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**2<sup>nd</sup> INDORSEMENT**  
August 22, 2024

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 07, s. 2024 of Sangguniang Bayan of Abuyog, Leyte.

**Issues/concerns for review/recommendation/legal opinion is/are as follows:**

- Ordinance No. 07, s. 2024 entitled: **An Ordinance Amending the Abuyog Children's Code and Appropriating Funds Thereof.**

**REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:**

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is within the powers covered under Section 447(5)(xiv)<sup>1</sup> of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A7160).

Likewise as settled in the case of Costantino v. Desierto 288 SCRA 654, it is within the power of the Local Council to repeal or amend its prior acts either expressly, or by the passage of an essentially inconsistent resolution. Hence, recommending the declaration of its validity

We hope to have assisted you with this request. Please note that the opinion rendered by this Office are based on facts available and may vary or change when additional facts and documents are presented or changed. This opinion is likewise without prejudice to the opinions rendered by higher and competent authorities and/or the courts.

**ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL**  
*Asst. Provincial Legal Officer*  
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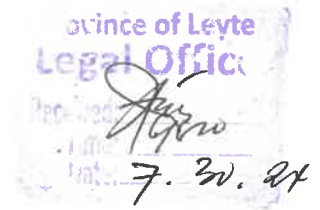
<sup>1</sup>Section 447(5)(xiv) Provide for the care of xxxxxx abandoned minor, Juvenile delinquents, drug dependents, abused children and other needy and disadvantaged persons, particularly children and youth below eighteen (18) years of age, subject to availability of funds, establish and provide for the operation of centers and facilities for said needy and disadvantaged persons;

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**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN**

**1<sup>ST</sup> ENDORSEMENT**  
**29 July 2024**



Respectfully indorsed to the **PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE** the herein **ORDINANCE NO. 07 series 2024** of the **MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG, LEYTE, "AMENDING the ABUYOG CHILDREN'S CODE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF"**, for review and recommendations.

  
**FLORINDA J. S. JYVICO**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

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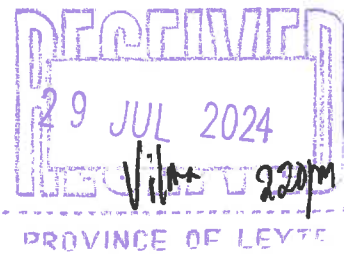
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Office of the Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

July 29, 2024

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**FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian  
Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte  
Legislative Building  
Capitol Grounds  
Tacloban City

Ma'am;

Respectfully transmitting herewith as attached Ordinance No 07, s. 2024 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Abuyog, Leyte re: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ABUYOG CHILDREN'S CODE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF" for the review of the Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Leyte

Thank you and more power.

Very respectfully yours,

  
**ARSENIO Y. VILLOTE**  
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

a/s



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ORDINANCE NO. 07, SERIES 2024

Authored by: SBM Francisco B. Landia

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance (No. 01, Series of 2008, otherwise known as the Abuyog) Children's Code, was duly enacted on (January 29, 2008 ;)

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to update the said code to update and cater to the changes that were made to the Philippine National Strategic Framework for Plan Development for Children or CHILD 21;

**WHEREAS**, CHILD 21 is a strategic framework for planning programs and interventions that promote and safeguard the rights of Filipino children;

**WHEREAS**, CHILD 21 embodies the fulfillment and upholding the rights of the child in the four (4) aspects of a child's life, that are SURVIVAL, DEVELOPMENT, PROTECTION, AND PARTICIPATION;

**WHEREAS**, as mandated by Republic Act 7180 (Section 458 (5) XVI), the Sangguniang Bayan is empowered to provide care for abandoned minors, juvenile delinquents, abused children and other needy and disadvantaged persons, particularly children and the youth below eighteen years of age;

**WHEREAS**, every Local Government Unit has its own policy that would uphold the rights of children for survival, protection, participation and development;

**WHEREAS**, support mechanisms for child care and development from conception to adolescence stage must also be given top priority by the government;

**WHEREAS**, as stated in Presidential Decree 603 otherwise known as the "Child and Youth Welfare Code", the natural right and duty of parents in the rearing of the child for civic efficiency should receive the aid and support of the Government (Article 1 paragraph 5);

**WHEREAS**, it is then imperative that the Municipal Government to adopt its own program/s that would advocate the respect and care for the role of the family as an essential and basic unit of society;

**WHEREAS**, in order to achieve this goal and successfully carry out said endeavor, the Abuyog Municipal Government, in partnership with other agencies and non-government organizations, shall work rigidly to promote the welfare of its young citizens and provide opportunities that would give them the chance to live a productive and happy life;

**HENCE**, this Ordinance.

  
**HON. FRANCISCO B. LANDIA**  
Sangguniang Bayan Member



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**Office of the Sangguniang Bayan**

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 18<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 19<sup>TH</sup> HONORABLE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF ABUYOG, LEYTE HELD AT ITS SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING MUNICIPAL COMPOUND, ABUYOG, LEYTE ON MAY 7, 2024.

**PRESENT:**

Hon. James L. Bohol	Municipal Vice-Mayor, Prsdg. Officer
Hon. Jeannette A. Valida	SB Member, Prsdg. Pro-tempore
Hon. Antonio C. Almendra, Jr.	SB Member
Hon. Arnold R. Allera	SB Member
Hon. Patrocinio A. Risos, Jr.	SB Member
Hon. Editha C. Deloy	SB Member
Hon. Edmundo P. Saño	SB Member
Hon. Francisco B. Landia	SB Member, Floor Leader
Hon. Erwin V. Belleza	SB Member
Hon. Dario P. Llave	SB Member, ABC President
Hon. Melliza Jane C. Traya	SB Member, SK Ped. Pres.

**ABSENT:**

None

**ORDINANCE NO. 07, SERIES 2024**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ABUYOG CHILDREN'S CODE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF.**

Authored by: Honorable Francisco B. Landia  
 Co Authored by: Honorable Arnold R. Allera  
 Honorable Jeannette A. Valida  
 Honorable Patrocinio A. Risos  
 Honorable Antonio C. Almendra  
 Honorable Editha C. Deloy

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the 19<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Bayan of Abuyog, Leyte in a session duly assembled that:

**CHAPTER I  
 GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**SECTION 1. TITLE** – This Ordinance shall be known as the **"Abuyog, Leyte Children's Code of 2024"**

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY** - The Abuyog, Leyte Government hereby adopts and imposes policies and strategies that would establish and protect the rights of children. Their survival, protection, participation, and development are given preferential consideration in all of its government programs. The Municipal Government shall also endeavor to propagate the role of the family as the basic unit of society. It shall, likewise, work and establish strong partnerships with various private, non-government and people's organizations that are genuinely concerned, willing and capable to work for the welfare of the children.

**SECTION 3. SCOPE AND COVERAGE** – The provisions of this Ordinance shall govern all institutions, departments, offices, and agencies that are under the supervision of the Municipal Government of Abuyog, Leyte. It shall also govern, without prejudice to existing laws, all persons, entities, private, non-government/people's organizations that deal with children, their rights and any undertaking relative to a child's development, survival, protection and participation.

**SECTION 4. SOURCE OF AUTHORITY** – This updated Ordinance shall be in consonance with the provisions and policies set by the following:

1. **REPUBLIC ACT 8980** (Early Childhood Care and Development Act of 2000)
2. **PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 603 as amended**, (The Children and Youth Welfare Code)
3. **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209 s. 1987** (The Family Code of the Philippines)
4. **REPUBLIC ACT 7610** (An Act Providing Strong Deterrence Against Child Abuse)
5. **REPUBLIC ACT 7658** (Prohibits the employment of children below 15 years of age)
6. **REPUBLIC ACT 8369** (The Family Courts Act of 1997)
7. **REPUBLIC ACT 9262** (Anti-Violence Against Women and their Children Act of 2006)
8. **REPUBLIC ACT 9344** (Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006)
9. **REPUBLIC ACT 10410** or the "Early Years Act" (Survival/Development):

**AN ACT RECOGNIZING THE AGE FROM ZERO (0) TO EIGHT (8) YEARS AS THE FIRST CRUCIAL STAGE OF EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENING THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

- a. Recognizes the age from zero (0) to eight (8) years as the first crucial stage of educational development of which the age from zero (0) to four (4) years shall be the responsibility of the Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) Council; and
  - b. Institutionalize a National System for Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) that is comprehensive, integrative and sustainable.
10. **REPUBLIC ACT 10666** or the "Children's Safety on Motorcycles Act" (Protection):

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN ABOARD MOTORCYCLES**

- a. Two-wheeled motorcycle riders may not be allowed to drive a motorcycle with a small child on board;
  - b. Stipulate that only children whose feet can reach the foot peg, could wrap their arms around the driver's waist, and wears protective gear such as a helmet may be allowed to ride on a motorcycle with an adult.
11. **REPUBLIC ACT 10821** or the "Children's Emergency Relief and Protection Act" (Survival/Protection):

**AN ACT MANDATING THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY RELIEF AND PROTECTION FOR CHILDREN BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER DISASTERS AND OTHER EMERGENCY SITUATIONS**

- a. Establish and implement a comprehensive and strategic program of action to provide the children and pregnant and lactating mothers affected by disasters and other emergency situations;

- b. The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) shall formulate a Comprehensive Emergency Program for Children, hereinafter referred to as the Program, taking into consideration humanitarian standards for their protection.

b.1. Establishment of Evacuation Centers

**12. REPUBLIC ACT 11036 or the "National Mental Health Policy" (Survival):**

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH POLICY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENHANCING THE DELIVERY OF INTEGRATED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, PROMOTING AND PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS UTILIZING PSYCHOSOCIAL HEALTH SERVICES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND OTHER PURPOSES**

- a. **Section 24. Mental Health Promotion in Educational Institutions.** - Educational Institutions, such as schools, colleges, universities, and technical schools, shall develop policies and programs for students, educators, and other employees designed to: raise awareness on mental health issues, identified and provide support and services for individuals at risk, and facility access, including referral mechanisms of individual with metal health conditions to treatment and psychosocial support.
- b. **Section 25. Mental Health Promotion and Policies in the Workplace.** - Employers shall develop appropriate policies and programs on mental health issues, correct the stigma and discrimination associated with mental conditions, identify and provide support for individuals with mental health conditions to treatment and psychosocial support.

**13. REPUBLIC ACT 11037 or the "Masustansyang Pagkain para sa Batang Pilipino" (Survival):**

**NATIONAL FEEDING PROGRAM**

- a. The law establishes the National Feeding Program.
- b. The program includes several components and coverage:
  - b.1 Components include supplemental feeding for undernourished children aged three to five years in day care centers, school-based feeding for undernourished public school children from kindergarten to grade six, milk feeding program, provision of micronutrient supplements, health examinations, vaccination, deworming, promotion of vegetable cultivation in schools, establishment of water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities, and integrated nutrition education and social mobilization.
- c. The program aims to provide at least one fortified meal for a minimum of 120 days per year.
- d. LGU Assistance and Private Sector Participation.
- e. The law requires the assistance of LGUs in implementing the program.
- f. It also encourages private sector participation in supporting the program.
- g. This ensures that the program receives support from both the government and private entities.

**14. REPUBLIC ACT 11148, F1KD (First 1,000 Days) or the "Kalusugan at Nutrisyon ng Magnanay Act" (Survival):**

- a. The law scales up nutrition intervention programs in the first 1,000 days of a child's life.
- b. It allocates resources in a sustainable manner to improve the nutritional status and address the malnutrition of infants and young children, adolescent females, pregnant and lactating women.
- c. The law provides specific program components for each stage of life, including the prenatal period, birth and newborn period, postpartum and lactating women, infancy, and children up to two years old.
- d. These components include comprehensive health and nutrition services, such as prenatal care, immunizations, nutrition counseling, micronutrient supplementation, growth monitoring, and promotion of responsive caregiving and early stimulation.
- e. The law emphasizes the importance of nutrition-sensitive and nutrition-specific interventions and programs.
- f. It covers those who are nutritionally-at-risk, especially pregnant and lactating women, particularly teenage mothers, women of reproductive age, adolescent girls, and all Filipino children who are newly born up to age twenty-four months.
- g. Priority is given to those residing in disaster-prone areas, Geographically Isolated and Disadvantaged Areas (GIDA), unserved and underserved communities, and areas with high incidences of poverty.

**15. REPUBLIC ACT 9231 or the "Special Protection of Children Against Child Abuse, Exploitation and Discrimination Act" (Protection):**

**PURPOSE OF THE ANTI-CHILD LABOR LAW**

- a. The purpose of the Anti-Child Labor Law, also known as Republic Act No. 9231, is to protect children from abuse, neglect, and exploitation.
- b. The law aims to prohibit the employment of children below the age of fifteen and set limits on working hours. It ensures that the income earned by working children is used for their welfare and education.
- c. Children below fifteen years of age should not be employed, except when they work directly under the sole responsibility of their parents or legal guardians.  
Children below fifteen years of age may work for a maximum of twenty hours per week, with no more than four hours per day.
- d. Children aged fifteen to eighteen years should not work for more than eight hours per day or forty hours per week.
- e. Children below fifteen years of age are prohibited from working between eight o'clock in the evening and six o'clock in the morning.
- f. Children aged fifteen to eighteen years are prohibited from working between ten o'clock in the evening and six o'clock in the morning.



**16. REPUBLIC ACT 11188** or the *“Special Protection of Children in Situations of Armed Conflict Act”* (Protection):

- a. Children are declared as Zones of Peace and shall be treated in accordance with the policies stipulated in the Special Protection of Children against Child Abuse, Exploitation, and Discrimination Act.
- b. The Act prohibits acts of grave child rights violations such as killing, torture, maiming, rape, and other forms of sexual violence against children.
- c. It also prohibits acts of cruel, inhuman, and degrading treatment or punishment, abduction of children, taking children as hostages or using them as human shields, recruitment of children into government forces or armed groups, acts of gender-based violence against children, refusal or denial of humanitarian access or assistance to children, involvement of children in armed conflict, attacks on schools, hospitals, places of worship, and other public places.

**17. EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 51** or the *“National Code of Marketing of Breast Milk Substitutes, Breast Milk Supplement and Other Related Products”* (Survival):

**ADOPTING A NATIONAL CODE OF MARKETING OF BREASTMILK SUBSTITUTES, BREAST MILK SUPPLEMENTS AND RELATED PRODUCTS, PENALIZING VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

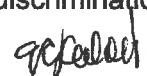
- a. The aim of the Code is to contribute to the provision of safe and adequate nutrition for infants by the protection and promotion of breastfeeding and by ensuring the proper use of breast milk substitutes and breast milk supplements when these are necessary, on the basis of adequate information and through appropriate marketing and distributions.
- b. The Code applies to the marketing and practices related thereto, of the following products: breast milk substitutes, including infant formula; other milk products, foods and beverages, including bottle-fed complementary foods, when marketed or otherwise represented to be suitable, with or without modification, for use as a partial or total replacement of breast milk; feeding bottles and teats. It also applies to their quality and availability, and to information concerning their use.



