

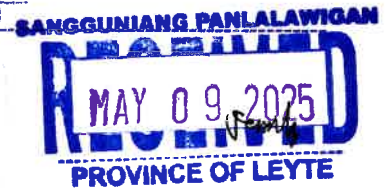
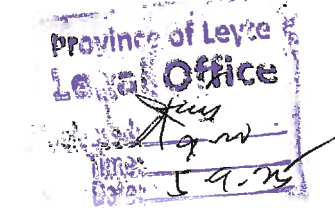
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PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE



2nd INDORSEMENT
May 6, 2025

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 493 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Babatngon, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 493 entitled: **"Kasalan ng Bayan Program Ordinance."**

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office opines that the subject Ordinance is, in general, within the legislative authority of the Sangguniang Bayan 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
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,

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein **Ordinance No. 493** of the **Municipality of Babatngon, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance establishing the Kasalan ng Bayan Program in the Municipality of Babatngon, Leyte and providing funds thereof.**


FLORINDA JIL SUYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



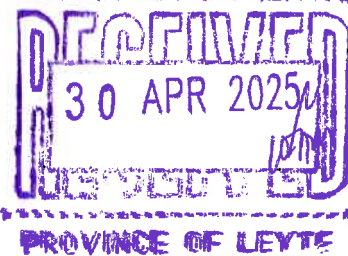
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29 April 2025

Honorable Leonardo M. Javier, Jr,
Vice Governor and Presiding Officer, and

The Honorable Members
Sangguniang Panlalawigan
Province of Leyte
Legislative Bldg., Capitol Grounds
Tacloban City

SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN



Dear Honorable Ladies and Gentlemen,

Respectfully endorsed to the Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Leyte is Municipal Ordinance No. 493 of the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Babatngon, Leyte, entitled: "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE KASALAN NG BAYAN PROGRAM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BABATNGON, LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF." Subject Ordinance is being forwarded to that Body for review in compliance with Section 56 (a) of Republic Act 7160.

Enclosed please find the following:

1. Ordinance No. 493
2. Certification of Posting

Please find them in order and praying for your favorable action thereof.

Very truly yours,

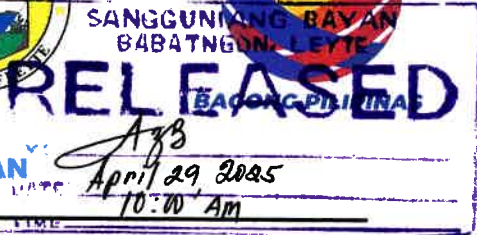
ALMA A. BALDOMAR
Secretary II
Secretary to the Sanggunian-designate

Enclosed:
As stated





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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 138th REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNANG BAYAN OF BABATNGON, LEYTE HELD ON THE 14th DAY OF APRIL 2025 AT THE 58th SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, BABATNGON, LEYTE.

RECEIVED

ORDINANCE NO. 493

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE KASALAN NG BAYAN PROGRAM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BABATNGON, LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF.

AUTHOR: Hon. HILARION S. MENZON
Sangguniang Bayan Member

CO-AUTHOR: Hon. Christian C. Lawsin; Hon. Kemuel Rue M. Corsiga
Hon. Ildefonso B. Odon; Hon. Federico P. Elizaga, Jr. Hon. Alex Veloso Bello
ABC Pres. Edgardo Y. Morden; SK Federation Pres. Jude Lemwel B. Vethinas

Be it enacted by the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Babatngon, Leyte in session assembled:

SECTION 1 - Short Title. This ordinance shall be known as the "KASALAN NG BAYAN PROGRAM ORDINANCE" in the Municipality of Babatngon, Leyte.

SECTION 2 - Statement of Policy. It is the policy of the Municipality of Babatngon to promote and strengthen family values and relationships by providing a platform for couples to formalize their union through marriage. The Kasalan ng Bayan Program aims to encourage couples to legalize their relationships and uphold the sanctity of marriage.

SECTION 3 - Definition of Terms.

