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PROVINCE OF LEYTE  
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**SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN**

**MINUTES OF THE 62<sup>nd</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE, HELD AT THE SESSION HALL, LEYTE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, PALO, LEYTE ON 10 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. Vincent L. Rama             | 4 <sup>th</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. Trinidad G. Apostol        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> District Board Member |
| 2. Hon. Marie Kathryn V. Kabigting | 3 <sup>rd</sup> District Board Member |
| 3. Hon. Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> District Board Member |
| 4. Hon. Jo Vanille Chua-Merilo     | Ex-Officio Member, SK President       |

**ABSENT:**

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| 1. Hon. Leonardo M. Javier, Jr. | Vice-Governor<br>(OB, Manila)                       |
| 2. Hon. Wilson S. Uy            | 1 <sup>st</sup> District Board Member<br>(On Leave) |

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The 62<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session opened at 10:35 o'clock in the morning presided over by the Honorable Michael L. Cari, Temporary Presiding Officer, and Representative of the 5<sup>th</sup> District of Leyte.

Opening Prayer was led by the Honorable Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban, Representative of the 3<sup>rd</sup> District of Leyte and followed by the singing of the Philippine National Anthem.

52 A motion to dispense with the Panunumpa sa Watawat, the Leyte Hymn, the  
53 PBMLP Hymn and the PBMLP Creed of the agenda was presented by the Honorable  
54 Carlo P. Loreto, Floor Leader and Representative of the 5<sup>th</sup> District of Leyte, duly  
55 seconded by the Honorable Trinidad G. Apostol, Representative of the 2<sup>nd</sup> District of  
56 Leyte.

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

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

61 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

62 The following Members are in attendance:

63 **Physically Present:**

64 Hon. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar

65 Hon. Raissa J. Villasin

66 Hon. Vincent L. Rama

67 Hon. Flaviano C. Centino, Jr.

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

69 Hon. Carlo P. Loreto

70 Hon. Carmen L. Cari

71 Hon. Nolie C. Caña

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73 **Virtually Present:**

74 Hon. Trinidad G. Apostol

75 Hon. Marie Kathryn V. Kabisiting

76 Hon. Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban

77 Hon. Jo Vanille Chua-Merilo

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79 Twelve (12) Members are present, Mr. Chair, Mr. Floor.

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

81 We have a quorum, Floor Leader?

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

83 Mr. Chair, we now proceed to the consideration of the minutes of the previous

84 session of October 3, 2023.

85 Kindly recognize the Honorable Apostol, Mr. Chair, if she has any correction on  
86 the minutes of October 3, 2023.

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

88 Yes, the Honorable Ebbie Apostol, you are recognized.

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

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

91 This representation has no correction on the said minutes.

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

93 Is there any correction from the floor?

94 If there is none, Mr. Chair, I move that we adopt and approve the minutes of the  
95 previous session of October 3, 2023. I so move.

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

97 Second.

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

99 Second.

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

101 So, there is a move. Any objection?

102 Hearing none, the approval of the said minutes.

103 Motion is approved.

104 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-475**

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

106 Mr. Chair, we now proceed to the first reading and reference of business.

107 Madam Secretary please.

108 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

109 **IX. 1<sup>ST</sup> Reading and Reference of Business:**

110 **1. Proposed Provincial Ordinance No. 2023-**

111 **“Use of Provincial Roads within the Territorial Jurisdiction**

112 **Of the Province of Leyte, Prescribing Penalties, Fees for Violation**

113 **thereof.”**

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SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

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

PHYSICALLY PRESENT:

VIRTUALLY PRESENT:

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

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ON THIRD AND FINAL READING, PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2023-\_\_\_\_, ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF PROVINCIAL ROADS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES".

WHEREAS, data from the Provincial Engineering Office provides that there are Five Hundred Ninety-Four (594) kilometers, more or less, that are classified as Provincial Roads within the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Leyte;

WHEREAS, of those classified as provincial roads, eighty-five percent (85%) are already paved, and the rest are still classified as gravel roads;

WHEREAS, the technical design insofar as the thickness is concerned of existing paved provincial roads is either six (6) inches or eight (8) inches only;

WHEREAS, with a such technical design of said provincial roads, thus, can cater only to light vehicles or equipment.

