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## OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 86th REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE CONDUCTED AT THE SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, CAPITOL GROUNDS, TACLOBAN CITY ON 30 APRIL 2021.

#### PHYSICALLY PRESENT:

Hon. Carlo P. Loreto - Vice-Governor/Presiding Officer

Hon. Florante A. Cayunda, Jr. - Floor Leader

Hon. Ranulfo S. Abellanosa - 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Floor Leader
Hon. Gina E. Merilo - 1<sup>st</sup> District Board Member
Hon. Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban - 3<sup>rd</sup> District Board Member

Hon. Ma. Corazon E. Remandaban - 3<sup>rd</sup> District Board Member Hon. Emmanuel L. Gacis - 5<sup>th</sup> District Board Member

Hon. Chiqui Ruth C. Uy - Ex-Officio Sangguniang Panlalawigan

Member/PCL President

### **VIRTUALLY PRESENT:**

Hon. Trinidad G. Apostol

Hon. Raissa J. Villasin

Hon. Anna Victoria V. Tuazon

Hon. Mesias P. Arevalo

- 1st Deputy Floor Leader

2nd District Board Member

4th District Board Member

Hon. Mesias P. Arevalo

Hon. Maria Carmen Jean T. Rama

Hon. Jo Vanille C. Merilo

- 4th District Board Member

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Hon. Jo Vanille C. Merilo - Ex-Officio Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member/SK Provincial Fed. President Ex-Officio Sangguniang Panlalawigan

Member/LnBPProvl. President

#### ABSENT:

NONE

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-249**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ON THIRD AND FINAL READING, PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2021-03, ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE REPEALING PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE 2021-02, THE AMENDED UNIFORM COVID-19 INTEGRATED LEYTE PROTECTION HEALTH PROTOCOLS OR ILP HEALTH PROTOCOLS ORDINANCE".

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan on 18 September 2020 enacted Provincial Ordinance 2020-15 entitled, "Uniform COVID-19 Integrated Leyte Protection Protocols or ILP Health Protocols Ordinance";

WHEREAS, on 08 March 2021, the same Sanggunian subsequently amended above-mentioned ordinance through Provincial Ordinance 2021-02 entitled, "Amended Uniform COVID-19 Integrated Leyte Protection Protocols or ILP Health Protocols Ordinance" in compliance with National Inter-agency Task Force (National-IATF) for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases Résolution No. 101, Series of 2021 and upon the request of the League of Municipalities – Leyte Chapter through its Resolution No. 1, Series of 2021:





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**WHEREAS**, from 22 March 2021 until present, the number of COVID-19 cases continue to surge to 8,000 or more reported cases nationwide in a single day;

**WHEREAS**, the emergence of additional variants of COVID-19 in the Philippines has resulted in an updated community quarantine risk classification to balance economic activity against proactive public health measures to limit and contain the spread of COVID-19 and its variants, and buy time for the health system to cope and protect more lives;

**WHEREAS**, a number of Leyte municipalities have experienced a spike in the number of COVID-19 cases on account of returning local residents who consequently infected their families, friends and relatives;

**WHEREAS**, these circumstances necessitate the prudent reinstatement of the previous public health measures adopted in order to effectively contain and protect constituents and residents of the Province of Leyte from the spread of COVID-19 and its variants;

WHEREAS, the League of Municipalities – Leyte Chapter in its Resolution No. 3, dated April 24, 2021 requested the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to reconsider/amend/repeal Provincial Ordinance No. 2021-02 thereby reinstating Provincial Ordinance No. 2020-15 or the Uniform COVID-19 Integrated Leyte Protection Protocols or ILP Health Protocols Ordinance;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Chiqui Ruth C. Uy, and duly seconded by Honorable Emmanuel L. Gacis, Honorable Florante A. Cayunda, Jr. and Honorable Gina E. Merilobe it

**RESOLVED** to **enact**, as it is hereby **ENACTED** on third and final reading, the following:

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-03 Series of 2021

AUTHORS: ATTY. FLORANTE A. CAYUNDA, JR.
ATTY. ANNA VICTORIA V. TUAZON

ATTY. CARLO P. LORETO HON. CHIQUI RUTH C. UY

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HON. MESIAS P. AREVALO

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HON. NOLIE C. CAÑA

HON. JO VANILLE CHUA-MERILO

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"AN ORDINANCE REPEALING PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE 2021-02, THE AMENDED UNIFORM COVID-19 INTEGRATED LEYTE PROTECTION HEALTH PROTOCOLS OR ILP HEALTH PROTOCOLS ORDINANCE"

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, that:

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as the "**An Ordinance Repealing Provincial Ordinance No. 2021-02**" which Amended the Uniform COVID-19 Integrated Leyte Health Protocols or ILP Health Protocols Ordinance.

**SECTION 2. REINSTATEMENT.** Provincial Ordinance No. 2020-15 otherwise known as the Uniform COVID-19 Integrated Leyte Protection Protocols or ILP Health Protocols Ordinance is hereby reinstated to implement the 14-day quarantine and testing for returning local residents, during the interim period and to conform with the following measures, to wit:

- 1. All returning local residents (RLRs), even if asymptomatic and more so if symptomatic, are required to undergo 14-day quarantine either in their homes provided the home has passed the standards for home quarantine as inspected and certified by BHERTs, or in the barangay quarantine facilities or in the municipal quarantine facilities;
- 2. The City/Municipal Government has the option to test their RLRs from the 5th day onwards either through RT-PCR or rapid antigen tests at the expense of the returning local resident or the concerned LGU. The respective C/MIATFs of these LGUs can impose their own protocols on how testing will be done and how the expenses will be shouldered;
- 3. If the RT-PCR or rapid antigen test is conducted and the result is negative, the RLR can now be released from quarantine provided that he/she will continue to follow the minimum public health standards which include physical distancing, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, and wearing of face masks and face shields among others which shall be strictly implemented in all settings;
- 4. If the result of the RT-PCR or rapid antigen test is positive, the provisions on the management of positive cases under the COVID-10 ILP Health Protocols Ordinance will be followed;
- 5. If the RLR choose not to be tested, he/she remains in quarantine for 14 days and can only be released if he/she did not manifest symptoms at the end of the 14-day period otherwise, the quarantine period will be extended until the symptoms have disappeared as assessed by the City/Municipal Health Officer;

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- 6. The LMP Leyte Chapter and the Provincial Government of Leyte shall coordinate with the Department of Education in connection with any request to utilize classrooms as quarantine facilities for the interim period;
- 7. Any violation of the foregoing prohibitions shall constitute non-cooperation of the person or entities punishable under Section 9 par. (d) or (e), as the case may be, of Republic Act No. 11332;
- 8. Any violation of the foregoing prohibitions shall also be punishable under the respective ordinances of each LGU or the Provincial Ordinance;

**SECTION 3. REPEALING CLAUSE.** Provincial Ordinance No. 2021-02 and any other ordinance, executive orders, and local policies inconsistent with the Integrated Leyte Health Protocols of 2020 are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

Approved unanimously.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

FLORINDA JILLS DYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

HON. GINA E. MERILO

Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member

HON. RANULE S. ABELLANOSA Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member

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HON. NOLIE C. CAÑA

Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member

HON. CHIQUI RUTH C. UY Sangguniang Panlalawigan Member

HON. JO VANILLE CHUA-MERILO Sangguniang Parthlawigan Member

ATTY. CARLO .. LORETO
Vice Governor and Presiding Officer

Approved:

LEOPOLDO DOMINICO L. PETILLA

**Governor** 

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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