

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing minutes.

FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

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Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
PROVINCE OF LEYTE  
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SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

MINUTES OF THE 61<sup>ST</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE, HELD AT THE SESSION HALL, LEYTE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, PALO, LEYTE ON 3 OCTOBER 2023.

PHYSICALLY PRESENT:

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| 1. Hon. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar | 1 <sup>st</sup> District Board Member                              |
| 2. Hon. Raissa J. Villasin          | 2 <sup>nd</sup> District Board Member                              |
| 3. Hon. Marie Kathryn V. Kabigting  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> District Board Member                              |
| 4. Hon. Flaviano C. Centino, Jr.    | 4 <sup>th</sup> District Board Member                              |
| 5. Hon. Michael L. Cari             | 5 <sup>th</sup> District Board Member<br>(Temp. Presiding Officer) |
| 6. Hon. Carlo P. Loreto             | 5 <sup>th</sup> District Board Member                              |
| 7. Hon. Carmen L. Cari              | Ex-Officio Member, PCL President                                   |
| 8. Hon. Nolie C. Caña               | Ex-Officio Member, Liga ng Mga<br>Barangay President               |

VIRTUALLY PRESENT:

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| 1. Hon. Wilson S. Uy              | 1 <sup>st</sup> District Board Member |
| 2. Hon. Trinidad G. Apostol       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> District Board Member |
| 3. Hon. Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban | 3 <sup>rd</sup> District Board Member |
| 4. Hon. Vincent L. Rama           | 4 <sup>th</sup> District Board Member |
| 5. Hon. Jo Vanille Chua-Merilo    | Ex-Officio Member, SK President       |

ABSENT:

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| 6. Hon. Leonardo Javier, Jr. | Vice-Governor<br>(On Leave) |
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The 61<sup>st</sup> Regular Session opened at 10:50 o'clock in the morning presided over by the Honorable Michael L. Cari, Temporary Presiding Officer, and Representative of the 5th District of Leyte.

Opening Prayer was led by the Honorable Trinidad G. Apostol, Representative of the 1st District of Leyte and followed by the singing of the Philippine National Anthem.

A motion to dispense with the Panunumpa sa Watawat, the Leyte Hymn, the PBMLP Hymn and the PBMLP Creed of the agenda was presented by the Honorable

51 Floor Leader Carlo P. Loreto, duly seconded by the Honorable Ronnan Christian Mr.  
52 Reposar, Representative of the 1st District of Leyte.

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

54 The Temporary Presiding Officer, Honorable Michael L. Cari, requested the  
55 Sangguniang Panlalawigan Secretary Mrs. Florinda Jill S. Uyvico to call the roll in order  
56 to determine the presence of quorum.

57 **MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY**

58 The following Members are in attendance:

59 **Physically Present:**

60 Hon. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar

61 Hon. Raissa J. Villasin

62 Hon. Marie Kathryn V. Kabigting

63 Hon. Flaviano C. Centino, Jr.

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

65 Hon. Carlo P. Loreto

66 Hon. Carmen L. Cari

67 Hon. Nolie C. Caña

68 **Virtually Present:**

69 Hon. Wilson S. Uy

70 Hon. Trinidad G. Apostol

71 Hon. Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban

72 Hon. Vincent L. Rama

73 Hon. Jo Vanille Chua-Merilo

74 Thirteen (13) Members are present, Mr. Chair, Madam Floor.

75 **HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER**

76 We have a quorum, Mr. Chair.

77 **HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER**

78 Okay, we have a quorum to do business.

79 **HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER**

80 We have the minutes of the previous session of September 26, 2023, Mr. Chair.

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

82 Will you please recognize the Honorable Apostol, Mr. Chair?

83 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

84 The Honorable Ebbie Apostol, you are recognized.

85 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

86 Thank you, Mr. Chairman, thank you, Mr. Floor Leader.

87 I would like that lines 1475 to 1477 be deleted. That is my correction. Thank you  
88 very much.

89 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

90 Do we have corrections from the other Members?

91 There being none, Mr. Chair, I move that we approve the Minutes of September  
92 26, 2023, subject to the corrections as stated by the Honorable Apostol. I so move.

93 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

94 Second.

95 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

96 There is a motion by Honorable Carlo, seconded by Maam Ebbie.

97 Any objection?

98 There being none, approved.

99 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-464**

100 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

101 We now proceed to the First Reading and Reference of Business.

102 We have 2 Draft Ordinances. Madam Secretary, will you please read the first  
103 draft Ordinance?

104 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

105 **IX. 1<sup>st</sup> Reading and Reference of Business:**

106 1. Proposed Provincial Ordinance No. 2023-  
107 "An Ordinance Banning the Sale, Rental, Transfer, Distribution,  
108 Manufacture, and/or Production of Pirated, Counterfeit, or Fake Goods,  
109 or Drugs/Medicines and for other purposes."  
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111 Author: Atty. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar

112 Chairperson, Committee on Rules, Laws and Privileges.

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Palo, Leyte



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SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

120 EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE \_\_\_\_ SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG  
121 PANLALAWIGAN, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, CONDUCTED AT THE SESSION HALL, LEYTE  
122 PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, PALO, LEYTE ON \_\_\_\_\_.

