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2<sup>nd</sup> INDORSEMENT  
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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 02 series of 2024 of the Sangguniang Bayan of La Paz, 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), an exercise of the power authorized under Section 16<sup>i</sup> of the Code in relation to R.A. 9482<sup>ii</sup>.

Furthermore, the opinions rendered herein are without prejudice to opinions rendered by higher authorities.

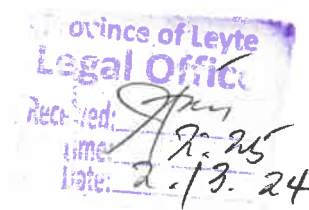
  
**ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL**  
Asst. Provincial Legal Officer

<sup>i</sup> Section 16. *General Welfare.* - Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology, encourage and support the development of appropriate and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, improve public morals, enhance economic prosperity and social justice, promote full employment among their residents, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants.

<sup>ii</sup> AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONTROL AND ELIMINATION OF HUMAN AND ANIMAL RABIES, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN**



1<sup>ST</sup> INDORSEMENT  
13 February 2024

The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 02**, series of 2024 of the Municipality of **LA PAZ, LEYTE**, entitled: **An Ordinance Establishing An Animal Bite Treatment Center Under The Municipal Health Office Of The Municipality Of La Paz, Province Of Leyte And Providing Funds Therefor.**

  
**FLORINDA JILI SUYVICO**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian



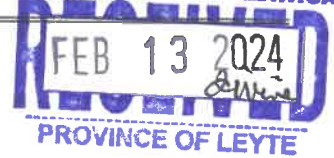
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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 02  
 Series of 2024



**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ANIMAL BITE TREATMENT CENTER UNDER THE MUNICIPAL HEALTH OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ, PROVINCE OF LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR**

*Sponsored by: Honorable ARACELI P. GO – Chairman, Committee on Health and Sanitation*  
*Co-Sponsors: Honorable Relly F. Relano – Vice Chairman, Committee on Health and Sanitation*  
*Honorable Pio S. Baroña – Member, Committee on Health and Sanitation*  
*Honorable Marlou T. Marticio – Member, Committee on Health and Sanitation*  
*Honorable Fionah Kimberlyn B. Acompañado, Member – Committee on Health and Sanitation*

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Rabies is a human infection that occurs after a transdermal bite or scratch by an infected animal, like dogs and cats. It is transmitted when an infectious material, usually saliva, comes into direct contact with a victim's lesions.

Rabies is considered a neglected disease of poor and vulnerable populations and remains to be a public problem which is fatal, though preventable through vaccination.

The 1987 Philippine Constitution specifically provides that “the State shall protect the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them.”

Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code mandates that local government units shall ensure and support the promotion of health and safety of its people.

Section 7 of Republic Act No. 9482 states that LGUs shall enact ordinances that will support the National Rabies and Control Program and allocate funds for implementation.

Rule 6-B of BAI Joint DA, DOH, DepEd and DILG Administrative Order No. 01, Series of 2008 which provides for the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 9482 mandates local government units to establish their respective Animal Bite Treatment Centers to help in the prevention and eventual eradication of rabies in the country.

Aimed at reducing the public's risk and deaths caused by rabies, and discourage the traditional practice of treating animal bites, thus, the passage of this Ordinance.

Be it ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of La Paz, Leyte in session duly assembled:

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as “**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ANIMAL BITE TREATMENT CENTER UNDER THE MUNICIPAL HEALTH OFFICE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ, PROVINCE OF LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR**”

**SECTION 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS.** As used in this Ordinance, the following shall mean:

- a. Animal bite – defined as having one’s skin pierced or abraded by animal’s teeth or claws or by any saliva on tissue coming in contact, with abraded skin, eyes or mucus membrane.
- b. Vaccination – the administration of proper anti-rabies vaccine to humans bitten by animals.
- c. Trained health personnel – any person who has undergone training in rabies vaccination.

**SECTION 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ANIMAL BITE TREATMENT CENTER.** The Animal Bite Treatment Center in the Municipality of La Paz, Leyte is hereby established and shall be under the control, supervision and maintenance of the Municipal Health Office.