WHEREAS, it has been observed that the unimpeded ingress and egress of heavy equipment or vehicles specifically those that are loaded with quarry or sand and gravel resources along this provincial road network whether paved or unpaved, undeniably, had caused material damage and had, in fact, caused damaged thereof, including but not limited to, cracks, creating potholes or shortening the useful life of the concrete roads, thus, posing inconvenience and imminent danger and safety of motorists and pedestrians;





189 3. Vehicles and/or equipment used for humanitarian, emergency, peace  
190 and order, disaster, and health operations, and analogous activities, if  
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193 4. Such other vehicles and/or equipment as may be exempted or  
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195 representative.  
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197 Provided, however, and subject to the gross vehicle weight provided for under  
198 Section 1 hereof, the owners of private vehicles/equipment and/or vehicles/equipment  
199 used by private contractors doing government construction projects, or other  
200 governmental activities along or near or within the vicinity of a provincial road, if any,  
201 may be allowed to enter, traverse or exit the said provincial roads, upon posting of an  
202 appropriate bond in cash or surety to answer for whatever damage that be caused to  
203 the provincial roads as a result of the use thereof in an amount to be determined by the  
204 Provincial Engineering Office payable to the order of the Provincial Treasurer's Office  
205 and issuance of permit to use by the Governor or his duly authorized representative.

206 **Section 3. DEPUTIZATION OF MUNICIPAL AND BARANGAY TREASURERS –**  
207 Subject to bonding requirements, the respective Municipal and Barangay Treasurer of  
208 each component city, municipalities, and barangays of the Province of Leyte are  
209 hereby deputized and authorized to issue citation tickets for violations of this ordinance  
210 committed within its jurisdiction.

211 The deputized collectors shall be entitled to collect an honorarium in the amount  
212 equivalent to ten percent (10%) of the total amount paid to the Provincial Treasurer's  
213 Office on a weekly basis as a result of their performance as deputized officers.

214 **Section 4. PENALTY –** Any person who is found to have violated this Ordinance  
215 shall be meted with the civil penalty of Five Thousand (5,000) Pesos per meter traversed  
216 beginning from the point of entry to exit basis and without prejudice to the filing of a  
217 civil and/or criminal action appropriate under the circumstances for violation hereof.

218 **Section 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE –** If for any reason or reasons, any part of this  
219 Ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof  
220 which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

221 **Section 5. REPEALING CLAUSE –** All other Ordinances, orders, issuances, and rules.  
222 and regulations inconsistent with this Order are hereby modified and/or repealed  
223 accordingly.

224 **Section 6. EFFECTIVITY –** This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
225 publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

226 **Approved unanimously.**

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231 I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

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**FLORINDA JILL S. UYVIVO**

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Secretary to the Sanggunian

235 **ATTESTED:**

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237 **RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR**

1<sup>st</sup> District Board Member

**WILSON S. UY**

1<sup>st</sup> District Board Member

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241 **TRINIDAD G. APOSTOL**

2<sup>nd</sup> District Board Member

**RAISSA J. VILLASIN**

2<sup>nd</sup> District Board Member

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245 **MARIE KATHRYN VELOSO-KABIGTING**

3<sup>rd</sup> District Board Member

**MA. CORAZON E. REMANDABAN**

3<sup>rd</sup> District Board Member

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249 **FLAVIANO C. CENTINO, JR.**

4<sup>th</sup> District Board Member

**VINCENT L. RAMA**

4<sup>th</sup> District Board Member

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253 **MICHAEL L. CARI**

5<sup>th</sup> District Board Member

**CARLO P. LORETO**

5<sup>th</sup> District Board Member

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257 **NOLIE C. CAÑA**

Liga ng mga Brgy. President

Ex-Officio Member

**CARMEN L. CARI**

PCL President

Ex-Officio Member

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**JO VANILLE CHUA - MERILO**