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124 **PHYSICALLY PRESENT:**

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127 **VIRTUALLY PRESENT:**

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-\_\_\_\_\_**

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132 A RESOLUTION APPROVING ON THIRD AND FINAL READING, PROVINCIAL  
133 ORDINANCE NO. 2023-\_\_\_\_, ENTITLED:" AN ORDINANCE BANNING THE SALE,  
134 RENTAL, TRANSFER,  
135 DISTRIBUTION, MANUFACTURE, AND/OR PRODUCTION OF  
136 PIRATED, COUNTERFEIT, OR FAKE GOODS, OR DRUGS/MEDICINES AND FOR OTHER  
137 PURPOSES."

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139 **WHEREAS**, the Provincial Government of Leyte adheres to the policy of the  
140 national government to curb the proliferation and introduction into commerce  
141 of pirated, counterfeit, or fake goods, or drugs/medicines and the commission  
142 of other acts that violate intellectual property rights as protected by law;

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144 **WHEREAS**, piracy and counterfeiting of intellectual property rights not only  
145 cause economic prejudice and demoralization among legitimate businessmen  
146 and establishments which offer products and services dependent on intellectual  
147 property protection, but also undermine the Province strategy for growth and  
148 development and result in unrealized revenues and taxes;

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150 **WHEREAS**, Section 2of R.A. No. 8203 or the "Special Law on Counterfeit  
151 Drugs" provides that in order to safeguard the health of the people, the state  
152 shall provide for their protection against counterfeit drugs.

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154           **WHEREAS**, the State's policy to enhance the enforcement of intellectual  
155 property rights requires the determined and active support of the local  
156 government units;

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158           **WHEREAS**, Department of Interior and Local Government in its  
159 Memorandum Circular No. 2020-124 enjoins local government units (LGUs) to  
160 issue an Ordinance banning the sale, transfer, distribution, manufacture, and/or  
161 production of pirated, counterfeit, or fake goods within the LGU.  
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163           **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the \_\_\_<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang  
164 Pantatawagan of Leyte, in regular session assembled that:

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167           **SECTION 1. Short Title.** This Ordinance shall be known as the "Anti-Pirated,  
168 Anti-Counterfeit and/or Anti-Fake Goods, or Drugs/Medicines Ordinance."  
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171           **SECTION 2. Purpose.** This Ordinance aims to prevent the sale, rental,  
172 transfer, distribution, manufacture and/or production of pirated, counterfeit, or  
173 fake goods, or drugs/medicines.  
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176           **SECTION 3. Scope.** This Ordinance applies to all persons who are engaged  
177 in the sale, rental, transfer, distribution, manufacture and/or production of  
178 pirated, counterfeit, or fake goods, or drugs/medicines within the territorial  
179 jurisdiction of the Province of Leyte.  
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182           **SECTION 4. Definition of Terms** – For the purpose of this Ordinance, the  
183 following terms are defined as follows:

184           a. **Counterfeit Drugs/Medicines** –refer to medical products with the  
185 correct ingredients but not in the amount as provided hereunder,  
186 wrong ingredients, without active ingredients, with sufficient quantity of  
187 active ingredients, which results in the reduction of drug safety,  
188 efficacy, quality, strength or purity. It is a drug which is deliberately and  
189 fraudulently mislabeled with respect to identity and/or source or with  
190 fake packaging, and can apply to both branded and generic  
191 products. It shall also refer to: 1) the drug itself or the container or  
192 labeling thereof or any part of such drug, container or labeling bearing  
193 *without authorization* the trademark, trade name or other identification  
194 mark or imprint or any likeness to that which is owned or registered in  
195 the Bureau of Patent, Trademark and Technology Transfer (BPTTT) in the  
196 name of another natural or juridical person; 2) a drug product refilled in  
197 containers by an unauthorized persons if the legitimate labels or marks  
198 are used; 3) a drug which contains no amount of or a different active  
199 ingredient or less than eighty percent (80%) of the active ingredient it  
200 purports to possess as distinguished from an adulterated drug including  
201 reduction or loss of efficacy due to expiration.  
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203           b. **Counterfeit Goods** – refer to any goods or materials including  
204 packaging bearing *without authorization* a trademark which is

205 identical to a trademark validly registered with the Intellectual property  
206 Office of the Philippines (IPOPPL) or already declared as a well-known  
207 mark internationally and in the Philippines by a competent authority in  
208 respect of such goods or which cannot be distinguished in its essential  
209 aspects from such a trademark and which thereby infringes the rights  
210 of the owner of the trademark in question.

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212 c. **Goods** – refer to alcoholic drinks, cigarettes, cell phones, construction  
213 materials, parts of vehicles, cosmetics, foot wears, clothes, foods and  
214 other items, articles, products or commodities that individuals or  
215 companies sell, and in turn, consumers purchase these goods to fill a  
216 want or need. They are tangible items with physical attributes that you  
217 can touch, feel and see—like color, size, shape and weight.