**SECTION 5. DEFINITIONS OF TERMS.**



- a. **CHILD/CHILDREN** - shall refer to persons aged below eighteen (18) years or those over but not able to fully take care of themselves or protect themselves from abuse, neglect, cruelty, exploitation, or discrimination because of a physical or mental disability or condition;
- b. **SURVIVAL RIGHTS** - pertains to the right of child/children to be born in an adequate living standard and access to basic health services and social security.
- c. **DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS** - pertains to the access of a child/children to good health, education, opportunities, access to relevant information, play, leisure, cultural activities and the right to freedom of thought and religion.
- d. **PROTECTION RIGHTS** - pertains to the right to be free and protected from all forms of child abuse, exploitation, and discrimination;



- e. **PARTICIPATION RIGHTS** - pertains to the right or freedom to express oneself in matters affecting his/her life as part of preparation for becoming a responsible citizen;
- f. **CHILD ABUSE** - refers to maltreatment of the child/children, whether habitual or not, which includes any of the following:
  - 1. Psychological and physical abuse, such as neglect, cruelty, abandonment and other forms of abuses;
  - 2. Any act by deed or word which debases, degrades demeans the intrinsic worth and dignity of a child as a human being;
  - 3. Unreasonable deprivation of his/her basic needs of survival such as food and shelter;
  - 4. Failure to immediately give medical treatment to an injured child resulting to serious impairment of his/her growth and development or permanent incapacity or death.
  - 5. Circumstances which gravely threaten or endanger the survival and normal development of children which include but not limited to the following:
    - 5. a. Working under conditions hazardous to life, safety and morals which unduly interfere with their normal development or working without provision for their education;
    - 5. b. Living in or fending for themselves on the streets of urban and rural areas without the care of parents or guardian or any adult supervision needed for their welfare;
    - 5. c. Living under conditions of extreme poverty or in an area which is under developed and/or lacks or has inadequate access to basic services needed for a good quality of life;
    - 5. d. Being with family members or guardians having grave psychological problems enough for them to commit incest, siblings' rape, lascivious acts and other forms of physical and mental abuse;
    - 5. e. Being a victim of man-made or natural disaster or calamity;
    - 5. f. Being a victim of an illegal transnational or child trafficking;
    - 5. g. Circumstances analogous to those above-stated which endanger the life, safety or normal development of children.
- g. **COMPREHENSIVE CHILDREN'S SUPPORT SYSTEMS ON CHILD ABUSE, EXPLOITATION AND DISCRIMINATION** - refers to the coordinated program of services facilities to protect children against: Child prostitution and other sexual abuse; Child trafficking; Obscene publications and indecent shows; Other acts of abuse; and Circumstances which threaten or endanger the survival and normal development of children or as prescribed by the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child;
- h. **ANTI-SOCIAL RELATED ACTIVITIES** - are those acts against poverty, chastity and persons which include, but are not limited to the following:

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- h.1. Petty crimes such as snatching, shoplifting, misrepresentations;
- h.2. Using and pushing prohibited drugs and other habit forming substances, selling illegal or lewd reading materials;
- h.3. Pimping for sexual perversions, doing or participating in obscene shows or performances;
- h.4. Gambling in any form;
- h.5. Any other circumstances which are defined under other existing laws.

i. **CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW** - is a youthful offender who is over fifteen (15) years but under eighteen (18) years of age and acting with discernment at the time of the commission of the offense as provided under Republic Act 9344;

j. **HAZING** - an initiation rite being conducted as a pre-requisite for admission as member in a fraternity, sorority or organization by placing the recruit, neophyte or applicant in an embarrassing or humiliating situation such as forcing him/her to do mental unlikely and other similar tasks or activities or otherwise subjecting him/her to physical or psychological suffering or inquiry.

k. **SCHOOL HOURS** - refers to the time where elementary and high school students are supposed to be inside school premises.

l. **LOITERING** - staying in a particular place or commercial establishments like food chains, malls, etc. more than the usual or regular time needed to stay such places during school hours;

m. **ORGANIZATION, FRATERNITY, SORORITY, GANG ASSOCIATION** - shall be defined as an organization which engages in hazing as initiation rites which inflicts physical, psychological / mental harm to its members or others as a condition for acceptance in such an organization.

**CHAPTER II  
PROTECTION RIGHTS OF CHILDREN**

**SECTION 6. PROTECTION AGAINST CHILD PROSTITUTION AND OTHER SEXUAL ABUSE.**

any person/group or syndicate who, for money, profit or any other consideration shall coerce or influence children to indulge in sexual activities are considered engaged in exploitation of children through prostitution and other sexual abuse. The following shall be deemed engaged in exploitation of children through prostitution and other sexual abuse, and shall be penalized accordingly.

a. Those who engage in or promote, facilitate or induce child prostitution in the Municipality of Abuyog which includes, but are not limited to the following shall be imposed with the penalty prescribed in Section 5 of Republic Act 7610:

- a.1. Acting as a procurer of a child prostitute by means of written or oral advertisements or other similar means;
- a.2. Inducing a person to be a client of a child prostitute by means of written or oral advertisements or other similar means;
- a.3. Entering into a relationship with, or taking advantage of a child as a prostitute;
- a.4. Threatening or using violence towards a child to engage him/her as a prostitute or a participant in indecent shows;
- a.5. Giving monetary consideration, goods or other pecuniary benefit to a child with the intent to engage such child in prostitution.

- b. Those who derive profit or advantage there from, whether as manager or owner of the establishment where the prostitution takes place, or of the sauna, disco bar, place of entertainment or establishment serving as a cover or which engages in prostitution in addition to the activity for which the license has been issued to said establishment.
- c. Those who commit the act of sexual intercourse or lascivious conduct with a child exploited in prostitution or subject to sexual abuse. Provided that when the victim is under twelve (12) years of age, the offender shall be prosecuted under Article 266 of the Revised Penal Code as amended by Republic Act 8353, for the crime of rape.
- d. Those who shall hire, employ, use, persuade, induce or coerce a child to perform in obscene exhibitions and indecent shows, whether live or in video, pose or model in obscene publications or pornographic materials or to sell or distribute the said materials shall suffer the penalty provided under Section 9 of Republic Act 7610 (as amended) "Special Protection against Child Abuse Exploitation and Discrimination Act.
- e. Ascendant, guardian or person entrusted in any capacity with care of a child who shall cause and/or allow such child to be employed or to participate in an obscene play, scene, act, movies or show or in any other obscene acts shall be penalized in accordance with Section 9 of Republic Act 7610.

**SECTION 7. PROTECTION AGAINST CHILD TRAFFICKING** - Any person who shall engage in trading and dealing with children including, but not limited to, the act of buying and selling of a child for money, or for any other consideration, or barter, shall suffer the penalty as prescribed in Article IV of Republic Act 7610.

An attempt to engage in Child Trafficking is committed under the guise of the following circumstances / situations and thereto should be punished accordingly:

- a. When a pregnant mother, father or guardian executes an affidavit of consent for adoption for a consideration or in any manner that causes the registration of the birth of such child in the name of another with or without consideration;
- b. When a person, agency, establishment or child-caring institution recruits women or couples to bear children for the purpose of child trafficking;
- c. When a doctor, hospital or clinic official or employee, nurse, midwife, local civil registrar or any other person simulates birth certificate for the purpose of child trafficking;
- d. When a person, authority, agency or institution witnesses but fails or refuses to report any transactions or acts to circumstances in child trafficking;
- e. When a person engages in the act of finding children among low-income families, hospitals, clinics, nurseries, day care centers or other child caring Institutions for the purpose of child trafficking.

**SECTION 8. OBSCENCE PUBLICATIONS, INDECENT SHOWS AND X-RATED OR LEWD SHOWS.** Person/s who hire, employ, use, persuade or coerce a child to perform in obscene exhibitions and shows, whether live or in video, pose or model in obscene publications or pornographic materials shall suffer the penalty as prescribed in Section 9 of Republic Act 7610.

**SECTION 9. OTHER ACTS/FORMS OF CHILD ABUSE, NEGLECT, CRUELTY OR EXPLOITATION AND OTHER CONDITIONS PREJUDICIAL TO A CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT.**

- a. Any person who shall commit any other acts of child abuses, cruelty or exploitation or be responsible for other conditions prejudicial to the child's development including those covered by Article 59 of P.D. 603 as amended but not covered by the Revised Penal Code, as amended, shall suffer the penalty provided under Section 16 (a) of Republic Act 7610;
- b. Any person who shall use, coerce, force or intimidate a street child or any other child to conduct any illegal activities shall suffer the penalty provided under Section 10 (e) of Republic Act 7610. The victim of the acts committed under this section shall be entrusted to the care of the local DSWD Officer.
- c. Any forms of brutality committed against children by police authorities shall be penalized under the provisions of the Revised Penal Code, Republic Act 7610, and other existing laws without prejudice to the filing of the complaint before the People's Law Enforcement Board (PLEB).

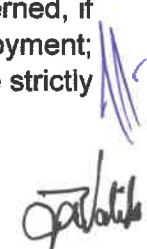
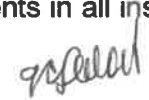
**SECTION 10. SANCTIONS ON ESTABLISHMENTS OR ENTERPRISES WHICH PROMOTE, FACILITATE, OR CONDUCT ACTIVITIES CONSTITUTING CHILD PROSTITUTION AND OTHER SEXUAL ABUSE, CHILD TRAFFICKING, OBSCENE PUBLICATIONS AND INDICENT SHOWS.**

All establishments or enterprises which promote or facilitate child prostitution and sexual abuse, child trafficking, obscene publications and indecent shows and other acts of abuse shall be immediately closed/padlocked and their authority or license to operate shall be cancelled, without prejudice to the owner and/or manager thereof being prosecuted under existing laws.

Any person/s and/or business establishment/s or even owners of private dwellings that sell, facilitate, promote, publish, show or exhibits, manufacture or reproduce smut/pornographic/ bold pictures, magazines, books and any form of publications, videos in any form, illicit and lewd/obscene shows and/or x-rated movies to minors shall be subject to confiscation of obscene material/s and closure of establishment, without prejudice to their prosecution under other existing laws.

**SECTION 11. EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN.**

1. Employment of children below fifteen (15) years of age shall not be allowed in the Municipality of Abuyog except:
  - a. When a child works directly under the sole responsibility of his parents or legal guardian and where only members of the employer's family are employed: Provided, however, that his employment neither endangers his life, safety, health and morals, nor impairs his normal development; Provided, further, that the parent or legal guardian shall provide the said minor child with the prescribed primary and/or secondary education; or
  - b. Where a child's employment or participation in public entertainment or information through cinema, theater, radio or television is essential: Provided: that employment contract is conducted by the child's parents or legal guardian, with the express agreement of the child concerned, if possible, and the approval of the Department of Labor and Employment; and Provided, that the following requirements in all instances are strictly complied with.



b.1 The employer shall ensure the protection, health, safety, morals and normal development of the child;

b.2 The employer shall institute measures to prevent the child's exploitation or discrimination taking into account system and level of remuneration, and the duration and arrangement of working time and;

b.3 The employer shall formulate and implement, subject to the approval and supervision of competent authorities, a continuing program for training and skills acquisition of the child.

c. The employer shall register the child employee with the Abuyog, Leyte Council for the Welfare of Children and Family Concerns and shall seek the approval of the Department of Labor and Employment and the local DSWD Officer to ensure that the benefits and protection measures shall be accorded to the child.

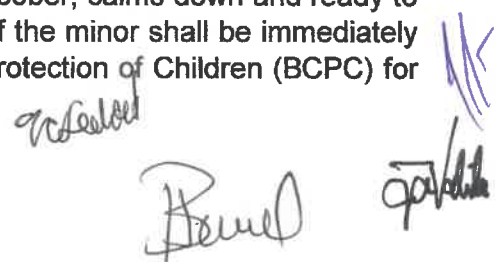
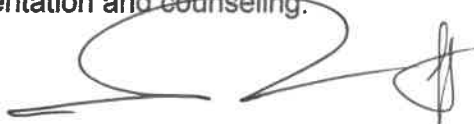
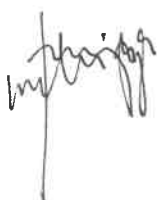
2. No person or operator of transportation vehicle such as tricycles, jeepney, pedicabs and taxis shall employ or allow minors as driver thereof. Those who will violate this provision shall suffer the penalty under existing laws and cancellation of the Certificate of Public Convenience (franchise) to operate public transportation.
3. No person shall employ a child to model in all forms of commercial or advertisements promoting alcoholic beverages, intoxicating drinks, tobacco and its by-product, junk foods and violence. Any person who shall violate any provision of this section shall suffer the penalty as prescribed in Section 16 of Republic Act 7610.
4. Person/s who hire, employ, use, persuade or coerce a child to perform in obscene exhibitions and indecent shows, whether live or in video, pose or model in obscene publications or pornographic materials shall suffer the penalty as prescribed in Section 9 of Republic Act 7610.
5. Any person/s who shall use, coerce, or force or intimidate a street child or any other child to beg or use begging as a means of living shall be penalized under Section 10 (e) of Republic Act 7610. Children found to be begging shall be rescued and brought to the custody of the Municipal Department of Social Welfare and Development Office for proper treatment and care while parents of these children will undergo counseling and responsible parenting formation.

**CHAPTER III  
PROTECTION MEASURES ON MINORS**

**SECTION 12. CURFEW ON MINORS.** For the protection of minors, they are prohibited from loitering in public places or moving outside their residences between the hours of 10:00 O'clock in the evening and 4:00 O'clock in the morning. Should there be a necessity for them to be outside their residences during curfew hours, they should be accompanied by their parent/s.

Responsible elders or guardians, otherwise, they should secure a curfew pass as prescribed by Section 3 of the Municipality Ordinance No. 324, S-2005.

Offenders found to be under the influence of liquor or illegal drugs and/or is causing harm, alarm and scandal to himself or others shall be temporarily held under the custody of the Barangay until the child offender is sober, calms down and ready to be sent home. Concerned parent/s or guardians of the minor shall be immediately summoned before the Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC) for orientation and counseling.



Eight (8) hours of community service with two (2) hours of lecture and counseling on parents' effectiveness shall be imposed on the child's parent/guardian found to have violated the Municipality Ordinance No. 324, S-2005.

**SECTION 13. LOITERING DURING SCHOOL HOURS.** Students or school children are banned from loitering in public places outside their school grounds/campuses during school hours unless they are accompanied by their parents/legal guardian or are attending an official school function or activity. Students and/or school children who will be caught loitering in public places outside their school grounds/campuses during school hours shall be sanctioned as follows:

- a. Seventy-two (72) hours of orientation on social concerns and community service and counseling.
- b. Concerned parent or guardian shall be notified and be required to attend parent's orientation seminar and community service for seventy-two (72) hours in their respective barangays.
- c. Concerned schools of students found loitering shall be immediately notified by the apprehending officers for its information and appropriate action.

Commercial Establishments which offer and promote vices such as but not limited to video arcades, bars, amusement centers, and gambling places to school children during school hours shall be subjected to closure/revocation of business permit and confiscation of their gadgets, equipment, machines and other paraphernalia.

**SECTION 14. FRATERNITIES AND GANGS.** No person shall force, coerce, bully or deceive any juvenile into joining any organization, fraternity, sorority, gang or association involved in unlawful activities or any deviant activities such as but not limited to vandalism, violence and sexual perversion. Any person who shall force, coerce or deceive any minor/juvenile into joining any organization, fraternity/sorority or gang within the campus or outside the school grounds shall be sanctioned with one (1) month of community service or twelve (12) months imprisonment or both without prejudice to his/her/their prosecution under Republic Act 8049.