SK Federation President

Ex-Officio Member

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**LEONARDO M. JAVIER, JR.**

Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

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**CARLOS JERICHO L. PETILLA**

Governor

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

286 Mr. Chair, as a background, this is a revised proposed ordinance. The original  
287 was submitted to us crafted by the Provincial Legal Office and then we referred it to the  
288 Committee on Environment because we saw that there were lack of connection  
289 between the "lawful subject and the lawful means". Now, this proposed ordinance as  
290 revised, has a "vinculum juris" between the "lawful subject and the lawful means."  
291 The lawful subject being the preservation of Provincial Roads and lawful means is to  
292 provide penalties for violation. This was emailed to me by Atty. Acol, the Assistant  
293 Provincial Legal Officer.

294 On that note, Mr. Chair, I move that we approve this on First Reading and refer  
295 this to the Committee on Environment and the Committee on Rules. I so move.

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

297 Mr. Chairman.

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

299 Yes, the Honorable Ebbie Apostol.

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

301 My observation of this proposed provincial ordinance, Mr. Chairman. According  
302 to the Provincial Ordinance, there are 594 kms. of Provincial Roads classified by the  
303 Provincial Engineering Office and Eighty-Five (85%) percent are already paved and the  
304 rest are still classified as gravel roads.

305 This representation would like to know if these 594 kms. of roads are still paved,  
306 because in my first term as Congresswoman, we have already converted several  
307 Provincial Roads to National Roads. So, I would like to know if this is a correct figure the  
308 594 kms., what is being proposed by this ordinance. Thank you, Mr. Chairman, thank  
309 you, Mr. Floor Leader.

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

311 Mr. Chair, I do not have an updated communication or data as to the length of  
312 the Provincial Roads that still remain as Provincial Roads. Nonetheless, we can pass a



313 resolution asking the Provincial Engineer or summon the Provincial Engineer for that  
314 purpose, Mr. Chair.

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

316       Anyway, this is only for first reading.

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

318       Yes. At any rate, Mr. Chair, the gravity of the offense in this Provincial Ordinance  
319 is that, once it is an existing Provincial Roads and then you go there with a truck with a  
320 gross vehicle weight of more than 17,000 kilogram then you are in violation of this  
321 ordinance. It if is no longer a provincial road then it is not a violation of this ordinance,  
322 Mr. Chair. So, it is a matter of proof in court, Mr. Chair.

323       At any rate, we can pass a resolution after approving this ordinance on first  
324 reading, we can pass a resolution requesting the Provincial Engineering Office.

325       The Honorable Reposar, Mr. Chair.

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

327       The Honorable Reposar, you are recognized.

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

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

330 This is just a query with reference to the title of the ordinance. The confusion actually  
331 emanates from the attached resolution wherein the title is "An Ordinance, Regulating  
332 the Use of Provincial Roads within the Territorial Jurisdiction of the Province of Leyte  
333 and for other purposes." While on the Body of the ordinance, Section 1 particularly, the  
334 title is "Use of Provincial Roads within the Territorial Jurisdiction of the Province of Leyte  
335 prescribing penalties, fees for violation thereof." So, may we know from our movant,  
336 which title we will approve since the 2 differs in some words? Actually I have a  
337 suggestion, "An Ordinance Regulating the Use of Provincial Roads within the Territorial  
338 Jurisdiction of the Province of Leyte, Prescribing Fees and Imposing Penalties for  
339 Violation thereof."

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

343 I amend my motion, Mr. Chair. The observation of the Honorable Reposar is very  
344 masterfully crafted, the amended title. Further, perhaps, instead of just Provincial Road  
345 we can include Municipal and Barangay Roads because it is the Province who is  
346 maintaining and spending for the concreting and maintenance of Municipal and  
347 Barangay Roads as well. So perhaps, the title would be as follows:

348 "An Ordinance Regulating the Use of Provincial Roads, Municipal Roads and  
349 Barangay Roads within the Territorial Jurisdiction of the Province of Leyte, Prescribing  
350 Penalties, Fees, for Violation thereof and for other purposes."

