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Date: OCT 13 2025  
By: Jenni V

2<sup>nd</sup> INDORSEMENT  
October 3, 2025

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 25-29 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 25-29 entitled: "An Ordinance declaring Brgy. Kagbana, Burauen, Leyte, as a natural conservation and protection area, providing for its management and protection, and for other purposes."

**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)(vi)<sup>1</sup> and Section 447(5)(i)<sup>2</sup> 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*

<sup>1</sup> (vi) Protect the environment and impose appropriate penalties for acts which endanger the environment, such as dynamite fishing and other forms of destructive fishing, illegal logging and smuggling of logs, smuggling of natural resources products and of endangered species of flora and fauna, slash and burn farming, and such other activities which result in pollution, acceleration of eutrophication of rivers and lakes, or of ecological imbalance;

<sup>2</sup> (i) Provide for the establishment, maintenance, protection, and conservation of communal forests and watersheds, tree parks, greenbelts, mangroves, and other similar forest development projects;

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**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN**

**1<sup>ST</sup> INDORSEMENT**  
30 September 2025

Province of Leyte  
Legal Office  
9/30/25

The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 25-29, series of 2025**, of the **Municipality of Burauen, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance declaring Barangay Kagbana, Burauen, Leyte, as a natural conservation and protection area, providing for its management and protection, and for other purposes.**

  
**FLORINDA JILI S. UYVICO**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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MUNICIPALITY OF BURAUEN



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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

September 26, 2025

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 **Municipal Ordinance No. 25-29**, Series of 2025 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled "**An Ordinance Declaring Barangay Kagbana, Burauen, Leyte, as a Natural Conservation and Protection Area, Providing for its Management and Protection, and for Other Purposes**", for review and approval of the body.

Thank you and please acknowledge receipt hereof.

Respectfully yours,

  
ATTY. RUDEJANE S. TAN  
Secretary to the Sanggunian



Republic of the Philippines  
 Province of Leyte  
 Municipality of Burauen  
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**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN**

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 25-29  
 Series of 2025**

Sangguniang Panlalawigan  
 Province of Leyte  
**RECEIVED**  
 Date SEP 29 2025

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING BARANGAY KAGBANA, BURAUEN, LEYTE, AS A NATURAL CONSERVATION AND PROTECTION AREA, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

*Authored by Hon. Vincent G. Enerlan*

**WHEREAS**, it is the policy of the State to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

**WHEREAS**, Barangay Kagbana possesses unique and significant natural resources, including diverse flora, fauna, wildlife, and a delicate ecosystem, which contribute significantly to the ecological balance and biodiversity of the Municipality of Burauen;

**WHEREAS**, there is a crucial need to preserve, conserve, and protect these natural resources from degradation, exploitation, and destruction to ensure their sustainability for present and future generations;

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 2, Series of 2025, of the Municipal Tourism Develop Council and the Municipal Culture and the Arts Council of Burauen, specifically requested the enactment of an ordinance declaring Barangay Kagbana as a Natural Conservation Area;

**WHEREAS**, after due deliberation, including clarifications sought and provided, it was deemed more appropriate and comprehensive to declare Barangay Kagbana as a "Natural Conservation and Protection Area" to explicitly encompass the imperative for active protection of its entire ecosystem;

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

**SECTION 1. DECLARATION OF NATURAL CONSERVATION AND PROTECTION AREA.** Barangay Kagbana is hereby declared a "Natural Conservation and Protection Area." This declaration signifies the municipality's commitment to the preservation, conservation, and active protection of its natural resources, including but not limited to, its flora, fauna, wildlife, and the entire ecosystem within its territorial jurisdiction.

**SECTION 2. MANAGEMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION.** The Municipal Tourism Office, in coordination with the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO), Barangay Council of Kagbana, concerned national agencies, and local stakeholders, shall be responsible for the formulation and implementation of a comprehensive management plan for the Natural Conservation and Protection Area. This plan shall include, but not be limited to, resource assessment, monitoring, enforcement, and community awareness programs.

**SECTION 3. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any provision or part of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions or parts not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

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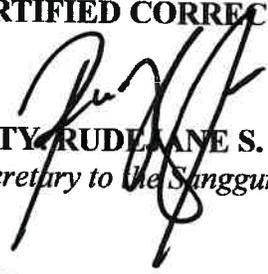
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**SECTION 4. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All ordinances, resolutions, rules, and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

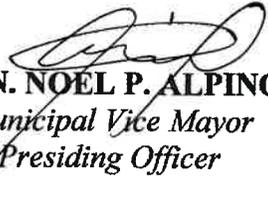
**SECTION 5. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval, subject to the compliance with the posting and publication requirements stipulated in the Local Government Code of 1991.

**ENACTED AND APPROVED,** June 25, 2025.

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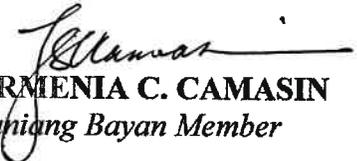
  
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*Secretary to the Sanggunian*

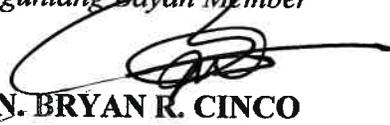
**ATTESTED:**

  
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*Municipal Vice Mayor  
Presiding Officer*

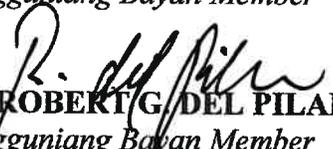
  
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*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

  
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*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

  
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*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

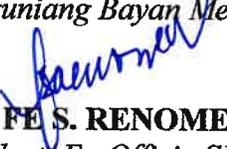
  
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*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

  
**HON. ROBERT G. DEL PILAR**  
*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

(absent)  
**HON. EVAFE A. CORAL**  
*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

  
**HON. OSCAR A. CAGARA**  
*Sangguniang Bayan Member*

  
**HON. FE S. RENOMERON**  
*LnB President/ Ex-Officio SB Member*

  
**HON. JUSTINE MERP-G. ANDRADE**  
*SK Federation President/ Ex-Officio Member*

**APPROVED:**

  
**HON. JUANITO E. RENOMERON**  
*Municipal Mayor*



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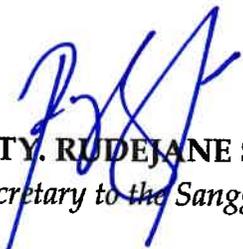
OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

**CERTIFICATE OF POSTING**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY** that **Municipal Ordinance No. 25-29**, Series of 2025 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled, *“An Ordinance Declaring Barangay Kagbana, Burauen, Leyte, As a Natural Conservation and Protection Area, Providing for its Management and Protection, and for Other Purposes”*, was enacted on June 25, 2025, approved on even date, and has been posted in two (2) conspicuous and publicly accessible places of the municipality from *June 27, 2025 to July 17, 2025*, in compliance with Section 59, paragraph (b) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the “Local Government Code of 1991”.

Burauen, Leyte, July 21, 2025.

  
ATTY. RUDEJANE S. TAN  
*Secretary to the Sanggunian*