

Item No.: 16

Date: 16 2024 JUN

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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 24<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 6<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF BAYBAY, PROVINCE OF LEYTE HELD AT THE SESSION HALL, NEW CITY HALL BUILDING, DIVERSION ROAD, BARANGAY GAAS ON JUNE 13, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 348

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING COMMITMENT OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF BAYBAY, TO GIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P500,000.00) FOR THE OPERATION OF SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AT THE VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY (VSU), BAYBAY CITY, LEYTE.

WHEREAS, the Visayas State University Integrated High School (hereinafter referred to as VSU-IHS for brevity) has been offering Senior High School program (Grades 11 & 12) since 2016;

WHEREAS, the VSU-IHS successfully forged competent graduates who are well prepared specially for the science, engineering and mathematics baccalaureate courses;

WHEREAS, the VSU-IHS has successfully served as "Feeder High School" with most of its graduates proceeding to enroll in Senior High School under its program and then study at VSU for their Bachelor Degrees;

WHEREAS, in November 2023, VSU-IHS announced to the parents of their Senior High School students that the program (Senior High School) will be discontinued starting school year 2023-2024 due to "lack of basis for funding" per CHED Memorandum No. 241, S. 2023;

WHEREAS, projection of the DepEd Baybay City District revealed that given the number of Grade 10 graduates of junior high schools of Baybay and the absorptive capacity of SHSs of Baybay City, not considering the access or locations of the SHS and closure of VSU-IHS Senior High School, there will be 398 junior HS graduates that will exceed the absorptive capacity of all SHS of Baybay City;

WHEREAS, pushing for the closure of VSU-IHS will exacerbate the problem of absorbing the excess number of students beyond the absorptive capacity of all SHSs in the City of Baybay, most certainly leading to disenfranchisement of basic education to close to a thousand of junior high school graduates of 2024 from the City of Baybay;

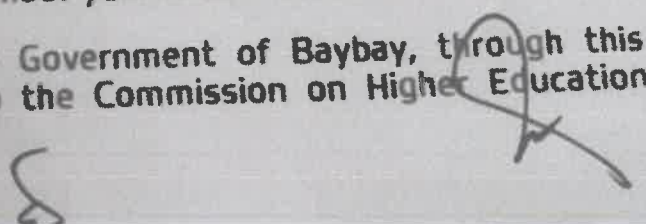
WHEREAS, it is the earnest desire of the City Government of Baybay to exhaust and support all means possible for the continued offering and operation of the Senior High School of VSU;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Baybay believed that the continued operation of Senior High School of VSU is supported by RA 10533, the Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013, under Section 10 thereof which allow VSU a non-DepEd schools offering senior high school to avail of E-GASTPE benefits under RA 8545, and Section 11 of RA 10533 which provides that the continued operation of the enhanced basic education program shall be included in the annual GAA;

WHEREAS, the Senior High School as part of "basic education" under RA 10533, Sections 3 and 4, should be available at all times to our students, hence the need to continue the Senior High School program at VSU;

WHEREAS, the BOR of VSU was already notified by the CHED of the discontinuance of its Senior High School Program this school year thus no budget allocation was made for its operation for school year 2024-2025;

WHEREAS, in view thereof, the City Government of Baybay, through this august body, expresses its commitment to the Commission on Higher Education



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Chairperson Dr. J. Prospero E. De Vera III, thru CHED Commissioner Dr. Ethel Agnes P. Valenzuela and VSU BOR to give financial assistance in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (P500,000.00) for the operation of senior high school in VSU for school year 2024-2025;

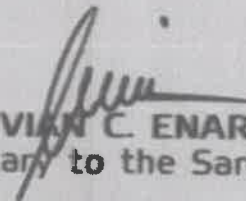
WHEREFORE, on motion of the SP Member Jose L. Bacusmo, duly seconded by SP Member Filemon F. Avila and SP Member Carmen L. Cari, be it;

RESOLVED, as it hereby does RESOLVE, to express the COMMITMENT OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF BAYBAY, TO GIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P500,000.00) FOR THE OPERATION OF SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AT THE VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY (VSU), BAYBAY CITY, LEYTE FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025.

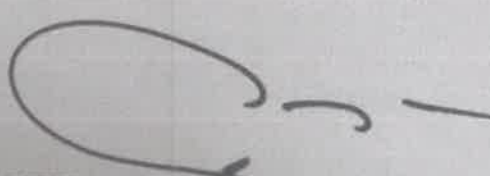
RESOLVED FURTHER, that certified copies of this resolution be furnished to the Honorable City Mayor, Jose Carlos L. Cari, Visayas State University and other offices/agencies concerned for their information and appropriate action.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution that was duly adopted during the regular session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod held on June 13, 2024.

  
ATTY. VIVIAN C. ENARIO-VIDALLON  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED  
TO BE DULY ADOPTED:

  
ATTY. ERNESTO M. BUTAWAN  
City Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

  
ENGR. JOSE CARLOS L. CARI  
City Mayor