351 HON. CARMEN L. CARI: PCL PRESIDENT

352 Mr. Chair.

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

354 Yes, the Honorable Board Member Carmen Cari?

355 HON. CARMEN L. CARI: PCL PRESIDENT

356 Mr. Chair, may I also know whether the 594 kilometers more or less includes the  
357 old Provincial Roads which they call the Spanish Roads?

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

359 In several instances where there are application for titling or possessions of old  
360 Spanish Roads, the Provincial Engineering Office has consistently made a certification  
361 to the effect that it is not part of the Provincial Road system. The Provincial Engineering  
362 has been consistent.

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

364 Yes, the Honorable Vincent Rama.

365 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

366 As the movant was stating, this is a revised ordinance. The question of this  
367 representation is, since penalties are prescribed and there are fees, does this have to  
368 go through another public hearing? Or is this a revised ordinance?

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

372 Yes, the Local Government Code provides that fees should not be confiscatory,  
373 excessive, abusive, etc. And to comply with the requirements there should be a public  
374 hearing, give the public the opportunity to contest the amount. So, after this approval on  
375 first reading, the committee will call for a public hearing for the purpose.

376 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

377 Okay, thank you.

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

379 I second the amended motion of the Honorable Floor Leader, Mr. Chair.

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

381 I thank the Honorable Reposar.

382 The Honorable Apostol, Mr. Chair?

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

384 Honorable Apostol, you are recognized.

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

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

387 I am with the previous manifestation of the Honorable Board Member Loreto that  
388 we inquire from the Provincial Engineering Office the updated data, the number of  
389 kilometers that is mentioned in this proposed ordinance so that we will have the exact  
390 number of kilometers. Because even before when I was an incumbent Congresswoman,  
391 I was able to convert several Provincial Roads to National Roads. That is my  
392 observation. Thank you.

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

394 Thank you, very much. So, anyway, this is just for first reading, you can reserve  
395 all your questions on the second reading.

396 So approved on first reading.

397 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-476**

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

401 We have no committee report, Mr. Chair. We now proceed to the Business of the  
402 Day. Item No. 1, Madam Secretary please.

403 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

404 **BUSINESS OF THE DAY**

405 **ITEM NO. 01**

406 Presented for consideration is **Municipal**  
407 **Ordinance No. 04 Series of 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte** entitled:  
408 **"REVENUE CODE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MACARTHUR,**  
409 **LEYTE"** Same is recommended for the declaration of its  
410 **VALIDITY** by the Provincial Legal Office per 2<sup>nd</sup> indorsement  
411 dated September 29, 2023.

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**ITEM NO. 02**

415 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**  
416 **No. 05 SERIES OF 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte** entitled: **"AN**  
417 **ORDINANCE ENACTING THE REVISED FIRE PREVENTION CODE**  
418 **OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MACARTHUR, LEYTE PRESCRIBING**  
419 **RULES AND REGULATIONS COVERING CONDITIONS**  
420 **HAZARDOUS TO LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM FIRE OR**  
421 **EXPLOSIVES PROVIDING FOR SERVICE FEES PENALTIES AND**  
422 **FOR OTHER PURPOSES."**Same is recommended for the  
423 declaration of its **VALIDITY** by the Provincial Legal Office per  
424 2<sup>nd</sup> indorsement dated September 29, 2023.

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**ITEM NO. 03**

427 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**  
428 **No. 14 SERIES OF 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte** entitled: **"AN**  
429 **ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING BICYCLE LANES DESIGNATING**  
430 **ROADS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MACARTHUR, LEYTE AND**  
431 **PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF."**Same is recommended for the  
432 declaration of its **VALIDITY** by the Provincial Legal Office per  
433 2<sup>nd</sup> indorsement dated September 29, 2023.

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**ITEM NO. 04**

436 Presented for consideration is **Municipal Ordinance**  
437 **No. 17 SERIES OF 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte** entitled: **"AN**  
438 **ORDINANCE CREATING THE MUNICIPAL TOURISM OFFICE OF**  
439 **MACARTHUR, LEYTE AND ONE (1) PLANTILLA POSITION**  
440 **THEREOF."**Same is recommended for the declaration of its  
441 **VALIDITY** with **CONDITION** by the Provincial Legal Office per  
442 2<sup>nd</sup> indorsement dated September 29, 2023.