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219 d. **Persons** – refer to natural and juridical persons

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221 e. **Pirated Goods**– refer to any goods, materials, or content which are  
222 made, produced, or replicated without the consent of the right holder  
223 or person duly authorized by the right holder and which are made,  
224 produced, or replicated directly or indirectly from articles or content  
225 where the making of that copy would have constituted an  
226 infringement of copyright or related rights.

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228 f. **Premises** – refer to the areas inside and outside of the building, house  
229 or store being used for business including the extension such as, stall,  
230 table, etc., within two (2) meters from the door, window, or any  
231 opening leading to such building, house or store.

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234 **SECTION 5. Condition in the Business Permits.** All business licenses and  
235 permits issued by the component Cities and Municipal Governments in the  
236 Province of Leyte shall carry the express conditions: a) that the licensee shall not  
237 engage in the sale, rental, transfer, distribution, manufacture and/or production  
238 of pirated, counterfeit, or fake goods, or drugs/medicines; and (b) that the  
239 licensee shall not allow other persons to commit said acts within the licensee's  
240 business establishments or premises.

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243 **SECTION 6. Suspension and Cancellation of Permit.** Any breach or violation  
244 of the condition as set forth in the preceding Section shall be a ground for the  
245 suspension of the business permit or license for a period of not more than ten  
246 (10) days for the first violation, thirty (30) days for the second violation, and  
247 cancellation thereof for a third and subsequent violations, without prejudice to  
248 the imposition of penalty under Section 11.1(a) hereof.

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251 **SECTION 7. Confiscation of Goods and/or Drugs/Medicines.** The pirated,  
252 counterfeit, and/or fake goods or medicines of any person engaged in any  
253 business or trade, with or without any license or permit shall be  
254 confiscated without prejudice to the application of suspension or cancellation of  
255 permit under Section 6 and imposition of penalty under Section 11.1(a) hereof,  
256 and disposed of in accordance with law.

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259           **SECTION 8. Procedure of Confiscation.** The implementing unit/s shall  
260 observe the following procedures in the confiscation of items as provided on the  
261 preceding section;

262           a. Apprise the violator that the item he/she is selling, renting,  
263 transferring, distributing, manufacturing and/or producing is  
264 subject for confiscation under this ordinance.

265           b. Issue Ordinance Violation Receipt (OVR) to the violator as  
266 provided for in the succeeding Section hereof.

267           c. The confiscated items shall be transported by the members of  
268 the implementing unit/s to the designated storage room for  
269 safekeeping.

270           d. The confiscation shall be reported to the nearest PNP Station for  
271 record purposes.

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273           **SECTION 9. Storage Room.** The confiscated items prior to proper disposal  
274 shall be placed or kept on the storage room or area under the watch of a  
275 custodian. The storage room and the custodian shall be both designated by the  
276 Leyte Provincial Police Office Director.

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279           **SECTION 10. Notice of Order to Suspend, Cancel, or Confiscate.** In the  
280 cases covered under Sections 5 and 6 hereof, the violator-licensee may, within  
281 twenty four (24) hours from the notice of an order to suspend or cancel the  
282 business license or permit or to confiscate of pirated, counterfeit, or fake goods,  
283 or drugs/medicines, present and submit to the office of the mayor a request for  
284 reconsideration of the said order. The Mayor shall decide the said request within  
285 fifteen (15) days from receipt thereof.

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287           The notice of suspension or cancellation of the business license or permit  
288 shall be issued by the Mayor after an inspection of the business establishment  
289 concerned is conducted. The inspection may be on occasion of a general  
290 inspection regularly conducted by the concerned LGU, or for such purpose only  
291 upon receipt of a complaint or information that the licensee is engaged in the  
292 sale, rental, transfer, distribution, manufacture, and/or production of pirated,  
293 counterfeit, or fake goods, or drugs/medicines.

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296           **SECTION 11. Penalties.**

