Centino particularly that the hearing

669 scheduled of these two Items are actually July 3 and 5, 2023. Thank you, very much.

670 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

671 Madam Floor Leader?

672 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

673 Madam Secretary, we now go to Item No. 23.

674 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

675 **ITEM NO. 23**

676 Presented for consideration is a **request** for **Posting of**
677 **the Order and Notice of Virtual Hearing** for ERC Case No.
678 2023-069 per ERC instructions.

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680 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

681 Mr. Chairman, will you recognize the Honorable Carmen Cari?

682 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

683 The Honorable Carmen Cari is recognized.

684 HON. CARMEN L. CARI: PCL PRESIDENT

685 Thank you, Mr. Chair. Thank you, Madam Floor Leader.

686 Presented for consideration is a request for Posting of the Order and Notice of
687 Virtual Hearing for ERC Case No. 2023-069 per ERC instructions.

688 Mr. Chair, I think this is just an ordinary posting of the Order and Notice of Virtual
689 Hearing for this particular case. And I move to approve this Item No. 23. I so move, Mr.
690 Chair.

691 HON. WILSON S. UY: 1ST DIST. BOARD MEMBER

692 Second.

693 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

694 I second.

695 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

696 Duly seconded.

697 The motion is carried and approved.

698 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-343

699 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

700 Mr. Presiding Officer?

701 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

702 Yes, the Honorable Rama.

703 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

704 Since there are no more Items for today's session, Madam Floor Leader, if it is
705 not too much to ask, I'd like to move for the adjournment for today's session.

706 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: TEMP. FLOOR LEADER/2ND DIST. BOARD MEMBER

707 Any second?

708 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1ST DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

709 Second.

710 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

711 There's a motion to adjourn for today's session, duly seconded.

712 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: 5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

713 Mr. Chair?

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715 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

716 Yes, the Honorable Loreto.

717 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: 5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

718 With due respect to the Honorable Rama, may I move that we pass a Resolution
719 of Condolences for the passing away of the father of the Mayor of Merida, Rolando
720 Villasencio. His father passed away. I so move.

721 HON. MA. CORAZON M. REMANDABAN: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

722 Second.

723 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

724 Second.

725 HON. MARIE KATHRYN V. KABIGTING: 3RD DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

726 Second.

727 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

728 Second.

729 For the information of all, the late father's name is Frederico Villasencio. Take
730 note Madam Secretary. So, mass motion.

731 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

732 So, approved with a mass motion.

733 Approved.

RES. NO. 2023-344

734 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: 5TH DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

735 Thank you, Mr. Chair. Thank you, Honorable Rama.

736 I second the motion to the adjournment.

737 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5TH DIST. BOARD MEMBER

738 So, the adjournment is duly seconded. The session is adjourned.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing minutes.

FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

APPROVED:

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