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

446 Mr. Chair, considering that there are several ordinances from MacArthur, could  
447 you please recognize the Hon. Villasin perhaps for an omnibus resolution for Items 01,  
448 02, 03 and 04.

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

450 Hon. Villasin, you are recognized.

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

452 Thank you, Mr. Chair, thank you, Mr. Floor Leader.

453 There are 4 Items coming from the Municipality of MacArthur Leyte.

454 Item No. 1 is Municipal Ordinance No. 04 series of 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte  
455 entitled: "Revenue Code of the Municipality of MacArthur, Leyte."

456 Item No. 2 is Municipal Ordinance No.05 series of 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte  
457 entitled: "An Ordinance Enacting the Revised Fire Prevention Code of the Municipality  
458 of MacArthur, Leyte, Prescribing Rules and Regulations covering the conditions  
459 hazardous to life and property from fire or explosives providing for service fees penalties  
460 and for other purposes"

461 Item No. 3 Municipal Ordinance No.14 Series of 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte  
462 entitled: "An Ordinance Establishing Bicycle Lanes Designating Roads in the  
463 Municipality of MacArthur, Leyte and Providing Funds thereof."

464 Item No. 04 Municipal Ordinance No.17 Series of 2023 of MacArthur, Leyte  
465 entitled: "An Ordinance Creating the Municipal Tourism Office of MacArthur, Leyte and  
466 One (1) Plantilla Position Thereof."

467 For Item Nos.1 and 2, both are Revenue Ordinances. I move to declare these  
468 items valid subject to submission of the certificates of publication. They have a  
469 certificate of posting and a public hearing was conducted however there are no  
470 certifications of publication.

471 So Item Nos. 1 and 2, with Municipal Ordinance No. 4 and Municipal Ordinance  
472 No.5 of MacArthur

473 Leyte be declared valid subject to the submission of certificates of publication in  
474 compliance to Section 188 and 511 of the Code.

475 For item Nos. 3 and 4, are General Ordinances. I move to declare valid the  
476 Ordinance No. 14 series of 2023 of MacArthur Leyte. I also move to declare valid the  
477 Ordinance No. 17 of MacArthur, Leyte subject to the conditions set forth by the  
478 Provincial Legal Office under Section 16 of the Code and in accordance to Section 447  
479 (5) thereof. I so move.

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

481 Second.

482 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

483 Second.

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

485 There's a move by Honorable Raissa Villasin approving Item Nos. 01, 02, 03, 04  
486 duly seconded by Hon. Loreto and Hon. Rama.

487 Discussion?

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

489 Mr. Chairman.

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

491 Yes, Honorable Ebbie Apostol.

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

493 For Item No. 4 on the creation of new Plantilla position, it is authorized pursuant  
494 to its power under Section 56 (c) of RA 7160, the same being to the opinion of the  
495 Provincial Legal Office, an exercise to the power authorized under Section 447 (1) of  
496 the Code. Provided, that the creation of the New Plantilla Position, does not violate the  
497 prohibition under Section 325 (a) and (g) thereof. Thank you, Mr. Chairman, thank you,  
498 Mr. Floor Leader.

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

500 Thank you for that observation, Hon. Apostol.

501 Any discussion, any objection, any manifestation or clarification?

502 Hearing none, the motion is approved.

503 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-477**

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

505 Item No. 05,

506 Madam Secretary please.

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

508 **ITEM NO. 05**

509 Presented for consideration is a letter dated  
510 October 2, 2023 from **Provincial Governor Carlos Jericho**  
511 **L.Petilla** submitting the proposed **Executive Annual Budget FY**  
512 **2024** of the Provincial Government of Leyte involving a total  
513 appropriations amounting to **Php3,424,000,000.00**.  
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515 **HON. CARLO P. LORETO: FLOOR LEADER/5<sup>TH</sup> DIST. BOARD MEMBER**

516 Mr. Chair, the Honorable Uy, Chairman of the Committee on Budget and  
517 Management, is on leave. On that note, Mr. Chair, I move that we approve the proposed  
518 Executive Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2024 in the amount of Php3,424,000,000.00. I  
519 so move.