- Couple - refers to man and woman who are living together for at least 5 years and above without legal impediment to marry each other.
- Application – the formal request of the qualified couple in availing the Kasalan ng Bayan Program at the Municipal Civil Registrar Office (MCRO).
- Program - the Kasalan ng Bayan under the "USWAG BABATNGON PROGRAM" established by the Local Government Unit of Babatngon, Leyte.
- Kasalan ng Bayan - a mass wedding ceremony organized by the LGU for couples who wish to get married.
- MCRO - Municipal Civil Registrar Office, the government office responsible for registering vital events such as births, marriages, and deaths.
- LGU - Local Government Unit, the governing body of the Municipality of Babatngon.

SECTION 4 - Administrative Provisions. The Kasalan ng Bayan Program shall be administered by the LGU once a year or in between the month of April or May through the MCR office.

SECTION 5 - Waiver of Fees. All fees related to the marriage application process, including marriage license fees, shall be waived for couples participating in the Kasalan ng Bayan Program.

SECTION 6 - Requirements. Couples who wish to participate in the Kasalan ng Bayan Program must meet the following requirements: - Both parties must be of legal age, must be living together as husband and wife for at least 5 years and above without legal impediment to marry each other, must be a resident of Babatngon, Leyte.

SECTION 7 - Application Period/Procedure. The application period for the Kasalan ng Bayan Program shall be announced by the LGU at least three months before the scheduled mass wedding ceremony. Couples must personally submit their application documents to the MCR office during the application period. The MCR office will verify the authenticity of the submitted documents, process, prepare the certificate of marriage and schedule the couple for the mass wedding ceremony.

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SECTION 8 - Requirements for Application. Couples must submit the following documents to the MCR office to apply for the *Kasalan ng Bayan Program*: - *Birth certificates (local copies or PSA) of both parties - Valid IDs , Certificate of No Marriage record (CENOMAR) from the Philippine Statistics Authority and Tree Planting activities.*

SECTION 9 - Source of Fund. The funds to be used for the implementation of the *Kasalan ng Bayan Program* shall be charged under the Gender and Development Program with an initial amount of PhP 500,000.00.


SECTION 10 - Separability Clause. If any provision of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11 - Repealing Clause. All ordinances, rules, regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 12 - Effectivity. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

ENACTED and APPROVED this 14th day of April 2025 at Babatngon, Leyte.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.


ALMA A. BALDOMAR
Secretary II
Secretary to the Sanggunian-Designate

ATTESTED:


HON. ROSARY PEARL G. CATUDIO
Municipal Vice-Mayor and
Presiding Officer


HON. CHRISTIAN C. LAWSIN
Sangguniang Bayan Member


HON. KEMUEL RUE M. CORSIGA
Sangguniang Bayan Member

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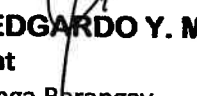
HON. KARL JOMAR L. EMBANA
Sangguniang Bayan Member

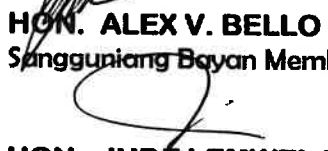

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HON. HILARION S. MENZON
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HON. ALEX V. BELLO
Sangguniang Bayan Member


HON. EDGARDO Y. MORDEN
President
Liga ng mga Barangay


HON. JUDE LEMWEL B. VETHIMVAS
President
Pambayang Pederasyon ng Sangguniang Kabataan

APPROVED:


HON. ELEONOR B. LUGNASIN
Municipal Mayor

Date: 28 APRIL 2025

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CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that POSTING in prominent places in the Municipal Hall and some conspicuous places in the locality was undertaken starting 29 April 2025 and copies of said ordinance shall remain posted for three (3) consecutive weeks, pursuant to Sec. 59 (b) of Republic Act 7160, in relation to hereunder ordinance, to wit:

- 1. ORDINANCE NO. 493 – AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE KASALAN NG BAYAN PROGRAM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BABATNGON, LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF.**

Made this 29th day of April 2025 at Babatngon, Leyte.

ALMA A. BALDOMAR
Secretary II
Secretary to the Sanggunian-designate