**SECTION 4. FUNCTIONS OF THE CENTER.** The Animal Bite Treatment Center shall have the following functions:

- a. Develop plans and programs geared towards the successful implementation of the National Rabies Prevention and Control Program in the Municipality of La Paz, Leyte.
- b. Treat all animals bit-related patients by trained health personnel.
- c. Maintain sufficient anti-rabies vaccine shots to treat patients bitten by rabid animals.
- d. Strengthen public awareness through information, education and communication campaign against rabies.
- e. Report all cases of animal bites and coordinate with the Municipal Agriculture Office to intensify the promotion of dog vaccination as well as the control of stray animals.
- f. Perform such other functions and duties as may be assigned to it by law, ordinance or through the directive of the Municipal Mayor.

**SECTION 5. LOCATION.** The Animal Bite Treatment Center shall be located at the Rural Health Unit (RHU), La Paz, Leyte.

**SECTION 6. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE.** The Animal Bite Treatment Center shall operate under the Municipal Health Office and be directly supervised and managed by the Municipal Health Officer, who shall lead, recommend and assist in the implementation of policies and guidelines on all matters pertaining to this Ordinance. Two (2) trained health personnel shall be assigned in the operation of the Center.

**SECTION 7. FUNDING AND UTILIZATION.** The amount of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P300,000.00) shall be appropriated from the General Fund as initial funding for the operation of the Animal Bite Treatment Center. Additional funds may be appropriated as may be deemed necessary to sustain the operation of the Center. The fund shall be utilized exclusively for the purpose of implementing the plans and programs of the Center.

**SECTION 8. FEES TO BE COLLECTED.** A fee shall be collected for every dose of anti-rabies vaccine administered at the Center to be paid at the Municipal Treasurer’s Office.

8.1 For every dose of anti-rabies vaccine administered at the Center, the amount of SIX HUNDRED PESOS (P600.00) shall be collected.

8.2 Indigent patients who are residents of La Paz, Leyte may avail of the vaccine thru the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS) Program of the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer (MSWDO) of La Paz, Leyte.

8.3 All fees collected shall accrue to the Trust Fund of the Municipal Health Office which will be utilized for the purchase of anti-rabies vaccines and medical supplies.

**SECTION 9. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS.** The Implementing Rules and Regulations shall be issued by the Municipal Mayor within sixty (60) days upon final consideration and approval of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If, for any reason/s, any part or provision of this Ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

**SECTION 11. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All existing ordinances, regulations and executive orders inconsistent with the provisions of the herein ordinance is hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect after ten (10) days from the date a copy thereof has been posted in the bulletin board at the entrance of the Municipal Hall and in at least two (2) other conspicuous places in the Municipality.


**ENACTED** this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January 2024 by the Sangguniang Bayan, this Municipality.

**Unanimously approved.**

  
**ALVIN M. TEJOME**  
*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

  
**JOEL C. CINCO**  
*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

  
**ARACELI P. GO, CPA**  
*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

  
**RELY F. RELANO**  
*Sangguniang Bayan Member*


  
**JOSE R. CARTEL**  
*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

  
**PIO S. BARONA**  
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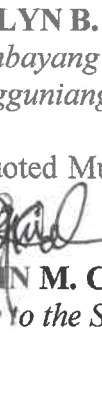
  
**OSCAR G. YAN-PIENGCO, J. D.**  
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**MARLOU T. MARTICIO**  
*Sangguniang Bayan Member*


  
**GLORIA M. TEJOME**  
*Liga ng mga Barangay President*

  
**FIONAH KIMBERLYN B. ACOMPAÑADO**  
*President, Pambayang Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan*

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness to the foregoing quoted Municipal Ordinance No. 02, series of 2024.

  
**ERWIN M. CERNAL**  
*Secretary to the Sanggunian*

**ATTESTED:**

  
**LYNDO A. QUINA**  
*Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer*

**APPROVED BY:**

  
**ANGELA A. SIA, JR.**  
*Municipal Mayor*



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ANIMAL BITE CENTER UNDER THE MUNICIPAL HEALTH OFFICE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ, PROVINCE OF LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

**Present:** (Attendance Sheet is hereto attached)

The assembly started at 10:00 in the morning and a short prayer was immediately led by the SB Secretary.