520 **HON. MICHAEL V. RAMA: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER**

521 Second.

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

523 Second.

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

525 Second.

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

527 Second.

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

529 So, there's a motion of the Honorable Loreto, approving the proposed Executive  
530 Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2024 in the amount of Php3,424,000,000.00.

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

532 Mr. Chairman.

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

535 The Honorable Apostol, Mr. Chair.

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

537 Yes, the Honorable Apostol.

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

539 Thank you so much.

540 This is to my observation. We do not have any attachment for this proposed  
541 Executive Annual Budget of the Province of Leyte. Can we have copy of this please?

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

543 Mr. Chair, we have an attachment. It is attached for every office. In fact, when I  
544 checked it last night, Mr. Chair, the budget of the Sanggunian Panlalawigan increased  
545 by three million more or less.

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

547 Three million only?

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

549 Oo, three million only. But the items based on what we met about the request.  
550 Some budgets were realigned for the purpose. So, guin utro. For budget, etc.

551 So, an iba nga mga items ha aton previous budget nga waray na gamit like, ano  
552 ba adto., mga communication, local, etc., guin balhin. So, an increase three million only.

553 So, we saw the smile of the Honorable Apostol. So, she is grinning. She is miling.  
554 The smile is conspicuous because of her very red lips.

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

556 No. I just want smile to have a copy of all the attachments. Because we are not  
557 approving of something that we do not even see it. That's my observation. I have no  
558 objection.

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

560 We thank the Honorable Apostol.

561 Padad an na la iya office 'no han iya copy. Pati an iba liwat. Hi kami an physical  
562 ba kay soft copy man la adto.



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

564 So, anymore queries?

565 Questions?

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

567 Mr. Chairman, Mr. Floor Leader.

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

569 Yes, the Honorable Apostol.

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

571 I think we have copies of these. How about other offices?

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

573 Ma furnish all offices, an hard copy, an libro ba. E print na la.

574 Anyway, may we request for a ruling, Mr. Chair?

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

576 There's a motion, duly seconded.

577 The motion is carried and approved.

578 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-478**

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

580 We now proceed to Item No. 06, Madam Secretary.

581 MRS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO: SP SECRETARY

582 **ITEM NO. 06**

583 Presented for consideration is a copy of a **Complaint**  
584 **Affidavit** of Rolando D. Anzale against Homobono U.  
585 Bardillon relative to the **Administrative Complaint** filed by Mr.  
586 Anzale against Dagami Vice-Mayor Bardillon per  
587 endorsement letter of Hon. Reposar dated October 5, 2023.

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

590 The Honorable Reposar, Mr. Chair.

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

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

593 This is actually, a case referred to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan by the  
594 Ombudsman. However, perusing the complaint, their attachments, it was found out by  
595 the Secretariat that the same is lacking in form. Having lacking copies as required under  
596 Rule 15, Section 8 of our procedure. Hence, we requested the complainant to comply  
597 with the said Section. And, now, having complied with the requirements under Section  
598 8, the said complaint is now considered as filed. Hence, I move that a resolution be  
599 issued requiring the Honorable Vice-Mayor Homobono U. Bardillon of Dagami, Leyte, to  
600 file his verified answer to the complaint, pursuant again, to the requirements under our  
601 procedures. I so move.

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

603 Second.

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

605 Second.

606 **HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER**

607 Second.

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

609 Duly seconded, so, approved.

610 The motion is carried and approved.

611 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-479**

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

613 There are no more items in our agenda.

614 Other matters?

615 Yes, the Honorable Rama, Mr. Chair.

616 **HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER**

617 Mr. Chairman, this representation would like to request all present to sing a  
618 birthday song for our beloved Majority Floor Leader, having celebrated it last week,  
619 including the staff, if is okay with the Honorable Apostol also.

