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Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF LEYTE



Hon. LEONARDO V. JAVIER, Jr.

Vice-Governor
Province of Leyte

Thru: The Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members

Dear Vice-Governor Javier, Jr.:

Respectfully forwarding the herein attached Proposed Ordinance, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE TRANSPORT OF QUARRY, SAND, GRAVEL, AND OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES OF SIMILAR NATURE WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

For the Honorable August Body's consideration.

Thank you very much. Mabuhay!

By Authority of the Governor:





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PROPOSED PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. _____ Series of 2024

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WHEREAS, in the transport of quarry, sand, gravel, and other natural resources within the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Leyte, environmental protection, the safety of motorists and pedestrians, and due accounting are primary considerations and utmost concerns.

WHEREAS, every local government unit has the sworn obligation to enact measures that will enhance, among others, the safety and convenience and promote the general prosperity of the inhabitants of the local units.

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion duly seconded, be it.

RESOLVE, as it is hereby resolved, to REGULATE THE TRANSPORT OF QUARRY, SAND, GRAVEL, AND OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES OF SIMILAR NATURE WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Section 1. – PROHIBITIVE TRANSPORT TIME - Except upon application and prior authorization from the Office of the Governor or his duly authorized representative, no person, whether natural or juridical, shall operate an inland transport of quarry, sand, gravel, and other natural resources of similar nature within the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Leyte, from 7:00 p.m. up to 7:00 a.m. of the following day.

Section 2. MANDATORY REQUIREMENT – In the conduct of inland transport of quarry, sand, gravel, and other natural resources of similar nature within the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Leyte, the following shall be strictly observed, to wit:

- a. All inland transport or hauling of quarry, sand, gravel, and other natural resources of similar nature shall, at all times, be covered with tarpaulin, also known as "trapal or "lona" or other similar material, and;
- b. For sealand transport, whether within or going outside the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Leyte, subject to the application requirement and payment of required fees and taxes, the transport of said resources shall, before its departure, be

- covered by an Ore Transport Permit (OTP) issued by the Office of the Provincial Governor or his duly authorized representative.
- c. In addition, all transport of said resources shall, at all times, be covered by a duly accomplished Delivery Receipt issued by the Provincial Government of Leyte or the Mines and Geosciences Bureau or Official Receipt, as the case may be.
- Section 3. **PENALTY** Without prejudice to the provisions of the Republic Act No. 7942, otherwise known as the Philippine Mining Act of 1995, Revised Penal Code, and the related laws, rules, regulations, and Ordinances, any person found to be violating this Ordinance in flagrante delicto, shall be meted the following:
 - a. FINE not exceeding Five thousand pesos (P5,000.00) and;
 - b. **IMPOUND** or **CONFISCATE** the subject vehicle, including the loaded quarry, sand or gravel, or other natural resources of similar nature;
 - c. Repetition of similar violation of this Ordinance and after due notice, at the discretion of the Governor, **SUSPEND** or **REVOKE** the concerned Quarry, Sand, and Gravel Permit issued by the Provincial Government of Leyte.
- Section 4. **Deputization of the PNP** The members of the Leyte Police Provincial Office (LPPO) and/or the concerned PNP Municipal Police Station Office and/or the Provincial Sand and Gravel Task Force, are hereby deputized to enforce and implement this Ordinance.
- Section 5. **SEPARABILITY CLAUSE**—Any provision or provisions of this Ordinance declared to be unconstitutional by a competent court, the unaffected portion or portions shall remain valid and shall continue to have the full force and effect of law.
- Section 6. REPEALING CLAUSE— All Ordinances and other issuances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby amended, modified, or repealed accordingly.
- Section 7. **EFFECTIVITY** This Ordinance shall take effect after fifteen (15) days from publication in a newspaper of general circulation.