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298           11.1 The penalty of a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (PhP 3,000.00) or an  
299 imprisonment for a period not exceeding three(3) months, or both, in the  
300 discretion of the court, shall be imposed for every violation upon:  
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302 a) Any person who, having been issued a business license or permit, shall  
303 commit a breach of any of the conditions thereof imposed by Section  
304 5 of this Ordinance;  
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306 11.2 The penalty of a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (PhP 5,000.00) or an  
307 imprisonment for a period not exceeding six (6) months, or both, in the discretion  
308 of the court, shall be imposed for every violation upon:  
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310 a) Any person who, without any business license or permit, shall engage in  
311 the sale, rental, transfer, distribution, manufacture, and/or production of  
312 pirated, counterfeit, or fake goods, medicines, or services.  
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315 **SECTION 12. Juridical Person Liable.** Should the offense be committed by  
316 juridical person, the stockholder, chairperson, president, office director, trustee,  
317 partner, or manager who committed or caused the commission of such offense,  
318 shall be held liable.  
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321 **SECTION 13. No Double Jeopardy.** The prosecution of commission of any  
322 of the foregoing offenses shall not constitute a bar for the prosecution of offense  
323 under the Intellectual Property Code and other related laws, provided the  
324 accused shall not be placed in double jeopardy.  
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327 **SECTION 14. Ordinance Violation Receipt (OVR).** A member of the  
328 implementing unit/s shall issue OVR to the violator as proof of apprehension,  
329 another copy of the OVR shall be retained by the implementing unit/s and the  
330 third copy shall be transmitted by it to the SP Secretariat for record purposes. If  
331 the violator refused to receive the OVR, his name shall be written by a member  
332 of the implementing unit/s on the OVR with a notation "refused to receive" on  
333 the space right beneath his name.  
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335 Copy of this OVR shall be presented by the violator of this Ordinance to  
336 the Treasurer of the concerned Local Government Unit during the payment of  
337 administrative fine.  
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340 **SECTION 15. Offer to Compromise.** Any violator of this Ordinance may  
341 offer to compromise by paying the administrative fine. An offer to compromise  
342 shall only be applied to the first and second violations. For this purpose, the fines  
343 prescribed for in Section 11 hereof for the first and second violations shall be  
344 treated as administrative fines. An offer to compromise shall no longer be  
345 allowed for third and succeeding violations.  
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347 **SECTION 16. Payment of Administrative Fine.** -Administrative Fine shall be  
348 paid to the Office of the Treasurer of the Province or its component LGU where  
349 the violation happened and a corresponding official receipt shall thereafter be  
350 issued. The violator shall then present the official receipt to the concerned  
351 member of the implementing Task Force for appropriate action.  
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354           **SECTION 17. Non-Payment of Administrative Fine.** If the violator of this  
355 Ordinance fails or refuses to pay the administrative fine within three (3) days  
356 upon receipt or refusal to receive the OVR, appropriate case shall be filed in  
357 court by the implementing Task Force against the said violator.  
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360           **SECTION 18. Sharing of Administrative Fine.** Administrative fine shall be  
361 shared as follows:

362           a. If fine is paid to the Treasurer of the component LGU, sixty percent  
363           (60%) of such fine shall accrue as revenue and be retained by such  
364           LGU and forty percent (40%) shall accrue as revenue of the  
365           Province and be remitted to the Provincial Treasurer's Office.  
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367           b. If fine is paid to the Treasurer of the Province, sixty percent (60%) of  
368           such fine shall accrue as revenue and be retained by the Province  
369           and forty percent (40%) shall accrue as revenue of the component  
370           LGU and be remitted to the Treasurer's Office of such LGU.  
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373           **SECTION 19. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** The Provincial Legal  
374 Office, and Leyte Provincial Police Office, in consultation with the Committee on  
375 Rules, Laws and Privileges and the Committee on Trade, Investment and  
376 Economic Affairs of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, shall draft the  
377 Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) within thirty (30) days after the  
378 approval of this Ordinance.  
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381           **SECTION 20. Implementing Unit/s.** This Ordinance shall be implemented by  
382 the Leyte Provincial Police Office, if necessary, with the assistance or  
383 coordination of the National Bureau of Investigation, Food and Drug  
384 Administration, Intellectual Property Rights Enforcement Office, and other  
385 agencies of the government.  
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388           **SECTION 21. Separability Clause.** If any provision or part thereof is declared  
389 invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions of this Ordinance or parts hereof  
390 not otherwise affected shall remain valid and subsisting.  
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393           **SECTION 22. Repealing Clause.** All prior ordinances or parts thereof  
394 inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.  
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397           **SECTION 23. Effectivity Clause.** A copy of this Ordinance shall be posted in  
398 three (3) conspicuous places within the Leyte Provincial Capitol for three (3)  
399 consecutive weeks, and be published in a newspaper of general circulation  
400 within the Province of Leyte. This Ordinance shall take effect on the day  
401 following its publication, or at the end of the period of posting, whichever occurs  
402 later.  
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405           **Approved unanimously.**  
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407 I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.  
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410 **ATTESTED:**

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412 **Atty. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar**  
413 1<sup>st</sup> District Board Member  
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**Hon. Wilson S. Uy**  
1<sup>st</sup> District Board Member

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416 **Hon. Trinidad G. Apostol**  
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421 3<sup>rd</sup> District Board Member  
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434 Liga ng mga Brgy. President  
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PCL President  
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440 **Hon. Jo Vanille C. Merilo**  
441 SK Federation President  
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447 **Hon. Leonardo M. Javier, Jr.**  
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451 **Approved:**  
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454 **Carlos Jericho L. Petilla**  
455 Governor  
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461 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

462 Mr. Chair, I move that we approve this on First Reading and refer it to the  
463 Committee on Trade and Economic Affairs. I so move.

464 HON. MARIE KATHRYN V. KABIGTING: 3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

465 Second.

466 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

467 Second.

468 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

469 So, approved and referred to the Committee Chaired by Honorable Chinggay  
470 Kabigting.

471 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. . 2023-465**

472 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

473 The second Ordinance please read the title, Madam Secretary?

474 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

475 **2. Proposed Prov'l. Ordinance No. 2023-**

476 **"An Ordinance Providing for the Conservation and Management of The Leyte**  
477 **Sab-A Basin Peatland and all other Resources within the Province of Leyte,**  
478 **Defining its Scope and Coverage and for other Purposes."**

479 **Author: Atty. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar**

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481 **Chairperson, Committee on Rules, Laws and Privileges**

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483 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

484 Mr. Chair, I move we approve the title on first reading and refer it to the  
485 Committee on Environment. I so move.