Hazing or initiation rites are discourage, if not regulated, conforming with Republic Act 8049, an "Act Regulating Hazing and other Forms of Initiation Rites in Fraternities, Sororities and Other Organizations and providing Penalties Therefore"

**SECTION 15. SMOKING AND LIQUOR BAN ON MINORS.** It shall be unlawful for any person or establishment to sell liquor, cigarettes, and other tobacco products to minors within the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte. Violators shall be penalized as follows:

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| <i>1st Offense:</i>                 | <i>Fine of Five Hundred Pesos (P500.00)</i>  |
| <i>2nd Offense:</i>                 | <i>Fine of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00)</i>  |
| <i>3rd and Succeeding Offenses:</i> | <i>One Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P1, 500.00) and closure of business establishment and revocation of business permit.</i> |

**SECTION 16. MINORS ARE BANNED FROM BUYING VOLATILE SUBSTANCES SUCH AS RUGBY (TOLUENE) AND OTHER SIMILAR SUBSTANCES DEFINED AND ENUMERATED UNDER SECTION 1 OF P.D. 1619.** Any persons who sell or allows the selling of rugby (Toluene) and other habit inducing solvents to minors shall be penalized under Section 3 of P.D. 1619 and closure of the establishment selling the aforesaid substances to minors and revocation of its business permit.

**SECTION 17. MINORS ARE BANNED FROM ENGAGING IN ANY FORM OF GAMBLING.** Any person or establishment who allows minor/s to engage in any form of gambling shall be penalized by revocation of their permit to operate without prejudice to their being prosecuted under P.D. 1602 as amended by Republic Act 9287.

Establishments authorized to operate lottery such as lotto and other games such as Bingo, Cockfighting, and Horse Racing (Off-Track) Betting stations are prohibited from accepting bets from minors. Violator/s shall be punished by closure of the establishment plus revocation of its business permit.

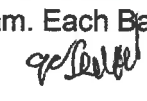
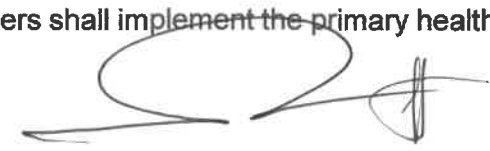
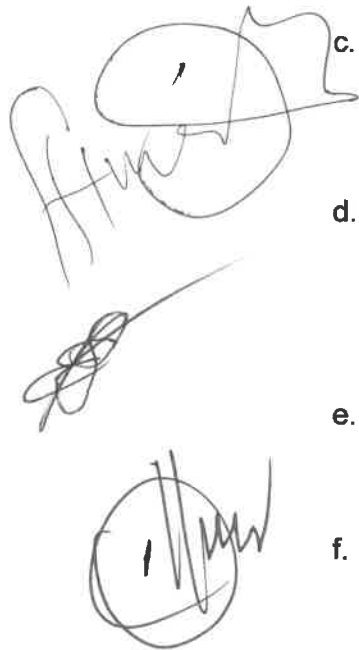
**SECTION 18. PROHIBITION ON TRICYCLE AND PEDICAB OVERLOADING UTILIZED AS SCHOOL SERVICE FOR CHILDREN.** As child's welfare and safety are the primary objectives of this ordinance, it is hereby prohibited the overloading of children passengers in tricycles and pedicabs or utilize such as school service for children. This practice endangers the lives of the students, the driver as well as ordinary passers-by. The said prohibited act shall be penalized accordingly by regulations set forth by the Tricycle Regulation Office and Traffic and Parking Management Office.

**CHAPTER IV  
SURVIVAL AND DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS OF CHILDREN**

**SECTION 19. EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM FRAMEWORKS.** The Local Municipal Government of Abuyog, Leyte shall ensure up to the maximum extent possible the survival and development of the child. The program on survival and development shall include the following:

- a. Monitoring of registration of births and completion of the immunization series for prevention of tuberculosis, diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, measles, poliomyelitis, and such other deceases for which vaccines have been developed for administration to children up to six (6) years of age;
- b. Growth and nutritional monitoring with nutritional feeding and supervision of nutritional intake through community visitations of Barangay Nutrition Council (BNC) and Barangay Health Workers (BHW);
- c. Material and Network of surrogate parents-teachers who will provide intellectual and mental stimulation to children, as well as supervised wholesome recreation, with a balanced program of supervised play, mentally-stimulating activities, and group activities with peers;
- d. Working closely with non-government organizations (NGO'S) and private institutions which can provide or serve a sanctuary for abused, neglected or exploited children which will take in children in urgent need of protection due to a situation which endangers the child or which has exposed the child to cruelty and abuse;
- e. A Reproductive Health Care Center for pregnant mothers for prenatal and neonatal care and, in the proper case, for delivery of the infant under conditions which will remove or minimize the risk to the mother and child;
- f. Day Care Centers with adequate facilities shall be established in every Barangay-A Barangay Level network of assistance from the adults of the Barangays for the total development and protection of children shall assist the social workers and Day Care Center teachers in implementing the programs for the children.

**SECTION 20. PROMOTION OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE PROGRAM.** The Barangay Health Centers shall implement the primary health program. Each Barangay Health Center





shall have a Barangay Child Health Officer tasked to monitor child health in the Barangay level with a salary commensurate to the task assigned and in accordance with the standards of the Civil Service Commission.

The Municipal Health Officer of Abuyog, Leyte shall take the following appropriate measures:

- a. To combat diseases and malnutrition within the framework of primary health care;
- b. To establish a Comprehensive Parent's Orientation Development Program which includes courses on reproductive health, child health and child rearing practices, and family planning in the context of the Filipino psychology and culture;
- c. To monitor the full implementation of Executive Order 51 otherwise known as the Milk Code of the Philippines, and advocate the prosecution of milk firms which violate the same;
- d. To conduct massive information and education on breastfeeding, utilizing existing materials for effective breastfeeding education program;
- e. The Municipality shall advocate for the implementation of Nursing Stations within the workplace for both private and government establishments;
- f. All health practitioners dealing with child health in government and private hospitals and other institutions shall be required to complete a Comprehensive Training Course in Child Health Care.

**SECTION 21. PROMOTION OF NEW BORN SCREENING PROGRAM.** The Municipality shall implement a new born screening program to ensure that every newborn has access certain inheritable condition that can result to mental-handicap, serious health complications or death if left undetected and untreated in conformity with the provisions of Republic Act 9288 or the New born Screening Act of 2004. The program on newborn screening shall include the following:

- a. All children born in public and private lying-in clinics, public and private hospitals and homes must undergo newborn screening test within the first forty-eight (48) hours after birth, but not later than three (3) days from the complete delivery of the newborn.
- b. The administration of the New Born Screening Test to babies whose parents are indigent residents of the Municipality and born at the Abuyog Rural Health Unit, or in any lying-ins and health centers of the Municipality shall be given for free, upon presentation of a Family Access Card a Certification from the Local DSWD of their indigency.
- c. All Children of Abuyog, Leyte residents who are born outside of the Municipality much also undergo a new born screening test.
- d. Any health practitioner in the Municipality of Abuyog who delivers and assists in the delivery, of a new born shall, prior to deliver, inform the parents or legal guardian of the newborn of the availability, nature and benefits of new born screening.
- e. The Municipality Health Department shall conduct continuing information, education, re-education and training program for health personnel on the rational, benefits, procedures of new born screening.
- f. Any parent or legal guardian who refuses to subject their newborn to a screening on a valid or religious ground and belief shall acknowledge in writing their understanding and refusal for testing will prevent early detection of child's disability that may manifest on onset of the developmental age of the child. A copy of this

refusal documentation shall be made part of the new born child's medical record, and said refusal shall be indicated in the National New Born Screening Database.

- g. The amount of Three Million Pesos (P3, 000.000.00) shall be set aside in the Budget Appropriation of the Municipality annually to be spent in the implementation of New Born Screening Program.

## CHAPTER V PARTICIPATION RIGHTS OF CHILDREN

**SECTION 22. PARTICIPATION OF CHILDREN IN DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES.** Article 12 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child states that children have the right to participate in decision making processes that may be relevant in their lives and to influence decisions taken in their regard within the family, the school or the community. It shall be the responsibilities of adults especially that in the local governance to provide opportunities and venue for children to express their views or ideas on matters concerning their development and welfare. In this regard, the local government offices involved in policy formulation are mandated to ensure that the children sectors are properly represented during deliberations, consultations and formulation of policies relevant to children's development and welfare.

**SECTION 23. STATE OF THE CHILDREN'S REPORT.** As embodied in Article 12 paragraph 2 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, Children's Congress or the State of the Children's Report shall be an avenue for Children to be heard and be assessed of all children related policies and programs done by the Municipality.

Every NGO's concerned with Children shall be instrumental in the process of the preparation and evaluation of the Convention. It shall be held every November during the celebration of Children's month.

## CHAPTER VI REHABILITATION AND SUPPORT SYSTEM

**SECTION 24. INSTITUTING THE "WOMEN'S HUB" OR CRISIS CENTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN WHO ARE VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ABUSE.** The "Women's Hub", shall serve as crisis center for women and children who are victims of domestic violence: It shall be tasked to provide the following:

- a. To provide temporary shelter and basic services to abused children and women;
- b. To network with non-government organizations and government agencies for the provision of the needed medical, psycho-social and legal services necessary in restoring/building the self-esteem of its clients;
- c. To encourage and build the capacities of abused children and women to come into the open and pursue cases in court whenever they are ready.
- d. To provide life skills and livelihood training to abused children and women while in the center to enable them to be productive and as a form of therapy,
- e. To provide livelihood assistance and placement to abused children and women e. who are ready to be reintegrated with their families and communities;
- f. To conduct a pro-wide education and advocacy program aimed at raising public awareness on the evils of child abuse and domestic violence, and a massive information dissemination on the rights of children and women.

**SECTION 25. SUPERVISION AND FUNDING.** The said center shall be under the supervision and operation of the Department of social Welfare and Development of the



Municipality of Abuyog and to the Gender and Development Fund where it derives its support, operational needs and other budgetary requirements.

**SECTION 26. MONITORING, EVALUATION AND ASSISTING PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTHS.** Monitoring and Evaluation is essential for program and goal setting towards children welfare. This shall be the basis of fund allocation and further improvement of a particular program. Programs for early childhood stage and youth are as follows:

- a. The Municipal Government of Abuyog, Leyte shall endeavor to utilize and avail of alternative education program sponsored by the Bureau of Alternative Learning System of the Department of Education (Dep-Ed). Likewise, it shall pursue tie ups and partnerships with other private institutions that can and are willing to provide trainings, scholarship grants and other programs for the well-being of the out-of-school youths of Abuyog, including livelihood programs that will help them secure part time employment or allow them to venture into part time businesses which can help them sustain their education on their own.
- b. Subject to existing national laws governing education, labor and employment, the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte shall endeavor to constitute laws and precepts that will allow flexibility to working out-of-school youth (OSY) and provide a "work and study" environment conducive to the continuance of their education.
- c. Conduct of a yearly census that shall monitor the decrease or increase in the number of out-of school youths (OSY) in the communities and shall serve as database to determine appropriate programs that would benefit them.
- d. To avoid further incidence of unregistered births, the Civil Registry of the Municipality of Abuyog shall conduct a community outreach program or any activity at least twice a year to all barangays to inform, monitor and register all unregistered births of every child.
- e. Through the collective efforts of the Nutrition Council and Municipal Health Office, to conduct the necessary programs and activities such as computerized data banking, group charting, house to house interviews and the likes, in order to monitor and make sure that all children below 6 years of age are properly immunized and health records are well-kept and organized for future health reference of the child.

**SECTION 27. CREATION OF THE LOCAL COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN (LCPC).** The Municipality shall create a Local Council for the Protection of Children and coordinate with the Barangays in the creation and organization of the Barangay Council for the protection of Children (BCPC) at the Barangay level. This is in keeping with the mandate of the LGU to coordinate the formulation, implementation and enforcement of all policies, programs, and projects relative to the survival, development and protection of children of the Municipal Council.

The Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) shall ensure the effective implementation of the Philippine Government's commitment to the Convention on the Rights of the Child, World Declaration on the Survival, Development and Protection of Children, and the Child 21 Framework.

It shall plan and implement programs and services for children by virtue of the LGU's power and authority to plan and implement local socio-economic development plans, policies, and programs.

**SECTION 28. COMPOSITION AND FUNCTION OF THE LOCAL COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.**

- a. Members of the Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) shall include the following agencies/units or offices, and other agencies it deems important depending on the current specific situation/problems of the locality:

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1. The Municipal Mayor;
2. The Chairperson of the Sangguniang Bayan Committee on Women, Men, Children, and Family Affairs;
3. The Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator,
4. The Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer,
5. The Municipal Health Officer,
6. The Municipal Schools Division Superintendent;
7. The Municipal Prosecutor or the City Public Attorney's Office,
8. The President of the Municipal Federation of the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK);
9. Two (2) People's Council representatives;
10. One (1) child representative;
11. The President of the Liga ng mga Barangay (LNB);
12. A member of the Local Finance Committee; A representative of the Municipal Local Government Operations Officer of the Department of the Interior and Local Government DILG);
13. A representative of the Philippine National Police City Command;

b. The Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) shall have the following functions:

- I. To formulate the Municipal plan of action for children, incorporating projects and programs needing assistance submitted by their constituent Barangays; and ensure the integration of these plans into Municipal Development Plan;
- II. To review and integrate the Municipality program and projects needing assistance into the Municipality Comprehensive Program for Children;
- III. To monitor and evaluate the implementation of the Barangay and Municipal Plans and Program;
- IV. To submit quarterly status reports on the implementation of the Municipality. Comprehensive Program for Children through the Municipal Development Council (CDC):
- V. To recommend policies and programs to the MDC;
- VI. To provide the necessary technical assistance to the Municipal and Barangay Councils if called for,
- VII. To advocate for the passage of relevant child and youth protective ordinances;
- VIII. To advocate for increased support and resource allocation for children's programs and projects from city government and secure resources for the same other sources;
- IX. To provide technical assistance to the community-based frontline workers through the conduct of capability building and human resource development activities;
- X. To prepare contingency measures to protect children and their families in crisis brought about by the natural and human-made calamities; and
- XI. To identify and recommend programs and services to be contracted for implementation by NGO's and other entities in the implementation of this code.

c. **TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP.** The Technical Working Group shall act as the legwork of the Council in the data-gathering, monitoring, evaluation and coordination of programs to various related agencies and to the Members of the Council. It shall be headed by a Program Coordinator to be identified by the Council with the approval of the Chairman.

d. **INTERNAL RULES AND REGULATION OF THE LOCAL COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN (LCPC).** The Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) shall adopt its own Internal Rules of Procedures and Regulations to serve as guidelines for the Members in the discharge of their official functions



such as the organization's structure, parliamentary procedure, order of meeting and quorums, discipline and such other rules the Council may adopt.

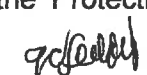
- e. OPERATIONAL BUDGET. An operational budget for the Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) shall be allocated from the Gender and Development Fund of the Municipality as mandated by Republic Act 7192.
- f. Secretariat support shall be provided by the Office of the Municipal Social Welfare and Development or any appropriate office. The secretariat shall be responsible for the documentation of proceedings of meetings and preparation of the reports and other necessary documents as needed by the Council

**SECTION 29. THE BARANGAY AND THE BARANGAY COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN (BCPC).** The Barangay Council shall create a Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC), the composition of which shall be determined by the former depending on the needs and circumstances in the area. The (BCPC) shall have the following functions:

- a. The functionality of every Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC) in all Barangays shall be strengthened.
- b. As spearheaded by the Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC), every Barangay shall advocate, support and uphold every right of the child.
- c. Shall allocate space for recreation and provide recreational facilities appropriate for children's gender and age in every Barangay.
- d. Every Barangay shall establish a Women-Children's Desk and appoint a qualified, child friendly and gender-sensitive officer knowledgeable in handling cases involving children.
- e. The Women-Children's Desk shall primarily, among any other, protect and assist abandoned, maltreated and abused children and facilitate their cases filed against abusers;
- f. In support of the socio-cultural development of children in Abuyog, Leyte, the Local Municipal Government shall invest in the protection of local children's literature or other relevant materials. Hence all Barangays shall create their respective public libraries or computer rooms for research and learning purposes. This shall be spearheaded and funded by the Sangguniang Kabataan or may be sourced out from different NGO's.
- g. To foster education and nutrition program for every child in the Barangay.
- h. To encourage the proper performance of the duties of parents and provide learning opportunities on the adequate rearing of children and on positive parent-child relationships.
- i. To advocate for the passage of a child-friendly barangay ordinances in response to child related issues and concerns;
- j. To prepare the barangay plans of action for children which address the needs of children in the community and ensure their integration into the Barangay Development Plan;

**SECTION 30. PARENTING-ORIENTATION COURSES.** Marriage license applicants shall be required to participate in a Parenting Orientation Courses I among other requirements, prior to the issuance of marriage license by the Municipal Civil Registrar's Office. This course becomes an integral part of existing Family Planning Seminar on Reproductive Health Course.