Honorable Araceli P. Go, Sangguniang Bayan member, Committee Chair of the Committee on Health and Sanitation explained before the attendees the whole content of the proposed ordinance. Likewise, Dr. Jackie Ann S. Pundavela, Municipal Health Officer, presented before the attendees the alarming cases of animal bites in the municipality in 2022 and in 2023, and the cost of SIX HUNDRED PESOS (Php600.00) for every dose of anti-rabies vaccine.

Honorable Edward Radam, Punong Barangay of Barangay Poblacion District I requested for the fast and immediate assistance to all indigent patients that will avail the said program.

Other questions and queries raised concern more on the approved MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 01, 2019 - AN ORDINANCE REGULATING ASTRAY ANIMALS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ, LEYTE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREOF.

Having no discussions and deliberations regarding the public hearing, Honorable Araceli P. Go, and all other Sangguniang Bayan members present, thanked all the attendees of the said public hearing.

Unanimously approved.

**RELY F. RELANO**

Vice Chairman, Committee on Health and Sanitation

**PIO S. BARONA**

Member, Committee on Health and Sanitation

**MARLOU T. MARTICIO**

Member, Committee on Health and Sanitation

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-written MINUTES.

**ERWIN M. CERNAL**  
 Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

**ARACELI P. GO, CPA**

SB Member/Chair, Committee on Health and Sanitation



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**ATTENDANCE SHEET**  
 (January 19, 2024)

**PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ANIMAL BITE TREATMENT CENTER UNDER THE MUNICIPAL HEALTH OFFICE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ, LEYTE AND PROVIDING THEREOF AT DON EULOGIO LOPEZ MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM.**

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34.	Dionah Frances P. Albor	Mun. Accountant	
35.	EDWIN M. CERNAL	SB SECRETARY	dup. of [Signature]
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CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN:

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY** that **POSTING** in prominent places in the Municipal Hall and other conspicuous places in the locality was undertaken and copies of said ordinances was remain posted for three (3) consecutive weeks pursuant to Section 59 (b) of Republic Act 7190, in relation on the ordinance - **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 02, SERIES OF 2024- AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ANIMAL BITE TREATMENT CENTER UNDER THE MUNICIPAL HEALTH OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ PROVINCE OF LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF.**

Subject ordinance is being forwarded to that Body for review in compliance with Section 56 of Republic Act 7160.

ISSUED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024 at the office of Sangguniang Bayan, La Paz, Leyte.

Very truly yours,

**ERWIN M. CERNAL**

Secretary of the Sangguniang Bayan

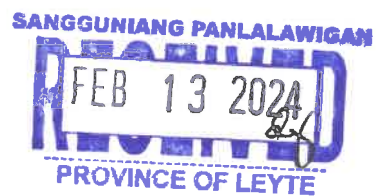


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12 February, 2024



**FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian  
Sangguniang Panlalawigan  
Province of Leyte  
Legislative Bldg, Capitol Complex  
Palo, Leyte

Madam :


Respectfully submitting herewith copies of **Municipal Ordinance No. 2. Series of 2024** of the Local Government Unit of La Paz, Leyte – ***‘AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ANIMAL BITE TREATMENT CENTER UNDER THE MUNICIPAL HEALTH OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ, PROVINCE OF LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF,*** for legislation and approval.

Please acknowledge receipt hereof and requesting the same be given due course and appropriate action.

Early action hereon will be highly appreciated.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

  
**ERWIN M. CERNAL**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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12 February, 2024

**HON. LEONARDO "SANDY" JAVIER, JR.**  
Vice Governor and Presiding Officer  
The Honorable Members  
Sangguniang Panlalawigan  
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Dear Honorable Ladies and Gentlemen:

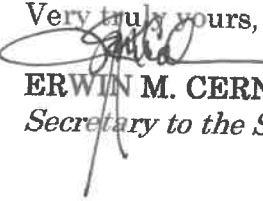
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