486 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

487 Second.

488 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

489 Second.

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492 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

493 The second ordinance approved on first reading and refers to the Chairman of  
494 the Committee on Environment.

495 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-466**

496 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

497 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

498 We now proceed to the Committee Reports.

499 Considering that none has been registered and considering that none has been  
500 manifested to be reported, we proceed to the Business of the Day.

501 Item No. 01, Madam Secretary please.

502 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

503 **BUSINESS OF THE DAY**

504 **ITEM NO. 01**

505 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**  
506 **No. 2023-185 of Carigara, Leyte** entitled: "AN ORDINANCE  
507 **RECLASSIFYING THE TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE (275)**  
508 **SQUARE METERS OF LAND IDENTIFIED AS LOT NO. 673 REM.**  
509 **PORTION, COVERED UNDER TAX DECLARATION NO. 08-1104-**  
510 **00101, IN THE NAME OF EUSEBIO CANABE, LOCATED AT BRGY.**  
511 **BARUGOHAY CENTRAL, CARIGARA LEYTE, WITH A TOTAL AREA**  
512 **OF 2,745 SQUARE METERS, FROM AGRICULTURAL TO**  
513 **RESIDENTIAL USE."Same is recommended by the Provincial**  
514 **Legal Office per 2<sup>nd</sup>indorsement dated September 26, 2023,**  
515 **THAT the local council follow and adhere to the restrictions**  
516 **and guidelines set forth by DILG opinion no. 22 regarding the**  
517 **reclassification of the lands in question**

518 **ITEM NO. 02**

520 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**  
521 **2023-186 of Carigara, Leyte** entitled: "AN ORDINANCE  
522 **RECLASSIFYING LOT NO. 7088 UNDER TAX DECLARATION NO.**  
523 **08-110029-00390, IN THE NAME OF LUCIA I. TRANI, LOCATED**  
524 **AT BRGY. LIBO, CARIGARA, LEYTE, WITH AN AREA OF 2,015**  
525 **SQUARE METERS, FROM AGRICULTURAL TO RESIDENTIAL**  
526 **USE."Same is recommended by the Provincial Legal Office**  
527 **per 2<sup>nd</sup>indorsement dated September 26, 2023, THAT the**  
528 **local council follow and adhere to the restrictions and**  
529 **guidelines set forth by DILG opinion no. 22 regarding the**  
530 **reclassification of the lands in question.**

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533 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

534 Mr. Chair, there are 2 Items coming from Carigara, both, reclassification of lands.

535 Will you please recognize the Honorable Apostol for Items 1 and 2?

536 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

537 The Honorable Ebbie Apostol, you are recognized.

538 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

539 Thank you, Mr. Chairman, thank you, Mr. Floor Leader.

540 For Item Nos. 1 and 2, these are Ordinances reclassifying Agricultural lands to a  
541 Residential lands from the Municipality of Carigara, Leyte.

542 Mr. Chairman, reclassification alone will not suffice to use the agricultural lands  
543 for other purposes. Conversion is needed to change the current use of the reclassified  
544 lands.

545 Mr. Chairman, these are the recommendations coming from the Provincial Legal  
546 Office:

547 1. That the SB of Carigara seeks to reclassify Lot No. 673 under tax declaration  
548 No. 08-11004-00101 in the name of Eusebio Canabe from Agricultural to Residential.

549 2. That pursuant to DILG opinion No. 22, s. 2020 dated January 31, 2020 and  
550 citing the Supreme Court Decision in the case of "Chamber of Real Estate and Builders  
551 Association, Inc. vs. The Secretary of Agrarian Reform, reclassification alone will not  
552 suffice to use the agricultural lands for other purposes. Conversion is needed to change  
553 the current use of the reclassified lands.

554 3. That the Provincial Legal Office recommends that considering the foregoing,  
555 the local council follows and adhere to the restrictions and guidelines set forth by DILG  
556 opinion No. 22 regarding the reclassification of these lands in question.

557 Mr. Chairman, I would suggest, in my observation, I would like to refer this to the  
558 Committee on Land Use. And get the opinion or comment of the Department of Agrarian  
559 Reform, since the Department of Agrarian Reform is the government body who is  
560 responsible for authorizing and regulating in the conversion of agricultural land to non-  
561 agricultural uses. The DAR enforces a comprehensive set of criteria and amendments to

562 the guidelines ensuring that it can consider only qualified agricultural lands for  
563 conversions to strike a balance between the imperatives of economic development  
564 and the preservation of natural resources, which are vital to the nation's food security and  
565 rural livelihoods. Consequently, the critical role of DAR accentuates the complexity of  
566 land use conversion in the Philippines in safeguarding the interests of multiple  
567 stakeholders while navigating the delicate equilibrium between progress and  
568 sustainability. However, the Philippines' authorized agency to approve and disapprove  
569 the conversion of agricultural lands into non-agricultural uses has a list of provisions for  
570 agricultural lands qualified for conversion:

- 571 1. Can only be converted five (5) years after the granting of the award.
- 572 2. If the land is no longer economically feasible.
- 573 3. If the land is no longer sound for agricultural uses.
- 574 4. If the locality where it belongs has become too urbanized, the subjected  
575 Agricultural land would be of more excellent value when converted to  
576 Commercial, Industrial, and Residential purposes.