Parent applicants for birth certificate of the child shall also be required to participate in a Parenting Orientation Course II, as follow-up to the first course before issuance of Certificate of Live Birth by the Civil Registrar without prejudice to the early registration of birth re under existing laws. Modules on these courses shall be designed by the Abuyog, Leyte Council for the Protection of Children and the



Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office in close coordination with the Municipal Health Office and any existing NGO engaged in child-focused programs.

**SECTION 31. REFORMATION OF CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAWS.** Children who are involved in anti-social or related activities shall be registered in a reform program that shall assist in rebuilding themselves and reintegration into the mainstream of society. Those programs shall include the following:

- a. **MONITORING OF SUSPENDED CASES OF CHILDREN AND APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE.** Application for suspension on of sentences of children involved in anti-social activities shall be done by the Abuyog Municipal Council for the protection of children.
- b. A special team from said office shall monitor closely the cases involving children to adequately enforce the suspension or sentences. Appropriate and responsive rehabilitation program shall be accorded to them under the core of the Abuyog Municipal Council for the Protection of Children. The framework of assistance shall be designed by the said Council in close coordination with NGO's and professionals with special interests in children's rehabilitation.
- c. **APPOINTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILDR AND CHILD FRIENDLY POLICE PROCEDURES.** Each police precinct in Abuyog, Leyte shall have a Women and Children's Desk Officer to handle cases involving children. Child-friendly police procedures shall be implemented as contained in the Police Handbook on the management of cases of children in especially difficult circumstances. Each PNP element shall be provided a copy of the said handbook.
- d. **SPECIAL COURSE FOR PNP.** A special course for members of the Philippine National Police shall be designed to handle effectively children involved in anti-social activities. A team of PNP members shall take up the course-related section and other Child and Youth Relations Officers in each PNP detachment. Relevant activities shall be provided by the Abuyog Municipal Council for the Welfare of Children and Family Concerns in close coordination with the Philippine National Police Child Protection Team.
- e. The Abuyog, Leyte Bureau of Jail Management and Penology and Abuyog PNP Jail Warden shall designate a Special Home-Like Facility Exclusive for Children in Conflict with the Laws.

**SECTION 32. OTHER REHABILITATION, SUPPORT AND DIVERSION PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW.**

- a. The Municipality shall create a Youth Home that will serve as a venue for counseling, educating, and other diversion programs for children who are in conflict with the law.
- b. Reinforcing and strengthening the programs and activities of the DSWD and Abuyog Anti-drug Abuse Council (PADAC).

**CHAPTER VII  
DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR CHILDREN**

**SECTION 33.** The Abuyog Children's Development Plan was formulated through the collaborative involvements of major stakeholders in the Municipality, from the Municipal Government to Sectoral Representatives, non-governmental organizations and the youth with the vision of Abuyog as a child-friendly Municipality. This Development Plan for Children shall serve as a guiding instrument for further development of the

Code based on the varying needs and situations of children's condition in the Municipality of Abuyog.

**SECTION 34. INVESTMENT PLAN FOR CHILDREN.** The investment plan for Children shall be indicative of its source funding. Concerned agencies shall source out funding either from the local, national or private funds so as to maintain sustainability of children's programs. Every stakeholder shall undergo workshops and seminars to update the development plan with their corresponding funding need.

**CHAPTER VIII  
FINAL PROVISION**

**SECTION 35. RULES AND REGULATIONS.** Unless otherwise provided in this Ordinance, the Municipal Legal Office, in coordination with the Abuyog Municipal Council for the Welfare of Children and Family Concerns shall promulgate the rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Ordinance. Such rules and regulations shall take effect upon its publication in two (2) local newspapers of general circulation.

**SECTION 36. APPROPRIATIONS.** The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Ordinance shall be appropriated in the Municipal Annual Budget under the Gender and Development Fund as mandated by Section 27 of the General Appropriations Act and Republic Act 7192 otherwise known as the Women in Nation Building Act.

**SECTION 37. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If, for any reasons, any parts or provisions of this Code shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.


**SECTION 38. APPLICABILITY CLAUSE.** All other matters relating to the impositions or regulations provided in this Code shall be governed by the pertinent provisions of existing laws and other ordinances. This Code shall apply to all the people within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Abuyog, Province of Leyte and to all persons, who may be subject to the provisions of this code.

**SECTION 39. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All ordinances, resolutions, executive orders and other issuances which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Code are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 40. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its approval and publication to at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in Leyte and continuous display in the bulletin board of all the barangays in the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte.

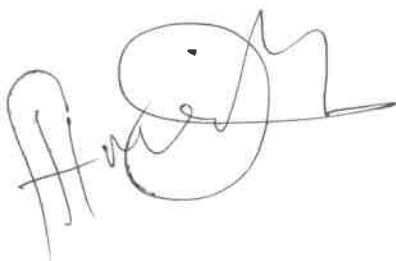
**Enacted:** This 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 2024.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

  
**ARSENIO Y. VILLOTE**  
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

**ATTESTED:**

  
**HON. JAMES L. BOHOL**  
Municipal Vice Mayor, Prsdg. Officer







**HON. JEANNETTE A. VALIDA**  
SB Member, Prsdg. Pro-tempore

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**HON. ERWIN V. BELLEZA**  
SB Member

**HON. DARIO P. LLEVE**  
SB Member/ ABC Fed. President

**HON. MELLIZA JANE C. TRAYA**  
SB Member/ SK Ped. Pres.

APPROVED:

**HON. LEMUEL GIN K. TRAYA**  
Municipal Mayor





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## Office of the Sangguniang Bayan

### CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that Ordinance No. 07, s. 2024 of the 19<sup>th</sup> Honorable Sangguniang Bayan of Abuyog, Leyte re: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ABUYOG CHILDREN'S CODE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF has been posted on May 08, 2024 in three (3) conspicuous and publicly accessible places of the municipality and remained posted until May 29, 2024 in compliance to Section 511, par (a), R.A. 7160, the Local Government Code of 1991.

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**ARSENIO Y. VILLOTE**  
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

ATTESTED:

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**HON. JAMES L. BOHOL**  
Municipal Vice Mayor



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### CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY that Public Hearing was jointly conducted by the Committee on Social Welfare Development and the Committee on Education, Culture and the Arts on April 24, 2024 at Putyukan San Abuyog, Municipal Compound, Abuyog, Leyte, 9:00 o'clock in the morning in compliance to the applicable provisions of R.A. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

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**ARSENIO Y. VILLOTE**  
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

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Enclosure:

1. Attendance Sheet
2. Minutes of Public Hearing



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MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ABUYOG CHILDREN'S CODE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF BY THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON WOMEN, FAMILY, SENIOR CITIZENS AND SOCIAL WELFARE DEVELOPMENT AND COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND DRAFT ORDINANCE GRANTING CASH INCENTIVES TO EXAMINEES WHO EXCELLED IN EITHER THE BAR OR BOARD EXAMINATION AND DECLARED TOPNOTCHERS BY EITHER THE SUPREME COURT OF THE PHILIPPINES OR THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATIONS COMMISSION RESPECTIVELY, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES HELD AT PUTYUKAN SAN ABUYOG, MUNICIPAL COMPOUND, ABUYOG, LEYTE ON APRIL 24, 2024.

**PRESENT:**

- |                               |   |  |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| HON. FRANCISCO B. LANDIA      | - | Sangguniang Bayan Member<br>Committee Chairman<br>Committee on Education, Culture<br>and The Arts  |
| HON. ARNOLD R. ALLERA         | - | Sangguniang Bayan Member<br>Committee Chairman,<br>Committee on Women, Family,<br>Senior Citizens and Social<br>Welfare Development<br>Committee Member<br>Committee on Education, Culture<br>and The Arts         |
| HON. JEANNETTE A. VALIDA      | - | Sangguniang Bayan Member<br>Committee Vice Chair<br>Committee on Women, Family,<br>Senior Citizens and Social<br>Welfare Development<br>Committee Vice Chairman<br>Committee on Education, Culture<br>and The Arts |
| HON. EDITHA C. DELOY          | - | SB Member, Member<br>Committee on Women, Family,<br>Senior Citizens and Social<br>Welfare Development  |
| HON. ANTONIO C. ALMENDRA, JR. | - | SB Member, Member<br>Committee on Human Rights   |

01. **SEC. VILLOTE:** Maupay nga aga sa aton nga tanan. Salamat san iyo  
02. pagbaton san surat nga ginpadara san iyo tagsa tagsa nga barangay. An aton

03. komitiba nga adi yana SB Committee on and Human Rights nga adi yana sa iyo  
04. atubangan. To start with I would like to acknowledge the presence of Chairman  
05. Committee on Social Welfare and Development, Honorable Allera, Honorable  
06. Landia, Honorable Valida and Honorable Almendra. Inin thank you for attending,  
07. and Brgy Kagawad sa tagsa tagsa nga brgy nga committee an aton MLGOO Sir  
08. Ivan good morning, Municipal Administrator Mam Nanan, maupay nga aga an aton  
09. MSWDO Mam Ruth maupay nga aga ngan an aton LYDO Sir Chamy. An aton  
10. pagbuhaton dinhi usa la ang tumong. Dida san series of session nagpasa si  
11. Konsehal Landia as the principal author pagtikang sin amendment san Child  
12. Welfare Code nga gin refer sa committee ni Konsehal Allera. Tama? So all you  
13. have to do is mamati kita sa presentation didi sa white screen, then take note  
14. siguro mayda niyo pangutana kay you will be given time, katema sini nga public  
15. hearing, tema na man an first reading ipapasa liwat ipapasa liwat ngadto sa  
16. plenaryo for second reading mag dedebate didto sa Sangguniang bayan katema  
17. siton comes out committee report from the committee concern to be calendar for  
18. third and final reading. After 10 days ipapasa ngadto kay Mayor pagpirma,  
19. pagpirma ni Mayor ipasa liwat sa Sangguniang Panlalawigan for review once  
20. declared valid and operative it becomes a Municipal Law. Okay, again maupay  
21. nga aga sa aton nga tanan, igbalik ko na kamo kay Konsehal Allera.

22. **HON. ALLERA:** Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Now this is to start the Public  
23. Hearing for the ordinance amending the Abuyog children's code and appropriating  
24. funds thereof which was referred to the joint committee of the social services last  
25. April 2 and the committee on Human Rights this proposed ordinance or the draft  
26. ordinance was authored by Honorable Francisco "Boy" Landia, who was also the  
27. author of the previous ordinance of this children's code, referred to the joint  
28. committee checked by this representation and the vice chairman Honorable  
29. Jeannette A. Valida of the social services and the member Honorable Editha C.  
30. Deloy and the chairman of committee on human rights is Honorable Pat-Pat Risos  
31. and the vice chairman Jun Almendra. So, to start this ordinance is entitled An

*Pat-Pat Risos*

*J. Almendra*

*Francisco Landia*

*Editha C. Deloy*

*Jeannette A. Valida*

32. ordinance amending the Abuyog children's code and appropriating funds thereof  
33. authored by Honorable Francisco B. Landia, we are very much willing to give the  
34. floor for the author of this ordinance the author Francisco B. Landia.

35. **HON. LANDIA:** Thank you, Honorable Allera. Good morning, everyone.  
36. allow me to, kada ordinansa mayda explanatory note. So for the explanatory note.

37. **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

38. **WHEREAS**, Ordinance (No. 01, Series of 2008, otherwise known as the  
39. Abuyog) Children's Code, was duly enacted on (January 29, 2008;)

40. **WHEREAS**, there is a need to update the said code to update and cater to  
41. the changes that were made to the Philippine National Strategic Framework for  
42. Plan Development for Children or CHILD 21;

43. **WHEREAS**, CHILD 21 is a strategic framework for planning programs and  
44. interventions that promote and safeguard the rights of Filipino children;

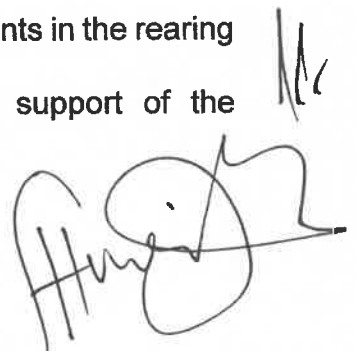
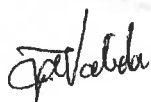
45. **WHEREAS**, CHILD 21 embodies the fulfillment and upholding the rights of  
46. the child in the four (4) aspects of a child's life, that are SURVIVAL,  
47. DEVELOPMENT, PROTECTION, AND PARTICIPATION;

48. **WHEREAS**, as mandated by Republic Act 7180 (Section 458 (5) XVI), the  
49. Sangguniang Bayan is empowered to provide care for abandoned minors, juvenile  
50. delinquents, abused children and other needy and disadvantaged persons,  
51. particularly children and the youth below eighteen years of age;

52. **WHEREAS**, every Local Government Unit has its own policy that would  
53. uphold the rights of children for survival, protection, participation and development;

54. **WHEREAS**, support mechanisms for child care and development from  
55. conception to adolescence stage must also be given top priority by the  
56. government;

57. **WHEREAS**, as stated in Presidential Decree 603 otherwise known as the  
58. "Child and Youth Welfare Code", the natural right and duty of parents in the rearing  
59. of the child for civic efficiency should receive the aid and support of the  
60. Government (Article 1 paragraph 5);



61.           **WHEREAS**, it is then imperative that the Municipal Government to adopt its  
62.       own program/s that would advocate the respect and care for the role of the family  
63.       as an essential and basic unit of society;

64.           **WHEREAS**, in order to achieve this goal and successfully carry out said  
65.       endeavor, the Abuyog Municipal Government, in partnership with other agencies  
66.       and non-government organizations, shall work rigidly to promote the welfare of its  
67.       young citizens and provide opportunities that would give them the chance to live a  
68.       productive and happy life;

69.           **HENCE**, this Ordinance.

70.           To start with, the title of the draft ordinance is This Ordinance shall be known  
71.       as the "Abuyog, Leyte Children's Code of 2024"

72.           **HON. ALLERA**: ah, nga tanan sa iyo pangutana, nian nala ha. I jot down  
73.       nala an isarapong niyo, mga amendment niyo, mga suggestion. Nian nala kay  
74.       basahon pa san aton author, an nga tanan niyo nga suggestion or pangutana may  
75.       microphone man niya dto nala niyo ipangutana ha para dire diretso kita.

