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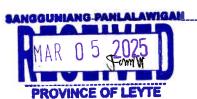


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PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE





2nd INDORSEMENT

February 26, 2025

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 1 series of 2025 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Tunga, Leyte.

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

• Ordinance No. 1 series of 2025 entitled: "An Ordinance establishing and maintaining the Migrant Advisory and Information Network, 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)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160) pursuant to RA 11862². 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 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 Provincial Legal Officer y

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, and shall:

⁽¹⁾ Approve ordinances and pass resolutions necessary for an efficient and effective municipal government

² Expanded Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act of 2022

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

1ST INDORSEMENT 26 February 2025

The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 01**, series of 2025 of Tunga, Leyte, entitled: An Ordinance establishing and maintaining the Migrant Advisory and Information Network (MAIN) Desk in the Municipality of Tunga, Leyte.

FLORINDA JUL S. JUYVICO Secretary to the Sanggunian



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES Province of Leyte MUNICIPALITY OF TUNGA -oOo-

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

PROVINCE OF LEYTE

February 26, 2025

HON. LEONARDO JAVIER JR. Vice-Governor/Presiding Officer Sangguniang Panlalawigan Province of Leyte

Thru: THE SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIAN

Sir:

Respectfully submitting herewith fifteen (15) copies of **Municipal Ordinance No. 01**, **Series of 2025** — AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING THE MIGRANT ADVISORY AND INFORMATION NETWORK (MAIN) DESK IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TUNGA, LEYTE, together with its supporting documents for review and approval.

Please acknowledge receipt hereof.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

NAOMI C. ARCALLANA Secretary to the Sanggunian



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES Province of Levte **MUNICIPALITY OF TUNGA**

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 120TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN, TUNGA, LEYTE HELD ON FEBRUARY 17, 2025 AT THE SB **SESSION HALL.**

PRESENT:

Hon. Egidio G. Baac

Hon. Martiniano F. Requiez

Hon. Edmundo O. Labarda

Hon. Joselito L. Arintoc

Hon. Lemuel G. Ponferrada Hon. Marietta A. Catalo

Hon. Rex S. Ergina

Hon. Jose Capoporo A. Uribe

Hon. Leo Van C. Delgado

Municipal Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer

SB Member

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Ex-Officio Member/SK Federation President

SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

PROVINCE OF LEYTE

ABSENT:

Hon. Severino B. Sari

SB Member

Hon. Florentina A. Obsequio

Ex-Officio Member/Liga President

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 01

Series of 2025

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING THE MIGRANT ADVISORY AND INFORMATION NETWORK (MAIN) DESK IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TUNGA, LEYTE.

Sponsors: Hon. Marietta A. Catalo

Hon. Severino B. Sari

Hon. Joselito L. Arintoc

Hon. Jose Capoporo A. Uribe

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9208 otherwise known as the Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act enacted in 2003 declaring that the State values the dignity of every human person and guarantees the respect of individual rights;

WHEREAS, in the same law, it was also declared that the State recognizes that equal rights and inherent human dignity of women and men as enshrined in the United Nations Universal Declaration on Human Rights. United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, United Nations Convention on the Protection of Migrant Workers and their Families, United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime including its Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, especially Women and Children and all other relevant and universally accepted human rights instruments and

other international conventions;

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WHEREAS, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) issued Memorandum Circular No. 2005-26 dated March 14, 2005 on the strict implementation of Republic Act No. 9208 to all levels of local governments, DILG Field Offices, and other concerned offices;

WHEREAS, Memorandum Circular No. 2006-172 dated December 12, 2006 was also issued to further strengthen LGU's efforts against human trafficking;

WHEREAS, the Circular mandates the LGUs, among others, to sustain the Migrant Advisory and Information Network (MAIN) Desk;

WHEREAS, Section 144 of the IRR of RA 11862 otherwise known as the Expanded Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act of 2022, mandates LGUs to undertake an information campaign against trafficking in persons through the establishment of the MAIN Desks in municipalities or provinces in coordination with the DILG, PIA, CFO, NGOs and other concerned agencies.

BE IT ENACTED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Tunga in session assembled that:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. - This ordinance shall be known as "An Ordinance Establishing and Maintaining the Migrant Advisory and Information Network (MAIN) Desk in the Municipality of Tunga."

SECTION 2. ORGANIZATION. The Migrant Advisory and Information Network Desk (MAIN) is hereby lodged with the Office of MSWDO. An Executive Order shall be issued by the Local Chief Executive to identify specific personnel who will serve as the MAIN Desk of the LGU.

SECTION 3. FUNCTIONS. To ensure an integrated and concerted effort, the MAIN Desk in addition to its defined functions of generating, maintaining, and providing information related to human trafficking (based on DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2005-26) in coordination with concerned local offices, undertake the following related activities:

- 1. Preparation of referrals of Mall Order cases;
- 2. Documentation of cases of trafficking and illegal recruitment;
- 3. Establishment and partnership with Local Public Employment Service Office (PESO) in generating information of illegal recruiter with the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office on the provision of data on victims/affected family for livelihood assistance:
- 4. Develop a system for accreditation among NGOs for the purposes of establishing centers and programs for intervention in various levels of the community;
- 5. Render regular periodic report on the accomplishments, issues and concerns during quarterly meetings of the Local Committee on Anti-Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children (LCAT-VAWC);
- 6. Establishment of MAIN Social Media Page and interconnection with concerned agencies and non-government organizations;
- 7. Development and dissemination of IEC materials on cases of trafficked persons/children;
- 8. Intensify information dissemination among schools and barangays of the LGU;

9. Maintaining partnership with the local media and other partner organizations on campaign against human trafficking.

SECTION 4. FUNDING. Funds necessary to operationalize and fund projects, programs, activities, and services related to the MAIN shall be charged against the 5% GAD and to be reflected in its Annual Operations Plan & Budget.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances rules and regulations or parts thereof in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or declared unconstitutional, the other provisions which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its posting in at least three (3) conspicuous places within the municipality.

ENACTED by the Sangguniang Bayan, in session assembled this 17th day of February 2025 at Tunga, Leyte.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Municipal Ordinance.

NAOMI/C. ARCALLANA Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

EGIDIO/G. BAAC

Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

MARTIMANO F. REQUIEZ

SB Member

LEMUEL G. PONFERRADA

SI Member

EDMUNDO O LABARDA

SB Member

MARIETTA A. CATALO

SB Member

JOSELITO L. ARINTOC

SB Member

REX S. ERGINA SB Member

JOSE CAPOPORO A. URIBE

SB Member

(absent)

SEVERINO B. SARI SB Member (absent)

FLORENTINA A. OBSEQUIO Ex-Officio/ABC President

LEO VAN C. DELGADO

Ex-Officio/SK Fed. President

APPROVED:

REINBERT C. COSTELO

Municipal Mayor

Date: <u>2-25-2025</u>



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES Province of Leyte MUNICIPALITY OF TUNGA -oOo-

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that *Municipal Ordinance No. 01*, *S. 2025* entitled: "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING THE MIGRANT ADVISORY AND INFORMATION NETWORK (MAIN) DESK IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TUNGA, LEYTE", has been posted in three (3) conspicuous places within the municipality and shall remain posted for three (3) consecutive weeks.

Issued this 25th day of February, 2025 at Tunga, Leyte.

NAOM C. ARCALLANA Secretary to the Sanggunian