577 These follow Sections 65 and 49 of the Republic Act No. 6657, amended by  
578 Executive No. 129-A, paragraph (13), Section 3, Title XI E.O. No. 292 or the Revised  
579 Administrative Code of the DAR.

580 With this observation, Mr. Chair, I would like to refer these to the Committee on  
581 Land Use and get the recommendation and opinion of the Department of Agrarian  
582 Reform since the DAR is the agency that is authorized in the conversion of agricultural  
583 land to other purpose. That is my observation, Mr. Chairman. Thank you.

584 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>T</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

585 Second.

586 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

587 There was a moved by the Honorable Ebbie Apostol, seconded by Honorable  
588 Carlo.

589 Any objection?

590 None, approved.

591 Referred to committee.

592 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-467**

593 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

594 Next item, Honorable Carlo.

595 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>T</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

596 Item No. 3, Madam Secretary please.

597 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

598 **ITEM NO. 03**

599 Presented for consideration is Municipal **Ordinance**  
600 **No. 013 series of 2023 of Pastrana, Leyte** entitled: **"AN**  
601 **ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION COCKFIGHTING**  
602 **AND IMPOSING FEES AND CHARGES THEREOF AND FOR OTHER**  
603 **PURPOSES."** Same is recommended for **VALIDITY** with  
604 **CONDITION** by the Provincial Legal Office per  
605 **2<sup>nd</sup> indorsement dated September 26, 2023.**  
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608 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>T</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

609 Will you please recognize the Honorable Villasin, Mr. Chair?

610 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

611 Thank you, Mr. Chair, Mr. Floor Leader.

612 Item No. 03, presented for consideration is Municipal Ordinance No. 013 series  
613 of 2023 of Pastrana, Leyte entitled: "An Ordinance Regulating the Operation of  
614 Cockfighting and Imposing Fees and Charges thereof and for other purposes."

615 This has been recommended for its validity by the Provincial Legal Office, per 2<sup>nd</sup>  
616 indorsement dated September 26, 2023, pursuant to its power under Section 56 (c) of  
617 R.A. 7160, the same being to the opinion of the Provincial Legal Office an exercise of  
618 the power under Section 447(3)(V) of the Code. Provided, that it conforms to Section 5  
619 (a) and (d) of P.D. 449 and DILG Opinion No. 296-1993.

620 If my motion is in order, I move to declare valid Ordinance No. 013, series of  
621 2023 of Pastrana, Leyte.

622 I so move.

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624 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

625 Second.

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

627 Second.

628 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

629 Second.

630 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

631 So, there is a move by Raissa, seconded by Carlo, Nolie and Ivan.

632 Any objection?

633 Hearing none, motion is approved.

634 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-468**

635 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

636 Item No. 4, Madam Secretary please.

637 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

638 **ITEM NO. 04**

639 Presented for consideration is Municipal Ordinance  
640 **No. 480-140823 of Palompon, Leyte** entitled: "AN  
641 **ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING FEES AND CHARGES FOR**  
642 **TRAININGS, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS, SHORT COURSES AND**  
643 **OTHER RELATED ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY PALOMPON, LEYTE**  
644 **TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTER AND**  
645 **ASSESSMENT CENTER INCLUDING THE USE OF ITS BUILDING AND**  
646 **FACILITIES."** Same is recommended for **VALIDITY** by the  
647 Provincial Legal Office per 2<sup>nd</sup> indorsement dated September  
648 26, 2023.

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650 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

651 Mr. Chair, will you please recognize the illustrious Gentleman from Palompon,  
652 the Honorable Centino, Mr. Chair?

653 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

654 The Honorable Ivan Centino is recognized.

655 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

656 Thank you, Floor Leader, thank you Presiding Officer.

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658 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

659 Welcome.

660 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

661 Item No. 4, is Municipal Ordinance No. 480-140823 of Palompon, Leyte, "An  
662 Ordinance Prescribing Fees and Charges for Trainings, Seminars, Workshops, Short  
663 Courses and other related Activities conducted by Palompon, Leyte Technical and  
664 Vocational Training Center and Assessment Center including the use of its building and  
665 facilities.

666 This has been recommended for the declaration of its validity by the Provincial  
667 Legal Office as per its 2<sup>nd</sup> Indorsement dated September 26, 2023.

668 So, I therefore move for the declaration of its validity, Mr. Chair. I so move.

669 HON. CARMEN L. CARI: PCL PRESIDENT

670 Second.

671 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

672 Second.

673 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

674 There is a move by the Honorable Ivan Centino, seconded Honorable Carlo and  
675 Maam Carmen Cari.

676 Any objection?

677 Hearing none.

678 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-469**

679 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

680 Item No. 5, Madam Secretary please.

681 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

682 **ITEM NO. 05**

683 Presented for consideration is **Ordinance No. 23-12 of**  
684 **Inopacan, Leyte** entitled: **"AN ORDINANCE AMENDING**  
685 **ORDINANCE NO. 11-01, ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE CREATING**  
686 **THE INOPACAN TOURISM COUNCIL DEFINING ITS**  
687 **COMPOSITION, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS' IN THE MUNICIPALITY**  
688 **OF INOPACAN, PROVINCE OF LEYTE."** Same is recommended

689 for **VALIDITY** by the Provincial Legal Office per 2<sup>nd</sup>  
690 indorsement dated September 26, 2023.

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**ITEM NO. 06**

693 Presented for consideration is **Ordinance No. 2023-04**  
694 **of Hindang, Leyte** entitled: "**AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING**  
695 **EACH AND EVERY HINDANGANON WHO WILL BECOME**  
696 **TOPNOTCHERS IN THE NATIONAL BOARD EXAMINATION OR**  
697 **BAR EXAMINATION GIVEN BY THE PROFESSIONAL**  
698 **REGULATORY COMMISSION AND THE SUPREME COURT OF THE**  
699 **PHILIPPINES.**" Same is recommended by the Provincial Legal  
700 Office per 2<sup>nd</sup> indorsement dated September 26, 2023, **THAT** a  
701 **review** be made on the subject of where the funds are to be  
702 sourced to insure that the same does not run contrary to the  
703 mandate of Section 335 chapter 4 of the Code.

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705 **HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER**

706 We now proceed. Items 05 and 06 are ordinances from 5<sup>th</sup> District. I am honored  
707 to pass an omnibus resolution approving both ordinances, from Inopacan and Hindang.

708 I so move.

709 **HON. CARMEN L. CARI: PCL PRESIDENT**

710 Second.

711 **HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER**

712 So, there's a motion by the Honorable Loreto, on Item Nos. 05 and 06.

713 Any comments?

714 Questions?

715 Yes, the Honorable Reposar.

716 **HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER**

717 Thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Chair and Honorable Floor Leader.

718 This refers to Item No. 06, Honorable Floor Leader, who is the movant.  
719 Particularly, referring to the observations of the Provincial Legal Office No. 4 and 5,  
720 referring to the source of the funds which will be intended to giving incentives for the  
721 passers and toppers in national examinations. I think that we should also consider  
722 the same before approving it since, according to the Provincial Legal Office, the  
723 provision of Section 335 Chapter 4 of the Local Government Code, provides that no  
724 public money or property shall be appropriated or applied for religious or private

725 purposes. Hence, they were recommending that the same be reviewed and the source  
726 of funds to be sourced be reviewed to ensure that the same does not in contrary to the  
727 mandate of Section 335 Chapter 4 of the Local Government Code. I think we have a  
728 similar ordinance before that we returned seeking for verification to the Local  
729 Government Unit of origin where the funds will be sourced. Same situation.

730 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

731 If I may, Mr. Chair.

732 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

733 Yes, the Honorable Loreto.

734 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

735 Section 335 of the Local Government Code prohibits expenditure of public funds  
736 for religious or private purposes. Example would be, if there is a fiesta, funds may not  
737 be expended to promote the fiesta. However, when there are sports activities like  
738 basketball tournaments or volleyball tournaments or beauty pageants, social activities,  
739 public funds may be expended for the purpose. This has been established. By giving  
740 incentives for exemplary performance in sport, educational achievement or other  
741 exemplary service, they are allowed and this has been established also by  
742 jurisprudence, Mr. Chair. So, it is not considered expenditure for personal purpose when  
743 it is imbued with public interest like when it gives honor and prestige to the local  
744 government. As in this case, like passing or topping the bar exams or topping the board  
745 exams by the PRC.

746 So, on that note we take exception to the observation that public funds are being  
747 expended for religious or personal purpose, in the instant case, Mr. Chair.

748 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

749 I just would like to make a manifestation, Mr. Chair, if I may be recognized.

750 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

751 The Honorable Reposar, Mr. Chair.

752 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

753 The Honorable Reposar.



786 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

787 Yes, the Honorable Apostol, you are recognized.

788 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

789 Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Mr. Floor Leader.

790 Item No. 07, presented for consideration is a request for accreditation of Cuta  
791 Farmers Multipurpose Cooperative (CFMPC) of Barangay Cuta, Barugo, Leyte with the  
792 Provincial Government of Leyte as non-government organization.

793 Mr. Chairman, this has been reviewed by the Records Section all the  
794 requirements needed for accreditation of any cooperative, organization or association,  
795 has been submitted by this organization.

796 So, with this, Mr. Chairman, I move that we approve the request for accreditation  
797 of Cuta Farmers Multipurpose Cooperative (CFMPC) of Barangay Cuta, Barugo, Leyte.  
798 I so move, Mr. Chairman. Thank you, Mr. Floor Leader.

799 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

800 Second.

801 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

802 Second.

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

804 Second.

805 HON. MARIE KATHRYN V. KABIGTING: 3<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

806 Second.

807 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

808 There's a motion of the Honorable Apostol, seconded by the Honorable Loreto,  
809 Honorable Villasin, Honorable Caña and Honorable Kabigting.

810 Any objection?

811 Hearing none, so, the motion is carried and approved.

812 Approved unanimously.

RES. NO. 2023-471

813 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

814 We now proceed to Item No. 08, Madam Secretary please.

815 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

816 **ITEM NO. 08**

817 Presented for consideration is a letter dated August 30,  
818 2023 from **Allan L. Laniba, OFS, General Manager, LEYECO**  
819 **III, RE: Suspension of Passing-on the Franchise Tax of NGCP to**  
820 **the Electric Consumers.**

822 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

823 Mr. Chair, this has reference, the General Manager, LEYECO III, Allan L. Laniba,  
824 OFS, who is also the president of the association of electric cooperatives in the  
825 Philippines. So, they have been lobbying for the non-inclusion of franchise tax in our  
826 payment of electric bills. It appears that there have been resolutions from Congress  
827 excluding the passing on of franchise tax by NGCP to the electric cooperatives. He is  
828 also informing us that the 12% VAT and then the 12% VAT for distribution, 12% VAT for  
829 transmission, 12% VAT for generation and the 12% System Loss, are still pending.  
830 They're lobbying that it may not be passed on to consumers. That is still a resolution  
831 from the House. It is not yet a good law but it's still a very welcome development, Mr.  
832 Chair.

833 So, I move that we take note of the same. I so move.

834 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

835 Second.

836 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

837 Second.

838 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

839 Second.

840 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

841 So, Item No. 08, duly noted.

842 Any objection?

843 There's none, the motion is carried and approved.

844 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-472**

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846 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

847 We now proceed to Item No. 09, Madam Secretary please.

848 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

849 **ITEM NO. 09**

850 Presented for consideration is **General Fund**  
851 **Supplemental Budget No. 2 CY 2023** of **Palompon, Leyte**  
852 amounting to **Php30,523,999.52** under **Appropriation**  
853 **Ordinance No. 479-240723**. Same is recommended for  
854 **APPROVAL** with **CONDITIONS** by the Local Finance  
855 Committee per review letter dated September 27, 2023,  
856 together with **Supplemental Annual Investment Program No.**  
857 **2 CY 2023** of the same amount.  
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859 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

860 Mr. Chair, the Honorable Uy is present virtually but he called me. He is having  
861 technical difficulty regarding his internet access. So, as Vice-Chairman, I move that we  
862 approve Supplemental Budget No. 2 for Calendar Year 2023 of Palompon, Leyte, as  
863 well as the Supplemental Annual Investment Program No. 2 for Calendar Year 2023. I  
864 so move.

865 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

866 Second.

867 HON. FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

868 Second.

869 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

870 So, there's a motion of the Honorable Loreto, seconded by the Honorable  
871 Apostol and Honorable Centino.

872 Any comments?

873 There's none, the motion is carried and approved.

874 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-473**

875 Other matters?

876 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

877 Will you please recognize the Honorable Cana, Mr. Chair?



878 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER  
879 The Honorable Caña is recognized.  
880 I think the end is near.  
881 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER  
882 Mr. Chair, Honorable Floor Leader before the adjournment.  
883 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER  
884 The Honorable Reposar, Mr. Chair.  
885 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER  
886 Yes, the Honorable Reposar.  
887 HON. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR: 1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER  
888 If I may be allowed, so, to save time, I'd like to request the Secretariat that a  
889 communication be given to the Municipality of Carigara referring to Item Nos. 1 and 2,  
890 for the Certification from the Municipal Agriculture's Office. I think this is what is lacking.  
891 So, I may be able to dispose of Items 1 and 2 which were referred to the committee.  
892 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER  
893 Second.  
894 HON. RAISSA J. VILLASIN: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER  
895 Second.  
896 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER  
897 Okay.  
898 No more questions?  
899 There's none, so, approved.  
900 Approved unanimously. **RES. NO. 2023-474**  
901 HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER  
902 Mr. Chair, will you please recognize the Honorable Caña?  
903 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/ 5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER  
904 You have any objections?  
905 There's none, so, Honorable Cana you are recognized.  
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907 HON. NOLIE C. CAÑA: LIGA NG MGA BARANGAY PRESIDENT

908 Thank you, Honorable Chair, Honorable Floor Leader.

909 We have finished nine (9) Items today. For that, Mr. Chair, I move to adjourn.

910 HON. TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL: 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

911 Second.

912 HON. MICHAEL L. CARI: TEMP. PRESIDING OFFICER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER

913 No objections?

914 There's none, so, this session is now adjourned.

915 (The session is adjourned at 11:20 o'clock in the morning.

916 Closing prayer led by the Honorable Kabigting.)

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