76.           **HON LANDIA**: Thank you, Hon. Allera. An title sa Ordinance, - This  
77.       Ordinance shall be known as the "Abuyog, Leyte Children's Code of 2024". Adi na  
78.       nga tuig, an importante that this ordinance shall be in consonance with the  
79.       provisions and policies set by Republic Act 8980 or the ECCD LAW and other laws  
80.       on children specifically P.D. 603 as amended, otherwise known as "The Children  
81.       and Youth Welfare Code" "The Family Code of the Philippines", Republic Act 7610  
82.       (An Act Providing Strong Deterrence Against Child Abuse), Republic Act 7658 (An  
83.       Act Prohibiting the Employment of Children Below Fifteen Years of Age), Republic  
84.       Act 8369 (An Act Establishing Family Courts), Republic Act 9262 (violence against  
85.       Women and Children), Republic Act 9344 (An Act Establishing a Comprehensive  
86.       Juvenile Justice and Welfare System, Creating the Juvenile Justice and Welfare  
87.       Council). So, this is the kuan na ini self-explanatory na ini.

88.   **CHAPTER I.**

89.   **GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

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90.           **SECTION 1. TITLE** - This Ordinance shall be known as the "Abuyog, Leyte  
91. Children's Code of 2024.

92.           **SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY** - The Abuyog, Leyte  
93. Government hereby adopts and imposes policies and strategies that would  
94. establish and protect the rights of children. Their survival, protection, participation,  
95. and development are given preferential consideration in all of its government  
96. programs. The Municipal Government shall also endeavor to propagate the role of  
97. the family as the basic unit of society. It shall, likewise, work and establish strong  
98. partnerships with various private, non-government and people's organizations that  
99. are genuinely concerned, willing and capable to work for the welfare of the  
100. children.

101.           **SECTION 3. COVERAGE** - The provisions of this Ordinance shall govern  
102. all institutions, departments, offices, and agencies that are under the supervision  
103. of the Municipal Government of Abuyog, Leyte. It shall also govern, without  
104. prejudice to existing laws, all persons, entities, private, non-government/people's  
105. organizations that deal with children, their rights and any undertaking relative to a  
106. child's development, survival, protection and participation. This Ordinance shall be  
107. in consonance with the provisions and policies set by Republic Act 8980 or the  
108. ECCD LAW and other laws on children specifically P.D. 603 as amended,  
109. otherwise known as "The Children and Youth Welfare Code" and "The family Code  
110. of the Philippines", Republic Act 7610 (An Act Providing Strong Deterrence Against  
111. Child Abuse), Republic Act 7658 (An Act Prohibiting the Employment of Children  
112. Below Fifteen Years of Age), Republic Act 8369 (An Act Establishing Family  
113. Courts), Republic Act 9262 (violence against Women and Children), Republic Act  
114. 9344 (An Act Establishing a Comprehensive Juvenile Justice and Welfare System,  
115. Creating the Juvenile Justice and Welfare Council).

116.           **SECTION 4. DEFINITIONS OF TERMS.**

117.           a. **CHILD/CHILDREN** - shall refer to persons aged below eighteen (18) years  
118. or those over but not able to fully take care of themselves or protect themselves from



119. abuse, neglect, cruelty, exploitation, or discrimination because of a physical or mental  
120. disability or condition;

121. b. **SURVIVAL RIGHTS** - pertains to the right of child/children to be born in an  
122. adequate living standard and access to basic health services and social security.

123. c. **DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS** - pertains to the access of a child/children to  
124. good health, education, opportunities, access to relevant information, play, leisure, cultural  
125. activities and the right to freedom of thought and religion.

126. d. **PROTECTION RIGHTS** - pertains to the right to be free and protected from  
127. all forms of child abuse, exploitation, and discrimination;

128. e. **PARTICIPATION RIGHTS** - pertains to the right or freedom to express  
129. oneself in matters affecting his/her life as part of preparation for becoming a responsible  
130. citizen;

131. f. **CHILD ABUSE** - refers to maltreatment of the child/children, whether  
132. habitual or not, which includes any of the following:

133. 1. Psychological and physical abuse, such as neglect, cruelty,  
134. abandonment and other forms of abuses;
135. 2. Any act by deed or word which debases, degrades demeans the  
136. intrinsic worth and dignity of a child as a human being;
137. 3. Unreasonable deprivation of his/her basic needs of survival such as  
138. food and shelter;
139. 4. Failure to immediately give medical treatment to an injured child  
140. resulting to serious impairment of his/her growth and development or  
141. permanent incapacity or death.
142. 5. Circumstances which gravely threaten or endanger the survival and  
143. normal development of children which include but not limited to the  
144. following:

146. 5.a. Working under conditions hazardous to life, safety and  
147. morals which unduly interfere with their normal development or  
148. without provision for their education;

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149. 5.b. Living in or fending for themselves on the streets of  
150. urban and rural areas without the care of parents or guardian or any  
151. adult supervision needed for their welfare;

152. 5.c. Living under conditions of extreme poverty or in an area  
153. which is under developed and/or lacks or has inadequate access  
154. to basic services needed for a good quality of life;

155. 5.d. Being with family members or guardians having grave  
156. psychological problems enough for them to commit incest, siblings'  
157. rape, lascivious acts and other forms of physical and mental abuse;

158. 5.e. Being a victim of man-made or natural disaster or  
159. calamity;

160. 5.f. Being a victim of an illegal transnational or child  
161. trafficking;

162. 5.g. Circumstances analogous to those above-stated which  
163. endanger the life, safety or normal development of children.

163. g. **COMPREHENSIVE CHILDREN'S SUPPORT SYSTEMS ON**  
164. **CHILD ABUSE, EXPLOITATION AND DISCRIMINATION** - refers to the  
165. coordinated program of services facilities to protect children against: Child  
166. prostitution and other sexual abuse; Child trafficking; Obscene publications and  
167. indecent shows; Other acts of abuse; and Circumstances which threaten or  
168. endanger the survival and normal development of children or as prescribed by the  
169. UN Convention on the Rights of the Child;

170. h. **ANTI-SOCIAL RELATED ACTIVITIES** - are those acts against  
171. poverty, chastity and persons which include, but are not limited to the following:

172. h.1. Petty crimes such as snatching, shoplifting, misrepresentations;

173. h.2. Using and pushing prohibited drugs and other habit forming  
174. substances, selling illegal or lewd reading materials;

175. h.3. Pimping for sexual perversions, doing or participating in obscene  
176. shows or performances;

177. h.4. Gambling in any form;

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178. h.5. Rape and Incest; and  
179. h.6. Any other circumstances which are defined under other existing  
180. laws.

181. i. **CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW** - is a youthful offender  
182. who is over fifteen (15) years but under eighteen (18) years of age and acting with  
183. discernment at the time of the commission of the offense as provided under  
184. Republic Act 9344;

185. j. **HAZING** - an initiation rite being conducted as a pre-requisite for  
186. admission as member in a fraternity, sorority or organization by placing the recruit,  
187. neophyte or applicant in an embarrassing or humiliating situation such as forcing  
188. him/her to do mental unlikely and other similar tasks or activities or otherwise  
189. subjecting him/her to physical or psychological suffering or inquiry.

190. k. **SCHOOL HOURS** - refers to the time where elementary and high  
191. school students are supposed to be inside school premises.

192. l. **LOITERING** - staying in a particular place or commercial  
193. establishments like food chains, malls, etc. more than the usual or regular time  
194. needed to stay such places during school hours;

195. m. **ORGANIZATION, FRATERNITY, SORORITY, GANG**  
196. **ASSOCIATION** - shall be defined as an organization which engages in hazing as  
197. initiation rites which inflicts physical, psychological / mental harm to its members  
198. or others as a condition for acceptance in such an organization.

199. **CHAPTER II**

200. **PROTECTION RIGHTS OF CHILDREN**

201. **SECTION 5. PROTECTION AGAINST CHILD PROSTITUTION AND**  
202. **OTHER SEXUAL ABUSE.** any person/group or syndicate who, for money, profit  
203. or any other consideration shall coerce or influence children to indulge in sexual  
204. activities are considered engaged in exploitation of children through prostitution  
205. and other sexual abuse. The following shall be deemed engaged in exploitation of

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206. children through prostitution and other sexual abuse, and shall be penalized  
207. accordingly.

208. a. Those who engage in or promote, facilitate or induce child  
209. prostitution in the Municipality of Abuyog which includes, but are not limited to the  
210. following shall be imposed with the penalty prescribed in Section 5 of Republic Act  
211. 7610:

212. a.1. Acting as a procurer of a child prostitute by means of written or oral  
213. advertisements or other similar means;

214. a.2. Inducing a person to be a client of a child prostitute by means of written  
215. or oral advertisements or other similar means;

216. a.3. Entering into a relationship with, or taking advantage of a child as a  
217. prostitute;

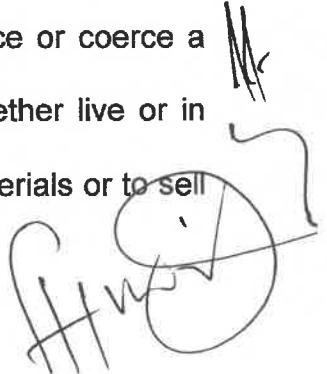
218. a.4. Threatening or using violence towards a child to engage him/her as a  
219. prostitute or a participant in indecent shows;

220. a.5. Giving monetary consideration, goods or other pecuniary benefit to a  
221. child with the intent to engage such child in prostitution.

222. b. Those who derive profit or advantage there from, whether as  
223. manager or owner of the establishment where the prostitution takes place, or of  
224. the sauna, disco bar, place of entertainment or establishment serving as a cover  
225. or which engages in prostitution in addition to the activity for which the licenses  
226. has been issued to said establishment.

227. c. Those who commit the act of sexual intercourse or lascivious  
228. conduct with a child exploited in prostitution or subject to sexual abuse. Provided  
229. that when the victim is under twelve (12) years of age, the offender shall be  
230. prosecuted under Article 266 of the Revised Penal Code as amended by Republic  
231. Act 8353, for the crime of rape.

232. d. Those who shall hire, employ, use, persuade, induce or coerce a  
233. child to perform in obscene exhibitions and indecent shows, whether live or in  
234. video, pose or model in obscene publications or pornographic materials or to sell



235. or distribute the said materials shall suffer the penalty provided under Section 9 of  
236. Republic Act 7610 (as amended) "Special Protection against Child Abuse  
237. Exploitation and Discrimination Act.

238. e. Ascendant, guardian or person entrusted in any capacity with care  
239. of a child who shall cause and/or allow such child to be employed or to participate  
240. in an obscene play, scene, act, movies or show or in any other obscene acts shall  
241. be penalized in accordance with Section 9 of Republic Act 7610.

242. f. **SECTION 6. PROTECTION AGAINST CHILD TRAFFICKING** - Any  
243. person who shall engage in trading and dealing with children including, but not  
244. limited to, the act of buying and selling of a child for money, or for any other  
245. consideration, or barter, shall suffer the penalty as prescribed in Article IV of  
246. Republic Act 7610.

247. An attempt to engage in Child Trafficking is committed under the  
248. guise of the following circumstances / situations and thereto should be punished  
249. accordingly:

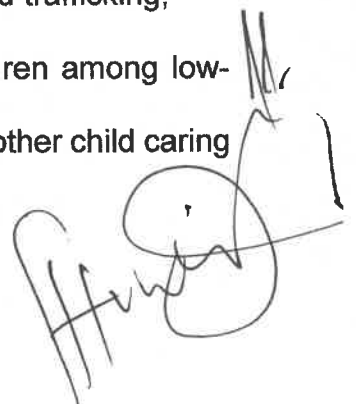
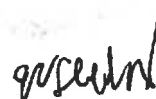
250. a. When a pregnant mother, father or guardian executes an affidavit of  
251. consent for adoption for a consideration or in any manner that causes the  
252. registration of the birth of such child in the name of another with or without  
253. consideration;

254. b. When a person, agency, establishment or child-caring institution  
255. recruits women or couples to bear children for the purpose of child trafficking;

256. c. When a doctor, hospital or clinic official or employee, nurse, midwife,  
257. local civil registrar or any other person simulates birth certificate for the purpose of  
258. child trafficking;

259. d. When a person, authority, agency or institution witnesses but fails or  
260. refuses to report any transactions or acts to circumstances in child trafficking;

261. e. When a person engages in the act of finding children among low-  
262. income families, hospitals, clinics, nurseries, day care centers or other child caring  
263. Institutions for the purpose of child trafficking.



264.           **SECTION 7. OBSCENCE PUBLICATIONS, INDECENT SHOWS AND X-**  
265. **RATED OR LEWD SHOWS.** Person/s who hire, employ, use, persuade or coerce  
266. a child to perform in obscene exhibitions and shows, whether live or in video, pose  
267. or model in obscene publications or pornographic materials shall suffer the penalty  
268. as prescribed in Section 9 of Republic Act 7610.

269.           **SECTION 8. OTHER ACTS/FORMS OF CHILD ABUSE, NEGLECT,**  
270. **CRUELTY OR EXPLOITATION AND OTHER CONDITIONS PREJUDICIAL TO**  
271. **A CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT.**

272.           a.     Any person who shall commit any other acts of child abuses, cruelty  
273. or exploitation or be responsible for other conditions prejudicial to the child's  
274. development including those covered by Article 59 of P.D. 603 as amended but  
275. not covered by the Revised Penal Code, as amended, shall suffer the penalty  
276. provided under Section 16 (a) of Republic Act 7610;

277.           b.     Any person who shall use, coerce, force or intimidate a street child  
278. or any other child to conduct any illegal activities shall suffer the penalty provided  
279. under Section 10 (e) of Republic Act 7610. The victim of the acts committed under  
280. this section shall be entrusted to the care of the local MSWD Officer.

281.           c.     Any forms of brutality committed against children by police  
282. authorities shall be penalized under the provisions of the Revised Penal Code,  
283. Republic Act 7610, and other existing laws without prejudice to the filing of the  
284. complaint before the People's Law Enforcement Board (PLEB).

285.           **SECTION 9. SANCTIONS ON ESTABLISHMENTS OR ENTERPRISES**  
286. **WHICH PROMOTE, FACILITATE, OR CONDUCT ACTIVITIES CONSTITUTING**  
287. **CHILD PROSTITUTION AND OTHER SEXUAL ABUSE, CHILD TRAFFICKING,**  
288. **OBSCENE PUBLICATIONS AND INDECENT SHOWS.**

289.           All establishments or enterprises which promote or facilitate child  
290. prostitution and sexual abuse, child trafficking, obscene publications and indecent  
291. shows and other acts of abuse shall be immediately closed/padlocked and their

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292. authority or license to operate shall be cancelled, without prejudice to the owner  
293. and/or manager thereof being prosecuted under existing laws.

294. Any person/s and/or business establishment/s or even owners of private  
295. dwellings that sell, facilitate, promote, publish, show or exhibits, manufacture or  
296. reproduce smut/pornographic/ bold pictures, magazines, books and any form of  
297. publications, videos in any form, illicit and lewd/obscene shows and/or x-rated  
298. movies to minors shall be subject to confiscation of obscene material/s and closure  
299. of establishment, without prejudice to their prosecution under other existing laws.

300. **SECTION 10. EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN.\**

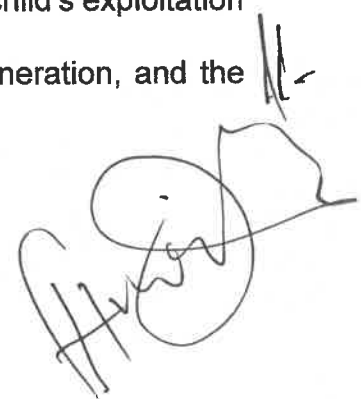
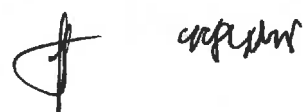
301. 1. Employment of children below fifteen (15) years of age shall not be  
302. allowed in the Municipality of Abuyog except:

303. a. When a child works directly under the sole responsibility of his  
304. parents or legal guardian and where only members of the employer's family are  
305. employed: Provided, however, that his employment neither endangers his life,  
306. safety, health and morals, nor impairs his normal development; Provided, further,  
307. that the parent or legal guardian shall provide the said minor child with the  
308. prescribed primary and/or secondary education; or

309. b. Where a child's employment or participation in public entertainment  
310. or information through cinema, theater, radio or television is essential: Provided:  
311. that employment contract is conducted by the child's parents or legal guardian,  
312. with the express agreement of the child concerned, if possible, and the approval  
313. of the Department of Labor and Employment; and Provided, that the following  
314. requirements in all instances are strictly complied with:

315. b.1. The employer shall ensure the protection, health, safety, morals and  
316. normal development of the child;

317. b.2 The employer shall institute measures to prevent the child's exploitation  
318. or discrimination taking into account system and level of remuneration, and the  
319. duration and arrangement of working time and;



320. b.3 The employer shall formulate and implement, subject to the approval  
321. and supervision of competent authorities, a continuing program for training and  
322. skills acquisition of the child.

323. c. The employer shall register the child employee with the Abuyog,  
324. Leyte Council for the Welfare of Children and Family Concerns and shall seek the  
325. approval of the Department of Labor and Employment and the local MSWD Officer  
326. to ensure that the benefits and protection measures shall be accorded to the child.

327. 2. No person or operator of transportation vehicle such as tricycles,  
328. jeepney, pedicabs and taxis shall employ or allow minors as driver thereof. Those  
329. who will violate this provision shall suffer the penalty under existing laws and  
330. cancellation of the Certificate of Public Convenience (franchise) to operate public  
331. transportation.

332. 3. No person shall employ a child to model in all forms of commercial  
333. or advertisements promoting alcoholic beverages, intoxicating drinks, tobacco and  
334. its by-product, junk foods and violence. Any person who shall violate any provision  
335. of this section shall suffer the penalty as prescribed in Section 16 of Republic Act  
336. 7610.

337. 4. Person/s who hire, employ, use, persuade or coerce a child to  
338. perform in obscene exhibitions and indecent shows, whether live or in video, pose  
339. or model in obscene publications or pornographic materials shall suffer the penalty  
340. as prescribed in Section 9 of Republic Act 7610.

341. 5. Any person/s who shall use, coerce, or force or intimidate a street  
342. child or any other child to beg or use begging as a means of living shall be  
343. penalized under Section 10 (e) of Republic Act 7610. Children found to be begging  
344. shall be rescued and brought to the custody of the Municipal Department of Social  
345. Welfare and Development Office for proper treatment and care while parents of  
346. these children will undergo counseling and responsible parenting formation.

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**CHAPTER III**

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**PROTECTION MEASURES ON MINORS**

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**SECTION 11. CURFEW ON MINORS.** For the protection of minors, they

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are prohibited from loitering in public places or moving outside their residences

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between the hours of 10:00 O'clock in the evening and 4:00 O'clock in the morning.

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Should there be a necessity for them to be outside their residences during curfew

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hours, they should be accompanied by their parent/s.

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Responsible elders or guardians, otherwise, they should secure a

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curfew pass as prescribed by Municipal Ordinance No. 12 s. 2006

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Offenders found to be under the influence of liquor or illegal drugs

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and/or is causing harm, alarm and scandal to himself or others shall be temporarily

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held under the custody of the Barangay until the child offender is sober, calms

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down and ready to be sent home. Concerned parent/s or guardians of the minor

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shall be immediately summoned before the Barangay Council for the Protection of

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Children (BCPC) for orientation and counseling.

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Eight (8) hours of community service with two (2) hours of lecture

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and counseling on parents' effectiveness shall be imposed on the child's

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parent/guardian found to have violated the Municipality Ordinance No. 12 s. 2006.

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**SECTION 12. LOITERING DURING SCHOOL HOURS.** Students or school

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children are banned from loitering in public places outside their school

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grounds/campuses during school hours unless they are accompanied by their

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parents/legal guardian or are attending an official school function or activity.

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Students and/or school children who will be caught loitering in public places

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outside their school grounds/campuses during school hours shall be sanctioned

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as follows:

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a. Seventy-two (72) hours of orientation on social concerns and

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community service and counseling.



375. b. Concerned parent or guardian shall be notified and be required to  
376. attend parent's orientation seminar and community service for seventy-two (72)  
377. hours in their respective barangays.

378. c. Concerned schools of students found loitering shall be immediately  
379. notified by the apprehending officers for its information and appropriate action.

380. Commercial Establishments which offer and promote vices such as  
381. but not limited to video arcades, bars, amusement centers, and gambling places  
382. to school children during school hours shall be subjected to closure/revocation of  
383. business permit and confiscation of their gadgets, equipment, machines and other  
384. paraphernalia.

385. **SECTION 13. FRATERNITIES AND GANGS.** No person shall force,  
386. coerce, bully or deceive any juvenile into joining any organization, fraternity,  
387. sorority, gang or association involved in unlawful activities or any deviant activities  
388. such as but not limited to vandalism, violence and sexual perversion. Any person  
389. who shall force, coerce or deceive any minor/juvenile into joining any organization,  
390. fraternity/sorority or gang within the campus or outside the school grounds shall  
391. be sanctioned with one (1) month of community service or twelve (12) months  
392. imprisonment or both without prejudice to his/her/their prosecution under Republic  
393. Act 8049.

394. Hazing or initiation rites are discourage, if not regulated, conforming  
395. with Republic Act 8049, an "Act Regulating Hazing and other Forms of Initiation  
396. Rites in Fraternities, Sororities and Other Organizations and providing Penalties  
397. Therefore"

398. **SECTION 14. SMOKING AND LIQUOR BAN ON MINORS.** It shall be  
399. unlawful for any person or establishment to sell liquor, cigarettes, and other  
400. tobacco products to minors within the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte. Violators shall  
401. be penalized as follows:

402. *1st Offense: Fine of Five Hundred Pesos (P500.00)*

403. *2nd Offense: Fine of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00)*



404. *3rd and Succeeding Offenses: One Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P1,*  
405. *500.00) and closure of business establishment and revocation of business*  
406. *permit.*

407. **SECTION 15. MINORS ARE BANNED FROM BUYING VOLATILE**  
408. **SUBSTANCES SUCH AS RUGBY (TOLUENE) AND OTHER SIMILAR**  
409. **SUBSTANCES DEFINED AND ENUMERATED UNDER SECTION 1 OF P.D.**  
410. **1619.** Any persons who sell or allows the selling of rugby (Toluene) and other habit  
411. inducing solvents to minors shall be penalized under Section 3 of P.D. 1619 and  
412. closure of the establishment selling the aforesaid substances to minors and  
413. revocation of its business permit.

414. **SECTION 16. MINORS ARE BANNED FROM ENGAGING IN ANY FORM**  
415. **OF GAMBLING.** Any person or establishment who allows minor/s to engage in  
416. any form of gambling shall be Penalized by revocation of their permit to operate  
417. without prejudice to their being prosecuted under P.D. 1602 as amended by  
418. Republic Act 9287.

419. Establishments authorized to operate lottery such as lotto and other  
420. games such as Bingo, Cockfighting, and Horse Racing (Off-Track) Betting stations  
421. are prohibited from accepting bets from minors. Violator/s shall be punished by  
422. closure of the establishment plus revocation of its business permit.

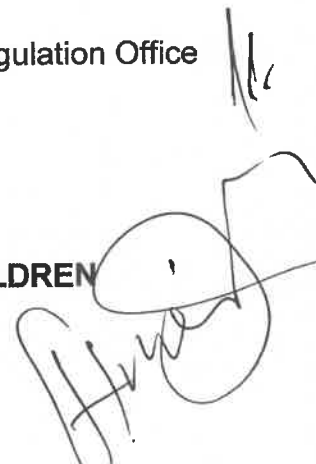
423. **SECTION 17. PROHIBITION ON TRICYCLE AND PEDICAB**  
424. **OVERLOADING UTILIZED AS SCHOOL SERVICE FOR CHILDREN.** As child's  
425. welfare and safety are the primary objectives of this ordinance, it is hereby  
426. prohibited the overloading of children passengers in tricycles and pedicabs or  
427. utilize such as school service for children. This practice endangers the lives of the  
428. students, the driver as well as ordinary passers-by. The said prohibited act shall  
429. be penalized accordingly by regulations set forth by the Tricycle Regulation Office  
430. and Traffic and Parking Management Office.

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#### CHAPTER IV

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#### SURVIVAL AND DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS OF CHILDREN

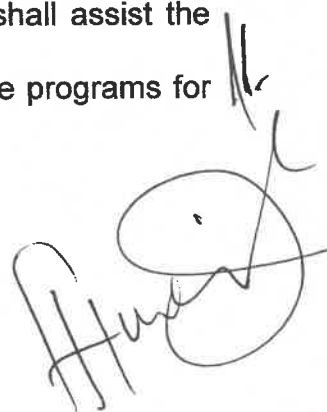


433.           **SECTION 18. EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM FRAMEWORKS.** The  
434. Local Municipal Government of Abuyog, Leyte shall ensure up to the maximum  
435. extent possible the survival and development of the child. The program on survival  
436. and development shall include the following:
437.           a.     Monitoring of registration of births and completion of the  
438. immunization series for prevention of tuberculosis, diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus,  
439. measles, poliomyelitis, and such other deceases for which vaccines have been  
440. developed for administration to children up to six (6) years of age;
441.           b.     Growth and nutritional monitoring with nutritional feeding and  
442. supervision of nutritional intake through community visitations of Barangay  
443. Nutrition Council (BNC) and Barangay Health Workers (BHW);
444.           c.     Material and Network of surrogate parents-teachers who will provide  
445. intellectual and mental stimulation to children, as well as supervised wholesome  
446. recreation, with a balanced program of supervised play, mentally-stimulating  
447. activities, and group activities with peers;
448.           d.     Working closely with non-government organizations (NGO'S) and  
449. private institutions which can provide or serve a sanctuary for abused, neglected  
450. or exploited children which will take in children in urgent need of protection due to  
451. a situation which endangers the child or which has exposed the child to cruelty and  
452. abuse;
453.           e.     A Reproductive Health Care Center for pregnant mothers for  
454. prenatal and neonatal care and, in the proper case, for delivery of the infant under  
455. conditions which will remove or minimize the risk to the mother and child;
456.           f.     Day Care Centers with adequate facilities shall be established in  
457. every Barangay- A Barangay Level network of assistance from the adults of the  
458. Barangays for the total development and protection of children shall assist the  
459. social workers and Day Care Center teachers in implementing the programs for  
460. the children.









461. **SECTION 19. PROMOTION OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE PROGRAM.**

462. The Barangay Health Centers shall implement the primary health program. Each  
463. Barangay Health Center shall have a Barangay Child Health Officer tasked to  
464. monitor child health in the Barangay level with a salary commensurate to the task  
465. assigned and in accordance with the standards of the Civil Service Commission.

466. The Municipal Health Officer of Abuyog, Leyte shall take the  
467. following appropriate measures:

468. a. To combat diseases and malnutrition within the framework of primary  
469. health care;

470. b. To establish a Comprehensive Parent's Orientation Development  
471. Program which includes courses on reproductive health, child health and child  
472. rearing practices, and family planning in the context of the Filipino psychology and  
473. culture;

474. c. To monitor the full implementation of Executive Order 51 otherwise  
475. known as the Milk Code of the Philippines, and advocate the prosecution of milk  
476. firms which violate the same;

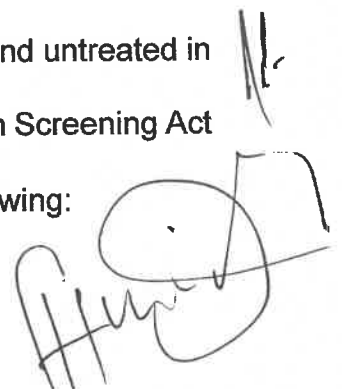
477. d. To conduct massive information and education on breastfeeding,  
478. utilizing existing materials for effective breastfeeding education program;

479. e. The Municipality shall advocate for the implementation of Nursing  
480. Stations within the workplace for both private and government establishments;

481. f. All health practitioners dealing with child health in government and  
482. private hospitals and other institutions shall be required to complete a  
483. Comprehensive Training Course in Child Health Care.

484. **SECTION 20. PROMOTION OF NEW BORN SCREENING PROGRAM.**

485. The Municipality shall implement a new born screening program to ensure that  
486. every newborn has access certain inheritable condition that can result to mental-  
487. handicap, serious health complications or death if left undetected and untreated in  
488. conformity with the provisions of Republic Act 9288 or the New born Screening Act  
489. of 2004. The program on newborn screening shall include the following:



490. a. All children born in public and private lying-in clinics, public and  
491. private hospitals and homes must undergo newborn screening test within the first  
492. forty-eight (48) hours after birth, but not later than three (3) days from the complete  
493. delivery of the newborn.

494. b. The administration of the New Born Screening Test to babies whose  
495. parents are indigent residents of the Municipality and born at the Abuyog Rural  
496. Health Unit, or in any lying-ins and health centers of the Municipality shall be given  
497. for free, upon presentation of a Family Access Card a Certification from the Local  
498. MSWD of their indigency.

499. c. All Children of Abuyog, Leyte residents who are born outside of the  
500. Municipality must also undergo a new born screening test.

501. d. Any health practitioner in the Municipality of Abuyog who delivers  
502. and assists in the delivery, of a new born shall, prior to deliver, inform the parents  
503. or legal guardian of the newborn of the availability, nature and benefits of new born  
504. screening.

505. e. The Municipality Health Department shall conduct continuing  
506. information, education, re-education and training program for health personnel on  
507. the rational, benefits, procedures of new born screening.

508. f. Any parent or legal guardian who refuses to subject their newborn to  
509. a screening on a valid or religious ground and belief shall acknowledge in writing  
510. their understanding and refusal for testing will prevent early detection of child's  
511. disability that may manifest on onset of the developmental age of the child. A copy  
512. of this refusal documentation shall be made part of the new born child's medical  
513. record, and said refusal shall be indicated in the National New Born Screening  
514. Database.

515. g. The amount of Three Million Pesos (P3,000,000.00) shall be set  
516. aside in the Budget Appropriation of the Municipality annually to be spent in the  
517. implementation of New Born Screening Program.

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**CHAPTER V**

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**PARTICIPATION RIGHTS OF CHILDREN**

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**SECTION 21. PARTICIPATION OF CHILDREN IN DECISION-MAKING**

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**PROCESSES.** Article 12 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child states that

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children have the right to participate in decision making processes that may be

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relevant in their lives and to influence decisions taken in their regard within the

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family, the school or the community. It shall be the responsibilities of adults

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especially that in the local governance to provide opportunities and venue for

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children to express their views or ideas on matters concerning their development

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and welfare. In this regard, the local government offices involved in policy

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formulation are mandated to ensure that the children sectors are properly

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represented during deliberations, consultations and formulation of policies relevant

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to children's development and welfare.

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**SECTION 22. STATE OF THE CHILDREN'S REPORT.** As embodied in

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Article 12 paragraph 2 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, Children's

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Congress or the State of the Children's Report shall be an avenue for Children to

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be heard and be assessed of all children related policies and programs done by

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the Municipality.

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Every NGO's concerned with Children shall be instrumental in the

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process of the preparation and evaluation of the Convention. It shall be held every

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November during the celebration of Children's month.

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**CHAPTER VI**

540.

**REHABILITATION AND SUPPORT SYSTEM**

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**SECTION 23. INSTITUTING THE "WOMEN'S HUB" OR CRISIS CENTER**

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**FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN WHO ARE VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

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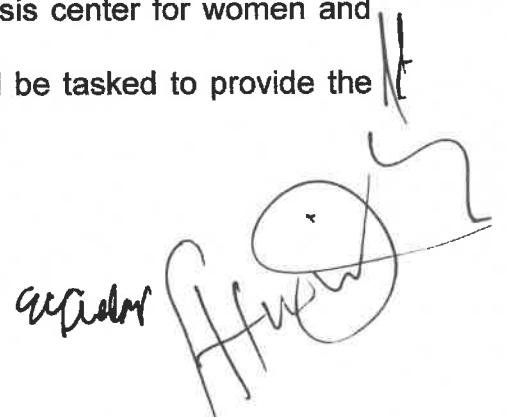
**AND ABUSE.** The "Women's Hub", shall serve as crisis center for women and

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children who are victims of domestic violence: It shall be tasked to provide the

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following:



546. a. To provide temporary shelter and basic services to abused children  
547. and women;

548. b. To network with non-government organizations and government  
549. agencies for the provision of the needed medical, psycho-social and legal services  
550. necessary in restoring/building the self-esteem of its clients;

551. c. To encourage and build the capacities of abused children and  
552. women to come into the open and pursue cases in court whenever they are ready.

553. d. To provide life skills and livelihood training to abused children and  
554. women while in the center to enable them to be productive and as a form of  
555. therapy,

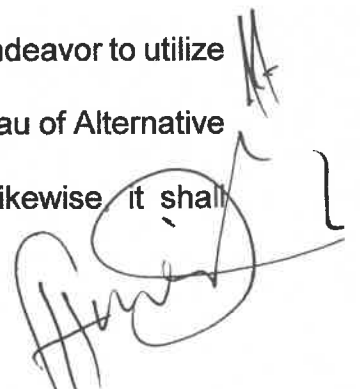
556. e. To provide livelihood assistance and placement to abused children  
557. and women e. who are ready to be reintegrated with their families and  
558. communities;

559. f. To conduct a pro-wide education and advocacy program aimed at  
560. raising public awareness on the evils of child abuse and domestic violence, and a  
561. massive information dissemination on the rights of children and women.

562. **SECTION 24. SUPERVISION AND FUNDING.** The said center shall be  
563. under the supervision and operation of the Municipal of social Welfare and  
564. Development of the Municipality of Abuyog and to the Gender and Development  
565. Fund where it derives its support, operational needs and other budgetary  
566. requirements.

567. **SECTION 25. MONITORING, EVALUATION AND ASSISTING**  
568. **PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTHS.** Monitoring  
569. and Evaluation is essential for program and goal setting towards children welfare.  
570. This shall be the basis of fund allocation and further improvement of a particular  
571. program. Programs for early childhood stage and youth are as follows:

572. a. The Municipal Government of Abuyog, Leyte shall endeavor to utilize  
573. and avail of alternative education program sponsored by the Bureau of Alternative  
574. Learning System of the Department of Education (Dep-Ed). Likewise it shall



575. pursue tie ups and partnerships with other private institutions that can and are  
576. willing to provide trainings, scholarship grants and other programs for the well-  
577. being of the out-of-school youths of Abuyog, including livelihood programs that will  
578. help them secure part time employment or allow them to venture into part time  
579. businesses which can help them sustain their education on their own.

580.         b.       Subject to existing national laws governing education, labor and  
581. employment, the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte shall endeavor to constitute laws  
582. and precepts that will allow flexibility to working out-of-school youth (OSY) and  
583. provide a "work and study" environment conducive to the continuance of their  
584. education.

585.         c.       Conduct of a yearly census that shall monitor the decrease or  
586. increase in the number of out-of school youths (OSY) in the communities and shall  
587. serve as data-base to determine appropriate programs that would benefit them.

588.         d.       To avoid further incidence of unregistered births, the Civil Registry of  
589. the Municipality of Abuyog shall conduct a community outreach program or any  
590. activity at least twice a year to all barangays to inform, monitor and register all  
591. unregistered births of every child.

592.         e.       Through the collective efforts of the Nutrition Council and Municipal  
593. Health Office, to conduct the necessary programs and activities such as  
594. computerized data banking, group charting, house to house interviews and the  
595. likes, in order to monitor and make sure that all children below 6 years of age are  
596. properly immunized and health records are well-kept and organized for future  
597. health reference of the child.

598.         **SECTION 26. CREATION OF THE LOCAL COUNCIL FOR THE**  
599. **PROTECTION OF CHILDREN (LCPC).** The Municipality shall create a Local  
600. Council for the Protection of Children and coordinate with the Barangays in the  
601. creation and organization of the Barangay Council for the protection of Children  
602. (BCPC) at the Barangay level. This is in keeping with the mandate of the LGU to  
603. coordinate the formulation, implementation and enforcement of all policies,

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604. programs, and projects relative to the survival, development and protection of  
605. children of the Municipal Council.

606. The Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) shall ensure  
607. the effective implementation of the Philippine Government's commitment to the  
608. Convention on the Rights of the Child, World Declaration on the Survival,  
609. Development and Protection of Children, and the Child 21 Framework.

610. It shall plan and implement programs and services for children by  
611. virtue of the LGU's power and authority to plan and implement local socio-  
612. economic development plans, policies, and programs.

613. **SECTION 27. COMPOSITION AND FUNCTION OF THE LOCAL**  
614. **COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.**

615. a. Members of the Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC)  
616. shall include the following agencies/units or offices, and other agencies it deems  
617. important depending on the current specific situation/problems of the locality:

618. 1. The Municipal Mayor;
619. 2. The Chairperson of the Sangguniang Bayan Committee on Women,  
620. Men, Children, and Family Affairs;
621. 3. The Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator,
622. 4. The Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer,
623. 5. The Municipal Health Officer,
624. 6. The Municipal Schools Division Superintendent;
625. 7. The Municipal Prosecutor or the City Public Attorney's Office,
626. 8. The President of the Municipal Federation of the Sangguniang  
627. Kabataan (SK);
628. 9. Two (2) People's Council representatives;
629. 10. One (1) child representative;
630. 11. The President of the Liga ng mga Barangay (LNB);

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631.           12.    A member of the Local Finance Committee; A representative of the  
632.   Municipal Local Government Operations Officer of the Department of the Interior  
633.   and Local Government DILG);
634.           13.    A representative of the Philippine National Police City Command;
635.           b.    The Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) shall have  
636.   the following functions:
637.           I.     To formulate the Municipal plan of action for children, incorporating  
638.   projects and programs needing assistance submitted by their constituent  
639.   Barangays; and ensure the integration of these plans into Municipal Development  
640.   Plan;
641.           II.    To review and integrate the Municipality program and projects  
642.   needing assistance into the Municipality Comprehensive Program for Children;
643.           III.   To monitor and evaluate the implementation of the Barangay and  
644.   Municipal Plans and Program;
645.           IV.    To submit quarterly status reports on the implementation of the  
646.   Municipality. Comprehensive Program for Children through the Municipal  
647.   Development Council (MDC):
648.           V.     To recommend policies and programs to the MDC;
649.           VI.    To provide the necessary technical assistance to the Municipal and  
650.   Barangay Councils if called for,
651.           VII.   To advocate for the passage of relevant child and youth protective  
652.   ordinances;
653.           VIII.   To advocate for increased support and resource allocation for  
654.   children's programs and projects from city government and secure resources for  
655.   the same other sources;
656.           IX.    To provide technical assistance to the community-based frontline  
657.   workers through the conduct of capability building and human resource  
658.   development activities;

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659. X. To prepare contingency measures to protect children and their  
660. families in crisis brought about by the natural and human-made calamities; and

661. XI. To identify and recommend programs and services to be contracted  
662. for implementation by NGO's and other entities in the implementation of this code.

663. c. TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP. The Technical Working Group  
664. shall act as the legwork of the Council in the data-gathering, monitoring, evaluation  
665. and coordination of programs to various related agencies and to the Members of  
666. the Council. It shall be headed by a Program Coordinator to be identified by the  
667. Council with the approval of the Chairman.

668. d. INTERNAL RULES AND REGULATION OF THE LOCAL COUNCIL  
669. FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN (LCPC). The Local Council for the  
670. Protection of Children (LCPC) shall adopt its own Internal Rules of Procedures and  
671. Regulations to serve as guidelines for the Members in the discharge of their official  
672. functions such as the organization's structure, parliamentary procedure, order of  
673. meeting and quorums, discipline and such other rules the Council may adopt.

674. e. OPERATIONAL BUDGET. An operational budget for the Local  
675. Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) shall be allocated from the Gender  
676. and Development Fund of the Municipality as mandated by Republic Act 7192.

677. f. Secretariat support shall be provided by the Office of the Municipal  
678. Social Welfare and Development or any appropriate office. The secretariat shall  
679. be responsible for the documentation of proceedings of meetings and preparation  
680. of the reports and other necessary documents as needed by the Council

681. **SECTION 28. THE BARANGAY AND THE BARANGAY COUNCIL FOR**  
682. **THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN (BCPC).** The Barangay Council shall create  
683. a Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC), the composition of  
684. which shall be determined by the former depending on the needs and  
685. circumstances in the area. The (BCPC) shall have the following functions:

686. a. The functionality of every Barangay Council for the Protection of  
687. Children (BCPC) in all Barangays shall be strengthened.

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688. b. As spearheaded by the Barangay Council for the Protection of  
689. Children (BCPC), every Barangay shall advocate, support and uphold every right  
690. of the child.

691. c. Shall allocate space for recreation and provide recreational facilities  
692. appropriate for children's gender and age in every Barangay.

693. d. Every Barangay shall establish a Women-Children's Desk and  
694. appoint a qualified, child friendly and gender-sensitive officer knowledgeable in  
695. handling cases involving children.

696. The Women-Children Is Desk shall primarily, among any other, protect and  
697. assist abandoned, maltreated and abused children and facilitate their cases filed  
698. against abusers;

699. e. In support of the socio-cultural development of children in Abuyog,  
700. Leyte, the Local Municipal Government shall invest in the protection of local  
701. children's literature o other relevant materials. Hence all Barangays shall create  
702. their respective public libraries or computer rooms for research and learning  
703. purposes. This shall be spearheaded and funded by the Sangguniang Kabataan  
704. or may be sourced out from different NGO's.

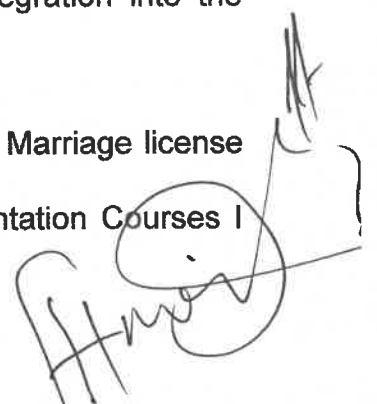
705. f. To foster education and nutrition program for every child in the  
706. Barangay.

707. g. To encourage the proper performance of the duties of parents and  
708. provide learning opportunities on the adequate rearing of children and on positive  
709. parent-child relationships.

710. h. To advocate for the passage of a child-friendly barangay ordinances  
711. in response to child related issues and concerns;

712. i. To prepare the barangay plans of action for children which address  
713. the needs of children in the community and ensure their integration into the  
714. Barangay Development Plan;

715. **SECTION 29. PARENTING-ORIENTATION COURSES.** Marriage license  
716. applicants shall be required to participate in a Parenting Orientation Courses I



717. among other requirements, prior to the issuance of marriage license by the  
718. Municipal Civil Registrar's Office. This course becomes an integral part of existing  
719. Family Planning Seminar on Reproductive Health Course.

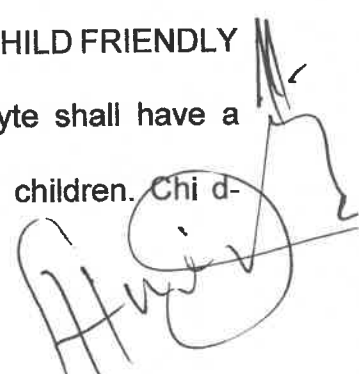
720. Parent applicants for birth certificate of the child shall also be  
721. required to participate in a Parenting Orientation Course II, as follow-up to the first  
722. course before issuance of Certificate of Live Birth by the Civil Registrar without  
723. prejudice to the early registration of birth re under existing laws. Modules on these  
724. courses shall be designed by the Abuyog, Leyte Council for the Protection of  
725. Children and the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office in close  
726. coordination with the Municipal Health Office and any existing NGO engaged in  
727. child-focused programs.

728. **SECTION 30. REFORMATION OF CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE**  
729. **LAWS.** Children who are involved in anti-social or related activities shall be  
730. registered in a reform program that shall assist in rebuilding themselves and  
731. reintegration into the mainstream of society. Those programs shall include the  
732. following:

733. a. **MONITORING OF SUSPENDED CASES OF CHILDREN AND**  
734. **APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE.** Application for suspension on of sentences of  
735. children involved in anti-social activities shall be done by the Abuyog Municipal  
736. Council for the protection of children.

737. b. A special team from said office shall monitor closely the cases  
738. involving children to adequately enforce the suspension or sentences. Appropriate  
739. and responsive rehabilitation program shall be accorded to them under the core of  
740. the Abuyog Municipal Council for the Protection of Children. The framework of  
741. assistance shall be designed by the said Council in close coordination with NGO's  
742. and professionals with special interests in children's rehabilitation.

743. c. **APPOINTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILDR AND CHILD FRIENDLY**  
744. **POLICE PROCEDURES.** Each police precinct in Abuyog, Leyte shall have a  
745. Women and Children's Desk Officer to handle cases involving children. Chi d-



746. friendly police procedures shall be implemented as contained in the Police  
747. Handbook on the management of cases of children in especially difficult  
748. circumstances. Each PNP element shall be provided a copy of the said handbook.

749. d. SPECIAL COURSE FOR PNP. A special course for members of the  
750. Philippine National Police shall be designed to handle effectively children involved  
751. in anti-social activities. A team of PNP members shall take up the course-related  
752. section and other Child and Youth Relations Officers in each PNP detachment.  
753. Relevant activities shall be provided by the Abuyog Municipal Council for the  
754. Welfare of Children and Family Concerns in close coordination with the Philippine  
755. National Police Child Protection Team.

756. e. The Abuyog, Leyte Bureau of Jail Management and Penology and  
757. Abuyog PNP Jail Warden shall designate a Special Home-Like Facility Exclusive  
758. for Children in Conflict with the Laws.

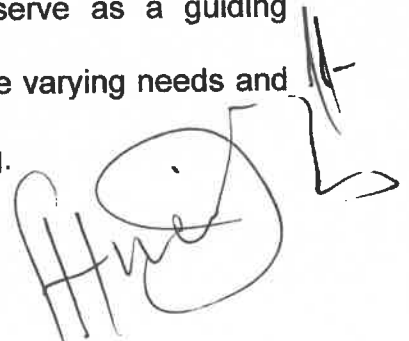
759. **SECTION 31. OTHER REHABILITATION, SUPPORT AND DIVERSION**  
760. **PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW.**

761. a. The Municipality shall create a Youth Home that will serve as a venue  
762. for counseling, educating, and other diversion programs for children who are in  
763. conflict with the law.

764. b. Reinforcing and strengthening the programs and activities of the  
765. MSWD and Abuyog Anti-drug Abuse Council (AADAC).

766. **CHAPTER VII**  
767. **DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR CHILDREN**

768. **SECTION 32.** The Abuyog Children's Development Plan was formulated  
769. through the collaborative involvements of major stakeholders in the Municipality,  
770. from the Municipal Government to Sectoral Representatives, non-governmental  
771. organizations and the youth with the vision of Abuyog as a child-friendly  
772. Municipality. This Development Plan for Children shall serve as a guiding  
773. instrument for further development of the Code based on the varying needs and  
774. situations of children's condition in the Municipality of Abuyog.



775. **SECTION 33. INVESTMENT PLAN FOR CHILDREN.** The investment plan  
776. for Children shall be indicative of its source funding. Concerned agencies shall  
777. source out funding either from the local, national or private funds so as to maintain  
778. sustainability of children's programs. Every stakeholder shall undergo workshops  
779. and seminars to update the development plan with their corresponding funding  
780. need.

781. **CHAPTER VIII**

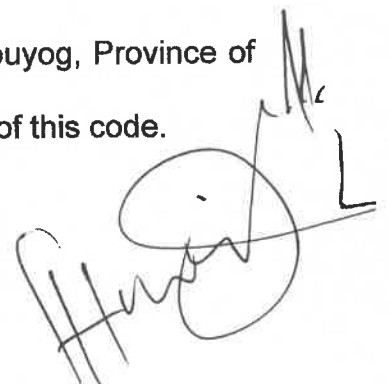
782. **FINAL PROVISION**

783. **SECTION 34. RULES AND REGULATIONS.** Unless otherwise provided in  
784. this Ordinance, the Municipal Legal Office, in coordination with the Abuyog  
785. Municipal Council for the Welfare of Children and Family Concerns shall  
786. promulgate the rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this  
787. Ordinance. Such rules and regulations shall take effect upon its publication in two  
788. (2) local newspapers of general circulation.

789. **SECTION 35. APPROPRIATIONS.** The amount necessary to carry out the  
790. provisions of this Ordinance shall be appropriated in the Municipal Annual Budget  
791. under the Gender and Development Fund as mandated by Section 27 of the  
792. General Appropriations Act and Republic Act 7192 otherwise known as the  
793. Women in Nation Building Act.

794. **SECTION 36. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If, for any reasons, any parts or  
795. provisions of this Code shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other parts  
796. or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force  
797. and effect.

798. **SECTION 37. APPLICABILITY CLAUSE.** All other matters relating to the  
799. impositions or regulations provided in this Code shall be governed by the pertinent  
800. provisions of existing laws and other ordinances. This Code shall apply to all the  
801. people within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Abuyog, Province of  
802. Leyte and to all persons, who may be subject to the provisions of this code.



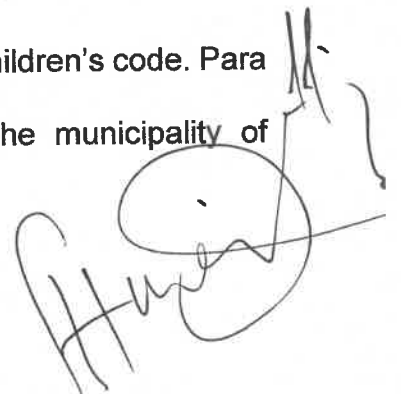
803.           **SECTION 38. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All ordinances, resolutions,  
804. executive orders and other issuances which are inconsistent with any of the  
805. provisions of this Code are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

806.           **SECTION 39. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** This Ordinance shall take effect  
807. fifteen (15) days after its approval and publication to at least once in a newspaper  
808. of general circulation in Leyte and continuous display in the bulletin board of all the  
809. barangays in the Municipality of Abuyog, Leyte.

810.                         Thank you and good morning.

811.           **HON. ALLERA:** Okay that will be all for this draft ordinance authored by  
812. Honorable Francisco B. Landia, any suggestion or any question regarding this  
813. ordinance. An aton DILG officer, Sir Ivan.

814.           **SIR IVAN:** Good morning, Honorable Allera. Thank you for the opportunity  
815. that was given to us to participate in the formulation of the amendment of Children's  
816. Code of our municipality. If I may, I would like to suggest as well as to purpose of  
817. national laws for the inclusion to our children's code of the municipality of Abuyog  
818. and comprehensive nutrition program for children as well...provision of  
819. juvenile...mandatory rule barangay... barangay 3 to 4 years old... papa-implement  
820. nat sa children's code. Mandatory establishment of recreational facility, na  
821. kinanghalan... waray nira place na pagmumulayan... kung may minor's  
822. unaccompanied... another is kainang pampampaliya, makapag prepare san  
823. pagkaon nira. an aton mga adults... children... RA 10666 emergency situation  
824. Children's Safety on Motorcycles Act...national mental health policy I would like to  
825. distinguish children pag hahandle sa mga medyo may mga kulang an ira mental  
826. capacity. Masustansyang pagkain para sa batang Pilipino RA 11037,  
827. comprehensive nutrition program under child development... special protection  
828. against child abuse... mga kabugtuan... proteksyon han mga bata. That's all. I can  
829. also provide a list of this so that we can incorporate han aton children's code. Para  
830. maging comprehensive thru han aton children's code of the municipality of  
831. Abuyog. Thank you.





832. **HON. ALLERA:** Okay, thank you han aton DILG Officer for your suggestion.  
833. Please submit your proposal to the SB Secretary and the committee will study first  
834. your recommendation during our deliberation in the period of amendment we have  
835. to recommend that if possible to the plenary and the author kun sumugot ba siya  
836. o diri so the committee ma-request kami sa amon author kun okay la ba siya na  
837. isingit an imo recommendation. But before that the committee will study first kun  
838. angayan ba o diri, next session we will submit this for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading para deliberation,  
839. para sa sunod na session for 3<sup>rd</sup> reading na para madali matema ini dayon ini nga  
840. aton ordinansa. Thank you very much i-submit ha, alayon pag submit. Any other  
841. suggestion or question or manifestation or queries or clarifications gikan sa iyo nga  
842. tanan. Waray na? Sa mga social services ayaw kabaraka pag na approve ini sa  
843. Sangguniang Panlalawigan, tagaan ko kamo sin kopya. Diri pa man ini final, i-  
844. submit pa ini sa plenary for deliberation. May ada sini penalty i-publish pa ini sa  
845. newspaper sa local circulation before an implementation. Basta mayda ngani  
846. penalties na provision ibutang ta pa ini sa... after public hearing ka approve sa SB,  
847. papirmahan sa Mayor good as approved iton pero diri kita maka-implement  
848. kinahanglan anay ma-post in local circulation for at least 10 days ugsa  
849. implementation. Makuan ngani anytime pwede na kita maghatag sa final na  
850. ordinansa na. kay kung waray la penalty, pwede la kuan, kung charges and fees  
851. la ini pwede iton diri na. So any other clarifications or queries mga pangutana kay  
852. kun waray na aton na ini temahon. I-adjourn, pero mayda naton ordinansa na  
853. authored by Honorable Jeannette Valida, mga 10 – 15 mins la ini kay ini naman  
854. public hearing i-diretso nala, so after sini anhi na maniudto. So, kun waray na  
855. pakiana, okay na? Sige.

856. **BRGY. SECRETARY:** Good morning, I am the Brgy. Secretary of Brgy.  
857. Balinsasayao. Pagkaintindi ko didto sa ordinansa, are we the barangay have also  
858. funds for this?

859. **HON. ALLERA:** Pwede ang barangay maghimo, pwede ngani i-adapt an  
860. ordinansa san local. So kung mayda mga penalties dida ayaw la pagtupunga..For

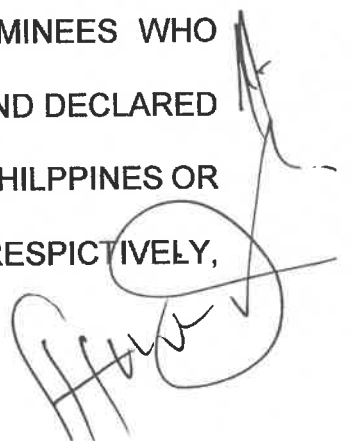
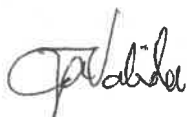
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861. example ano, iyo iton i-adapt an penalties signgon ta 5000 an nhibutang dida. So  
862. pwede la niyo, kay an barangay up to 2500 an penalty an iyo maximum, pwede sa  
863. 1<sup>st</sup> offense 1000 pesos, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense 2000, an maximum 2500 pesos nga pwede an  
864. barangay sin penalty ayaw kamo pagpasobra siton. Sobra siton diri na pwede so  
865. kung mag appropriate kamo sin pondo pwede kamo ubos ubos la an iyo pondo  
866. dida siton nahimo nga ordinansa. Studyohi nala niyo iton kay anytime pwede niyo  
867. mai-implement, bisan diri maghimo iyo, i-adapt iton kamo mismo sa brgy. an  
868. mismo mag implement siton pinaagi sa ordinansa san munisipyo. Anytime pwede  
869. na kamo pag na approve na iton pwede niyo i-implement mismo iton diri na i-adapt  
870. sa Sangguniang Barangay. Tapos an problema la didi sa penalty igkadi niyo sa  
871. munisipyo pag mayda kuan, an ako sadto nga kun i-adapt niyo kamo it magbuot  
872. sa iyo an penalty na mabayad amo iton nga pag-adapt san ordinansa. Ada gihap  
873. nakabutang an Brgy. Children's Council nga magkuan kamo obligado kamo  
874. pinaagi san ordinansa, obligado kamo magcreate siton nga kuan, so amo it ma  
875. implement sira. Kada brgy kamo na mag-implement ada iton sa ordinansa. Any  
876. other questions? Clarifications? So, waray na. Sige, thank you very much. In behalf  
877. of the committee of social services development, and the committee of human  
878. rights chaired by Honorable Pat Pat Risos, Vice Chair of social services of  
879. Jeannette A. Valida, member Honorable Editha Deloy, Vice chair of human rights  
880. Honorable Jun Almendra, especially to the author Honorable Francisco Boy  
881. Landia. Sa iyo nga tanan, damo nga salamat san iyo pag attender sini nga public.  
882. Hearing. The public hearing is now adjourned. Thank you very much. Ipadayon ta  
883. la ini ako nala mag emcee gihap, an aton adi kuan isingit sini nga public hearing  
884. an title sa draft ordinance authored by Hon. Francisco B. Landia, Chairman  
885. committee on education, culture and the arts. An title sini nga draft ordinance is  
886. "AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CASH INCENTIVES TO EXAMINEES WHO  
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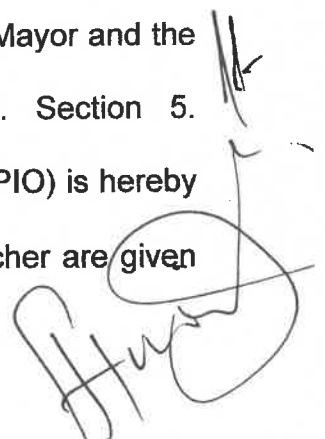
890. PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” amo it title so  
891. para pagpadayon, ighatag ko kamo san aton author, chairman on education,  
892. Honorable Francisco B. Landia.

893. **HON. LANDIA:** Good Morning sa aton nga tanan. May ada la ako gin  
894. propose didi sa konseho nga ordinansa. Kadali lang ini siya kay naghatag la ini sin  
895. incentives para san mga Abuyognon nga nakapasar ngan naging top notcher sin  
896. exam sa Bar or sa Board Examinations. So, aton basahon ini nga ordinansa para  
897. makahibaro kamo ngan maipasabot sa iyo nga mulupyo sa barangay nga may ada  
898. na kita sugad sini nga ordinansa nga maghahatag sin pahalipay para san mga  
899. mag Top Notcher nga Abuyogonon. Tikangan ta sa Section 1., Aton basahon.  
900. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the “Abuyog Topnotcher Incentive  
901. Ordinance”. Section 2. Definition. a. Bar Examination, is the Professional licensure  
902. Examination for lawyers in the Philippines. The Exam is exclusively administered  
903. by the Supreme Court of the Philippines through the Supreme Court Bar  
904. Examination Committee. b. Board Examination - refers to examinations conducted  
905. nationwide as per schedule to determine qualifications of graduates of various  
906. professions who seek licensure to practice their Respective professions or area of  
907. specialization sanctioned by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC). c.  
908. Topnotchers - refers to individuals who are officially declared Top one (1) to Top  
909. ten (10) by their either the Supreme Court of the Philippines or the Professional  
910. Regulation Commission. Section 3. CASH INCENTIVES. The cash incentives will  
911. be given to eligible students according to the following: a. Top 1. - FIFTY  
912. THOUSAND PESOS (50,000.00) b. Top 2 -Top 5 - THIRTY THOUSAND PESOS  
913. (30,000.00) c. Top 6 - Top 10 - TWENTY THOUSAND PESOS (20,000.00).  
914. Section 4. CERTIFICATE. The examinees who are declared topnotchers shall be  
915. given a Recognition Certificate by both the Office of the Municipal Mayor and the  
916. Sangguniang Bayan through the Office of the Vice Mayor. Section 5.  
917. INFORMATION DISEMINATION. The Public Information Office (PIO) is hereby  
918. mandated to ensure that the examinees who are declared topnotcher are given









919. the recognition for the pride and honor that the examinees have given the  
920. Municipality of Abuyog by posting it on its social media sites and through  
921. publication or posters in properties owned by the Local Government of Abuyog  
922. Leyte. Section 6. REQUIREMENTS. The requirements to be eligible for the benefit  
923. of this Ordinance shall be the following: 1. He must be born in Abuyog, Leyte; 2.  
924. He must have been a graduate from secondary school in a school situated in  
925. Abuyog, Leyte. 3. Either he/she or his/her parents is a registered voter of Abuyog,  
926. Leyte. 4. He must present a certificate, or any document issued by either the PRC  
927. or the Supreme Court proving the fact that he or she is a topnotcher as defined by  
928. this Ordinance. Section 7. MUNICIPAL MAYOR'S DISCRETION. In case there are  
929. changes made by either the Supreme Court or the Professional Regulations  
930. Commission which will deviate from the traditional ranking of top ten (10 ), the  
931. Municipal Mayor is hereby given the power to decide whether to give in an amount  
932. not exceeding FIFTY THOUSAND PESOS (50,000.00) to examinees who are  
933. given recognition for his or her exemplary or excellent performance in either the  
934. board of bar examination in which he or she is taking. Section 8.  
935. APPROPRIATION. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this  
936. Ordinance shall be allocated annually in the Budget. Section 9. SEPARABILITY  
937. CLAUSE. If any part of this Ordinance declared unconstitutional or unlawful, shall  
938. not affect the other parts or the section hereof. Section 10. REPEALING CLAUSE.  
939. All previous Ordinance inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be deemed repealed  
940. or modified accordingly. Ngan san katapusan, Section 11. EFECTIVITY CLAUSE.  
941. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval and due publication  
942. in accordance with law. So amu la adi an mga provision sini nga ordinansa.  
943. Maupay ini nga bulig para pag encourage san aton mga Abuyognon nga plano pa  
944. la pag take sin Bar or Board Examination para diri la pag pasar it ira goal kun gusto  
945. nira kumuha sini nga mga examination kundi, an pag top notcher sini nga  
946. examination. Amu la adto an tumong sini nga ordinansa. Damu nga Salamat ngan  
947. Maupay nga adlaw sa aton nga tanan. Public Hearing is adjourned.

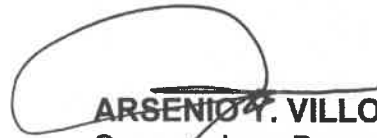
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**ATTENDANCE**

COMMITTEE HEARING/PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2024 CHILDRENS CODE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ABUYOG, LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF AND THE DRAFT ORDINANCE GRANTING CASH INCENTIVES TO EXAMINEES WHO EXCELLED AND DECLARED TOPNOTCHERS

DATE: APRIL 24, 2024

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

VENUE: PUTYUKAN SAN ABUYOG, MUNICIPAL COMPOUND

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