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2nd INDORSEMENT November 15, 2024

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 24-12 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte.

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

• Ordinance No. 24-12 entitled: "An Ordinance institutionalizing the annual "Kasalan ng Bayan" every month of February, etc."

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is generally in accordance with its power under Section 447(a)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160). Hence, we recommend for 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 the 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

¹ (a) The sangguniang bayan, as the legislative body of the municipality, shall enact ordinances, approve resolutions and appropriate funds for the general welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of this Code and in the proper exercise of the corporate powers of the municipality as provided for under Section 22 of this Code,

Republic of the Philippines PROVINCE OF LEYTE Palo, Leyte

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

1st INDORSEMENT 11 Hovember 2024 Legal Office
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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 24-12**, of the **Municipality of Burauen**, **Leyte**, entitled: An Ordinance institutionalizing the annual "Kasalan ng Bayan" every month of February of the Municipal Government of Burauen, Leyte, appropriating funds therefor and for other purposes.

ANDRE SANICO
Provi Govt. Ass. Dept Head



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

November 6, 2024

THE HONORABLE MEMBERS Sangguniang Panlalawigan Province of Leyte

ATTENTION: FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO

Secretary to the Sanggunian

Province of Leyte

Palo, Leyte

Ladies/Gentlemen:

We transmit herewith 15 copies of <u>Municipal Ordinance No. 24-12</u>, Series of 2024 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled "An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Annual Kasalan ng Bayan Every Month of February of the Municipal Government of Burauen, Leyte, Appropriating Funds Therefor and For Other Purposes", for review and approval of the body.

Thank you and please acknowledge receipt hereof.

Respectfully yours,

CHARITY C. BARBOSA
Board Secretary II





Republic of the Philippines Province of Leyte Municipality of Burauen



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN



MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 24-12 SERIES OF 2024

AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE ANNUAL "KASALAN NG BAYAN", EVERY MONTH OF FEBRUARY OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF BURAUEN, LEYTE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

AUTHOR: HON. FE S. RENOMERON

Chairman, Committee on Social Services, Senior Citizens, Women and Family Welfare

WHEREAS, Article XV of the 1987 Constitution recognizes the Filipino family as the foundation of the nation, and Marriage, as an inviolable social institution, is the foundation of the family and shall be protected by the State;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Unit of Burauen affirms the importance of marriage which value and sanctity are the cohesive bond that creates the strong fabric of foundation of a strong and stable society.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, in regular session assembled, that:

SECTION 1 – *Title.* This ordinance shall be known as, "Kasalan ng Bayan Ordinance of Burauen, Leyte".

SECTION 2 – *Declaration of Policy*. The Local Government Unit of Burauen recognizes the family as the basic unit of society that plays an important role in development. It recognizes the roles of couples and parents in shaping the future of the family and society. It also adheres to the belief that government and church can form an active partnership and collaborative undertaking in strengthening the family bonds among couples through the institution of the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony.

SECTION 3 – *Definition of Terms*. For purposes of this ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

- 1. *Marriage Applicants* are couples who formally applied to the Kasalan ng Bayan Program who intend to live together as husband and wife.
- 2. Couple a man and a woman aged 18 years old and above.
- 3. Program refers to the Kasalan ng Bayan Program of the municipality.
- 4. Kasalan ng Bayan refers to the mass marriage ceremony for eligible couples.
- 5. LCR refers to the Local Civil Registrar of the Municipality of Burauen.
- 6. LGU refers to the Local Government Unit of Burauen.
- 7. PSA- Philippine Statistics Authority

SECTION 4 – Administrative Provisions. There shall be a Special Lane for the Kasalan ng Bayan Program Applicants. The Local Civil Registrar shall install the necessary arrangements and accommodations to ensure the fast processing of documentary requirements. He shall create a Kasalan ng Bayan Form duly approved by the Municipal Mayor that will indicate among others, the name of the couple applicants, their residence, and the enumeration of fees to be waived as indicated in Section 5 of this Ordinance.

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SECTION 5 – Waiver of Fees. The following fees shall be waived in favor of the eligible couple applicants:

- 1. Marriage Application Fee;
- 2. Pre-marriage Counseling/Seminar Fees (Family Planning); and
- 3. Marriage Solemnization Fee.

SECTION 6 – *Requirements*. All couples who met the minimum requirements enumerated in Section 8 of this Ordinance shall be eligible to benefit from the Program, provided however, that they file their registration within the prescribed application period.

The Local Government Unit of Burauen will handle through the Kasalan ng Bayan budget allocation the fees for the PSA Live Birth Certificate and Certificate of No Marriage to all applicants for the Kasalan ng Bayan who are not able to provide the needed documents from PSA.