620 (Singing a birthday song for Honorable Loreto.)

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

623 Thank you.

624 Actually, my birthday was October 6. But anyway, we can still celebrate today.

625 The traditional lechon 'no.

626 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

627 Also, Mr. Presiding Officer, we would like to greet the former Governor Mic  
628 Petilla, a belated happy birthday. It's the same day as Majority Floor Leader.

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

630 Also, former Governor Dominic Petilla. You would like to make a resolution?

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

632 So, thank you ha, boss. Thank you. It's always... sometimes we overlook the fact  
633 that the best gift is actually waking up in the morning and feeling even more alive.

634 Mr. Chair, may I raise a point of privilege?

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

636 Yes, the Honorable Loreto.

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

638 Perhaps, the last time the whole country, the Filipinos everywhere in the world,  
639 came together cheering in unison, when Manny Pacquiao was fighting for gold in  
640 different categories in boxing, 'no. As of recently, the Gilas Team rallied Filipinos all  
641 over the planet to cheer our country. And I think, it is appropriate if we pass a resolution  
642 Congratulating the Gilas Team, the Coach, for bringing honor and prestige to our  
643 country.

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

645 So, mass motion.

646 The motion is carried and approved.

647 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-480**

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

649 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

650 Naapa 'toy nag gold 'di ba?

651 The Secretariat will please, subject to style, prepare the resolutions in series for  
652 the other athlete winners.

653 On motion of the Honorable Carlo P. Loreto, duly seconded by all the Members  
654 present, a resolution Congratulating Ernest John "EJ" Uy Obiena, Asian Games Gold  
655 Medalist, Filipino Olympian Pole Vaulter.

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

657 Any objection?

658 Hearing none, motion is approved.

659 Approved unanimously.

**RES. NO. 2023-481**

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

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

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

663 The Honorable Cana, you are very recognized.

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

665 Thank you, Mr. Chair, Mr. Floor.

666 But before I proceed for the adjournment, if the Honorable Chair, may I would like  
667 to say something.

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

669 Yes, of course.

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

671 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

672 Because of the task given to me by the Floor Leader, nagamitan ko ini nga  
673 microphone every session. But I noticed nga if we talk and holding the microphone we  
674 are not comfortable. Unlike when we were in the Sangguniang Panlalawigan building  
675 we used that "pindot-pindot." We are not holding the microphone anymore. Seguro we  
676 request the purchase of that high tech microphone. Modesty aside, in our barangay, we  
677 use that conference microphone. We only have two million budgets for the year. Here,  
678 we have 3.4 billion but we use these obsolete microphones. Wireless. But it is  
679 comfortable ma pindot la kita.

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

681 Mr. Chair, the SP Secretary approached me and whispered that this is procured  
682 na. Na bidding na. Na published na pero waray pa ma deliver, 'no. charged to the  
683 Governor's Office.

684 An daan nga Session Hall okay pa, ano. Functioning pa adto. Na reporma an  
685 Session Hall and then an mga tables na la wala pa tindog. Ambot kay ano. E re repair  
686 seguro ano. I requested the contractor to repair the tables so that it will be as before.  
687 So, we can hold session there if you want, with the automatic sound system. Or we can  
688 wait for the one to be put it here 'no.

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

690 Thank you for that observation, Honorable Caña.

691 HON. NOLIE C. CANA: LIGA NG MGA BARANGAY PRESIDENT

692 You're welcome.

693 So, for that, Mr. Chair, I move to adjourn.

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

695 I second the motion to adjourn.

696 HON. VINCENT L. RAMA: 4<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER

697 I second the motion.

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

699 So, there's a motion to adjourn this Body.

700 Approved.

701 The session is now adjourned.

702 (The regular session adjourned at 11:12 o'clock in the morning.

703 Closing prayer led by the Honorable Centino.)

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**62<sup>ND</sup> Regular Session  
October 10, 2023**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing minutes.**

**FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO  
Secretary to the Sanggunian**

**APPROVED:**

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1<sup>ST</sup> District Board Member  
(On Leave)**

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