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Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF LEYTE
Palo, Leyte

### **PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE**

2<sup>nd</sup> INDORSEMENT December 27, 2023



Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 2023-06 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Sta. Fe, Leyte, recommending for the declaration of its validity, pursuant to its power under Section 56 (C) of R.A. 7160, to the opinion of the Provincial Legal Office (PLO), a valid exercise of authority under R.A. 10176.

ATTY JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL
Asst. Provincial Lega Officer

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10176 AN ACT REVIVING THE OBSERVANCE OF ARBOR DAY BY AUTHORIZING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS THE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CELEBRATING THE DAY FOR TREE PLANTING AS AN ANNUAL EVENT

# Republic of the Philippines PROVINCE OF LEYTE Palo, Leyte OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

Received: 12-21-23

1<sup>ST</sup> INDORSEMENT 20 December 2023

The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2023-06 of the MUNICIPALITY of STA. FE, LEYTE, entitled: An Ordinance Declaring Every First Monday Of The Month Of July As "Arbor Day", Enjoying Its Celebration As An Annual Event Of Tree Planting, Appropriating Funds Therefor And For Other Purposes.

FLORINDA JILL SUYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



### SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SECRETARY

### **INDORSEMENT**



RESPECTFULLY FORWARDED to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Leyte, Tacloban City, the herein attachment Municipal Ordinance No. 2023 – 06 (Series of 2023) of the Sangguniang Bayan, this Municipality entitled "An Ordinance Declaring Every First Monday of the Month of July as "Arbor Day" enjoining its Celebration as an Annual Event of Tree Planting, appropriations funds therefor and for other purposes", duly approved by said August Body on May 29, 2023, hereby recommending your appropriate favourable action.

JULIUS XERXES M. OBENQUE Sangguniang Bayan Secretary Designate

### Copy Furnished:

- The Municipal Mayor
- The Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction Management
- The PNP Station Commander
- All in Sta. Fe, Leyte



### SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SECRETARY

### CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that copies of Municipal Ordinance of the herein attached "Municipal Ordinance No. 2023 – 06 (Series of 2023) of the Sangguniang Bayan, this Municipality, entitled "An Ordinance Declaring Every First Monday of the Month of July as "Arbor Day" enjoining its Celebration as an Annual Event of Tree Planting, appropriations funds therefor and for other purposes", duly approved and/or enacted by said August Body on May 29, 2023, has been posted in at least three (3) conspicuous places in the municipality. One copy was posted at the bulletin board at the lobby of the municipal hall, one at the HRMO and one at the Municipal Gymnasium.

ISSUED this 31st day of May 2023 at Santa Fe, Leyte.

JULIUS XERXES M. OBENQUE Sangguniang Bayan Secretary Designate



### SANGGUNIANG BAYAN



THE 40th REGULAR SESSION OF THE 12TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF SANTA FE, LEYTE, HELD AT THE SB SESSION HALL, SANTA FE, LEYTE ON MAY 29, 2023.

### MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - 06 Series of 2023

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING EVERY FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH OF JULY AS "ARBOR DAY", ENJOINING ITS CELEBRATION AS AN ANNUAL EVENT OF TREE PLANTING, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SPONSOR: HON. AMIEL P. ENAGE

### **CO-SPONSORS:**

HON. RODEL L. AJETO

HON. RICARDO D. FAJARDO

HON. ALVIN D. PETILLA

HON. LARRY S. ARUTA

HON. GENY R. ESMERO

HON. BELEN C. CHUCA

HON, AGNES A. CHUCA

HON. MAE JO A. LANTAJO

HON. EDGARDO R. SALCEDA

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the state to protect and advance the right of the people to a balance and healthful ecology in accord the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, there is a need for a collaborated effort between the state and its citizenry to combat the loss of natural resources and rejuvenate the environment by undertaking nationwide tree planting activities and providing effective measures for their maintenance and sustainability;

WHEREAS, R.A. 10176 or "The Labor Day Act of 2012" mandates the revival of the observance of Arbor Day by authorizing Local Government Units the responsibilities for celebrating the day for tree planting as an annual event;

WHEREAS, the same Act requires all provinces, cities and municipalities with their component barangays to revive, by appropriate proclamation of their respective local chief executive, through an Ordinance enacted by their respective Sangguniang bayan an Arbor Day at an appropriate fixed date every calendar year as shall be deemed suitable according to the proper time and season for planting trees in the respective provinces, municipalities or cities concerned;