SECTION 7 – *Registration Period.* The Local Government Unit of Burauen shall cause the posting and announcement of the notices of the start and deadline of the registration for the Kasalan ng Bayan Program.

SECTION 8 – *Requirements for Application*. The following requirements shall be established when applying for the Program:

- 1. At least one of the couples is a bonafide resident of the Municipality of Burauen;
- 2. Must be at least 18 years of age at the time of the marriage;
- 3. Pre-Marriage Counselling Certificate issued by the MSWDO;
- 4. Certificate of No Marriage (CENOMAR) duly issued by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA);
- 5. Application for Marriage License (for Non-exceptional character applicants)
- 6. Marriage License; and/or
- 7. Affidavit of Cohabitation (for those who lived together for at least 5 years and must be 23 years old and above);
- 8. Consent to Marry for 20 years and below signed by the father or Advise Upon Intended Marriage for 21 years old to 24 years old;
- 9. Pre-Marriage Orientation (if either of the contracting party is below 25 years old);
- 10. Philsys ID or any valid ID;
- 11. Certificate of Tree Planting;
- 12. Filled up Kasalan ng Bayan Form;
- 13. Certificate of Live Birth (PSA Copy); and
- 14. 10 Days Posting Requirements

SECTION 9 – Application Procedure. The following shall be the procedure in availing the Kasalan ng Bayan Program.

- 1. Couples shall personally register to the Local Civil Register at the Special Lane created for the purpose;
- 2. All applications must be submitted at least two (2) months before the scheduled wedding ceremony to give sufficient time for the LCR to process all the legal requisitions for the issuance of a Marriage License;
- 3. After initial screening, the LCR shall recommend to the Office of the Municipal Mayor the names of the eligible couple registrants who does not have any legal impediment for the final review and approval; and
- 4. All approved eligible applicants shall be notified accordingly.

SECTION 10 – *Other Provisions*. The venue of the Wedding Ceremony shall be designated by the LGU. It shall likewise provide for the decorations, wedding gifts, invitations, rings, arrhae, bouquets, cakes, foods, and other incidental expenses, subject to availability of funds. The Mayor, Vice-Mayor, Sangguniang Bayan Members and other members of the Executive Committee together with the Local Civil Registrar shall act as Principal Witness to the

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ceremony. Solemnization could either be a Church Wedding officiated by the Roman Catholic Church or a Civil Wedding wherein the municipal mayor may act as the Solemnizing Officer.

SECTION 11 – *Source of Funds.* The Kasalan ng Bayan Program shall be appropriated yearly under the General Fund for the proper implementation of the Kasalan ng Bayan Program of the Municipality.

SECTION 12 – *Repealing Clause.* All ordinances, resolutions, executive orders and all other issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed to be repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 13 – *Separability Clause.* If any of the provisions of this ordinance is declared invalid and unconstitutional, other parts or provisions hereof shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 14 – *Effectivity*. This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, this 24th day of June 2024, in regular session assembled.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

HON. EVAFF A. CORAL Sangguniang Bayan Member Secretary Pro Tempore

ATTESTED:

(absent)

HON. NOEL P. ALPINO

Vice-Mayor

HON. WINCENT G. ENERLAN

Sanggun ang Bayan Member

(absent)

HON. HERMINIA C. CAMASIN

Sangguniang Bayan Member

HON. DEXTER R. SENO

Sangguniang Bayan Member

(Secretary Pro Tempore)

HON. EVAFE A. CORAL

Sangguniang Bayan Member

HON. FE-S. RENOMERON

LnB Presiden Ex-Officio SB Member

HON. CIPRIANO R. RELAYORRES, JR. Sangguniang Bayan Member/Previding Officer

HON. BRYAN R. CINCO

Sangguniang Bayan Member

HON. ROBERT G. DEL PILAR

Sangginiang Bayan Member

HON. OSCAR A. CAGARA

Sangguniang Bayan Member

HON. JUSTINE MERP G. ANDRADE

SK Federation President/Ex-Officio Member

APPROVED:

HON. JUANITO E, RENOMERON

Mayor



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled, "An ordinance institutionalizing the Annual Kasalan ng Bayan, every month of February of the Municipal Government of Burauen, Leyte, appropriating funds therefor and for other purposes", was enacted on June 24, 2024, approved on even date, and has been posted in two (2) conspicuous and publicly accessible places of the municipality from June 26 to July 16, 2024, in compliance with Section 59, paragraph (b) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991".

Burauen, Leyte, July 29, 2024.

HON NOEL P. ALPINO Municipal Vice-Mayor