NOW THEREFORE, be it ENACTED by the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Santa Fe in session assembled that;

Section 1. Short Title: This Ordinance shall be known as the "Arbor Day Ordinance of the Municipality of Santa Fe Leyte"

Section 2. Definition of Arbor Day- it refers to one day activity of tree planting and other relevant form of activity held annually at a date fixed in this ordinance;

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**Section 3.** Every first Monday of July is hereby declared an Arbor Day in the entire Municipality of Santa Fe;

**Section 4. Arbor Day Celebration Committee-** there is hereby created an Arbor Day Celebration Committee which shall be in charge of the activity composed of the following:

Chairperson Vice-Chairperson Members

- the Municipal Mayor
- SB Chairperson, Committee on Environment
- Head of the following offices;
  - a. DepEd
  - b. Municipal Agriculture's Office
  - c. Liga ng mga Barangay
  - d. Municipal Tourism Council
  - e. Municipal ENRO
  - f. Municipal Local Government Operation Office
  - g. Philippine National Police (PNP)
  - h. Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP)
  - i. Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP)

**Section 5.** Every first Monday of July is hereby declared a regular working holiday in the Municipality to ensure the participation of all concerned sectors;

Section 6. Planting of Trees- all able-bodied citizens of the municipality of Santa Fe who are at least twelve (12) years of age, shall be required to plant one (1) tree every year.

**Section 7**. **Areas Covered by Tree Planting**- The Arbor Day Celebration Committee shall specify the area within the LGU to be planted or reforested. If the area to be planted or reforested is a protected area or a protection forest, the Committee shall encourage the use of endemic or indigenous species during the observance of the Arbor Day designated by the LGU.

The tree planting activities shall be done in the following areas:

- (a) public school grounds, gardens or other available areas within the school premises;
- (b) Idle or vacant public lands:
- (c) Public parks in urban and rural areas; and
- (d) Private schools, parks and lands with the consent of the owner thereof

Section 8. Maintenance of Trees- the Barangay Officials and deputized non-governmental organizations shall be responsible for the maintenance of such trees

**Section 9. Source of Fund**- For every year's celebration of Arbor Day, the LGU shall allocate funds by way of appropriating the budget through annual general fund to be used for the celebrations.

Section 10. Establishment of Nursery- this is however to ensure the supply of seedlings and other needs of the LGU, the Municipal ENRO is hereby mandated to create and establish a Seedling Nursery, and thereof assign and detail a municipal-paid worker/s for maintenance.

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For such purpose, the Municipal ENRO, with the Municipal Agriculture's Office shall determine the species of tree /seedlings needed for tree planting and scout, locate and which and what land /lot /place is suited for tree planting

**Section 11. Implementing Rules and Regulations**- to strictly implement the provisions under this Ordinance, the Local Chief Executive (LCE) shall formulate and /or adopt Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) for this purpose upon the recommendation of the Arbor Day Celebration Committee.

**Section 12. Separability Clause**. If any portion of this Ordinance is declared unlawful or unconstitutional, other person not affected by such declaration shall remain in full force and effect;

**Section 13**. **Effectivity**. This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days or upon its approval. The full text of this Ordinance shall likewise be posted in at least three (3) conspicuous places in compliance with the posting requirement mandated by the Local Government Code.

ENACTED: This 29th day of May 2023 during the 40th Regular Session of the 12th Sangguniang Bayan at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall, Santa Fe, Leyte.

Let copies of this Ordinance be furnished to the Office of the Municipal Mayor Hon. Amparo H. Monteza, to the Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office of this LGU, and to all others concerned for their guidance and appropriate action.

This ordinance is approved unanimously.

ATTESTED/APPROVED:

HON AMIEL P. ENAGE

SB Member

HON. RODEL L. AJETO

SB Member

HON. ALVIN D. PETILLA

SB Member

HON. GENY R. ESMERO

SB Member

(absent)

HON. EDGARDO R. SALCEDA

SB Member

HON, RICARDO

). FAJARI

SB Member

HON. LARRY S. ARUTA

SB Member

HON BELENC. CHUCA

Liga Pres. S. Member



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HON. AGNES A. CHUCA

SB Member

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SK Federation President / SB Member

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

JULIUS XERXES M. OBENQUE Secretary to the Sanggun ang Bayan Designate

ATTESTED BY:

Municipal Vice-Mayor **Presiding Officer** 

**APPROVED BY:** 

HON. AMPARO H. MONTEZA

Local Chief Executive/Municipal Mayor

Date of Approval: