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2nd INDORSEMENT
November 17, 2025

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 2025-23 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Tanauan, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 2025-23 entitled: "An on Children's Welfare Code of the Tanauan, Leyte."

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is generally in accordance to its power under Section 3 Paragraph 2, Article XV¹ of the 1987 Constitution in consonance with PD 603². 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 X

¹ (2) *The right of children to assistance, including proper care and nutrition, and special protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, cruelty, exploitation and other conditions prejudicial to their development;*

² *"The Child and Welfare Code"*

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Ordinance No. 2025-23 of the Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance establishing the Children's Code of the Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte**, promoting the rights and welfare of children, ensuring equal access to quality education, providing special protection, encouraging active youth involvement, prescribing penalties for violations, and for other purposes.


FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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THE HONORABLE MEMBERS

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Thru: The Secretary to the Sanggunian

Sir/Madam;

Respectfully submitting herewith 17th **SB Ordinance No. 2025-23, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CHILDREN'S CODE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TANAUAN, LEYTE, PROMOTING THE RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF CHILDREN, ENSURING EQUAL ACCESS TO QUALITY EDUCATION, PROVIDING SPECIAL PROTECTION, ENCOURAGING ACTIVE YOUTH INVOLVEMENT, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."**

Sponsored by: Hon. Cherry Anne T. Fiel

Trusting that you will accord this matter with your kindest attention.

Thank you.

Truly yours,


ELEUTERIO T. LARIOS
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

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SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE THIRTEENTH (13th) REGULAR SESSION OF THE 17TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF TANAUAN, LEYTE, HELD ON OCTOBER 06, 2025, AT THE SB SESSION HALL, TANAUAN TOWN HALL, TANAUAN, LEYTE.

PRESENT:

HON. ARCHIE LAWRENCE R. KAPUNAN
HON. JAN ELMER V. MAGDALAGA
HON. MARK CHRISTIAN FERDINAND L. GIMENEZ
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ABSENT:

HON. MAE JANE ANGELIE M. MORABE-BORAIS

Sangguniang Bayan Member

ORDINANCE NO. 2025 – 23

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CHILDREN'S CODE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TANAUAN, LEYTE, PROMOTING THE RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF CHILDREN, ENSURING EQUAL ACCESS TO QUALITY EDUCATION, PROVIDING SPECIAL PROTECTION, ENCOURAGING ACTIVE YOUTH INVOLVEMENT, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Sponsored by: Hon. Cherry Anne T. Fiel

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF TANAUAN, LEYTE IN
REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED THAT:

WHEREAS, Sec. 2 (a) of R.A. 9344 provides that the State recognizes the vital role of children and youth in nation building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being;

WHEREAS, Sec. 3 of Art XV of the Philippine Constitution provides that "The State shall defend the right of children to assistance, including proper care and nutrition and special protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, cruelty, exploitation and other conditions prejudicial to their developments;

WHEREAS, Republic Act no. 7610 (Special Protection of Children Against Abuse, Exploitation, and Discrimination Act) and Republic Act No. 9344 (Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006) provide mechanisms for the protection and development of children and youth;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte affirms its commitment to uphold the rights of children and youth, ensuring that they grow in an environment conducive to their holistic development and active participation in governance and community building;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Tanauan, Leyte, in session duly assembled, that:

ARTICLE I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE – This Ordinance shall be known as “The Children’s Welfare Code of TANAUAN, LEYTE”.

SECTION 2. COVERAGE AND SCOPE OF APPLICATION – This Code shall be applicable within the territorial jurisdiction of Tanauan, Leyte.

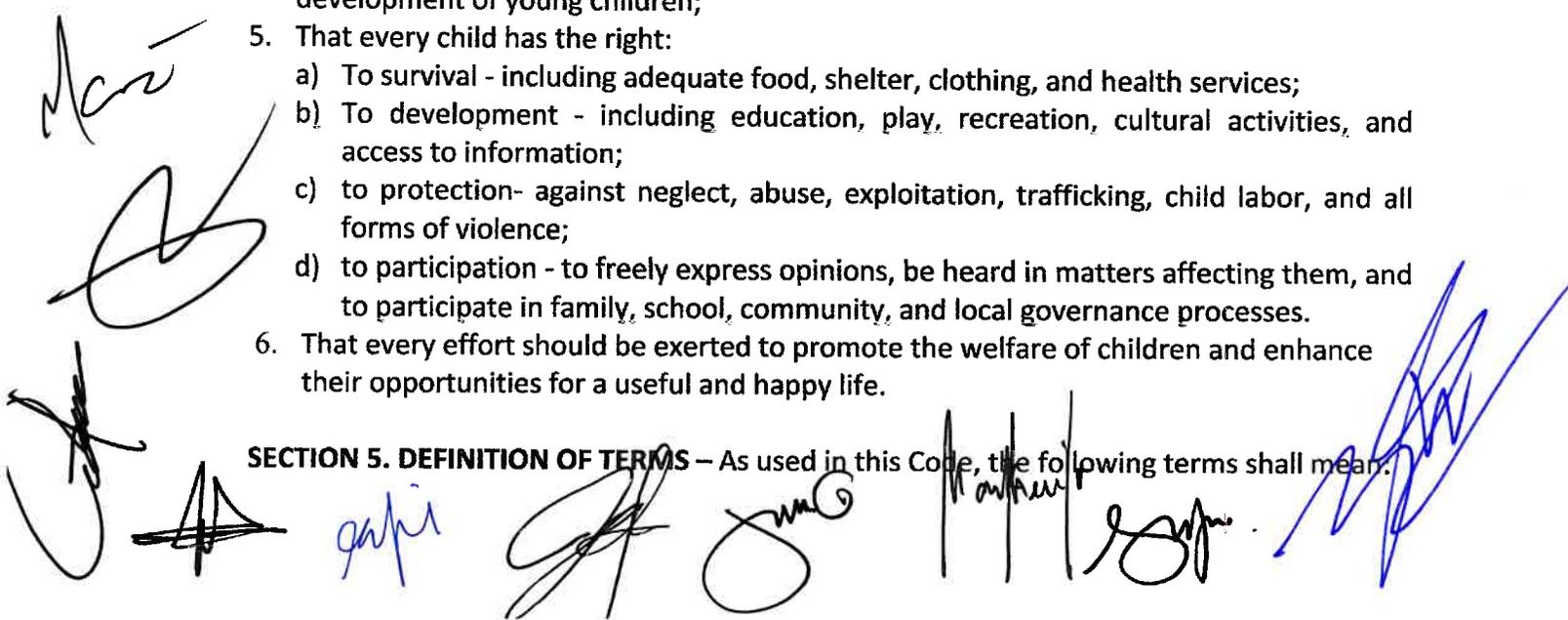
SECTION 3. DECLARATION OF POLICY – It is hereby declared the policy of the Municipality of Tanauan to:

1. Recognize, respect, protect, and promote the rights of children as enshrined in the Constitution, laws and international conventions;
2. Ensure equal access to quality education, health care, nutrition, and basic services;
3. Provide special protection from all forms of abuse, neglect, cruelty, exploitation, and violence;
4. Recognize the youth as partners in nation-building and encourage their active participation in governance, decision-making, and community development;
5. Establish programs that foster the survival, development, protection, and participation of children and youth.

SECTION 4. BASIC PRINCIPLES – The implementation of this Code shall be guided by the following basic principles:

1. That the Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte recognizes the rights of children and acknowledges the fact that the exercise of these rights will ensure development into exemplary citizens of the country;
2. That the best interests of the children shall be paramount consideration in all actions concerning them, whether undertaken by public or private social welfare institutions, courts of law, administrative authorities, and legislative bodies, consistent with the principle of First Call for Children as enunciated in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child;
3. That the State shall intervene on behalf of the child when parents, legal guardians, teacher or person having care custody of the child fails or is unable to protect the child against abuse, exploitation and discrimination, or when the act against the child is committed by the said parent, legal guardian, teacher or person having care or custody of the same;
4. That the State should try its best to achieve improve infant and child survival rates, enhance the physical, social, emotional, cognitive, psychological, spiritual and language development of young children;
5. That every child has the right:
 - a) To survival - including adequate food, shelter, clothing, and health services;
 - b) To development - including education, play, recreation, cultural activities, and access to information;
 - c) to protection- against neglect, abuse, exploitation, trafficking, child labor, and all forms of violence;
 - d) to participation - to freely express opinions, be heard in matters affecting them, and to participate in family, school, community, and local governance processes.
6. That every effort should be exerted to promote the welfare of children and enhance their opportunities for a useful and happy life.

SECTION 5. DEFINITION OF TERMS – As used in this Code, the following terms shall mean:



A. Anti-Social Related Activities – are those acts against property, chastity and person which include but not limited to the following:

1. Petty crimes such as snatching, shoplifting, misrepresentation;
2. Using and pushing prohibited drugs, selling illegal or lewd reading materials;
3. Pimping for young or old prostitutes, doing or participating in obscene show;
4. Gambling of any form;
5. Rape and incest;
6. Unjust and inhuman manner of eviction and demolition; and
7. Any other circumstances as defined in the existing laws; (R.A. 7610)

B. Bahay Pag-asa – refers to a 24-hour child-caring institution established, funded and managed by local government units (LGUs) and licensed and/or accredited nongovernment organization (NGOs) providing short-term residential care for children in conflict with the law who are above fifteen (15) but below eighteen (18) years of age who are awaiting court disposition of their cases or transfer to other agencies or jurisdiction;

C. Best Interest of the Child – refers to the totality of the circumstances and conditions which are most congenial to the survival, protection and feelings of security of the child and most encouraging to the child's physical, psychological and emotional development;

D. Children – refers to a person below eighteen (18) years of age and those over but are unable to fully take care of themselves or protect themselves from abuse, neglect, cruelty, exploitation and/or discrimination because of physical or mental disability or condition;

E. Child Abuse – refers to the maltreatment of the child, whether habitual or not, which includes any of the following:

1. Psychological and physical abuse, neglect, cruelty, sexual abuse and emotional maltreatment;
2. Any act by deeds or words that debases, degrades or demeans the intrinsic worth and dignity as a human being;
3. Unreasonable deprivation of his/her basic needs for survival such as food and shelter; and
4. Failure to immediately give medical treatment to an injured child resulting in serious impairment of his or her growth and development or in his/her permanent incapacity or death.

F. Children's Assembly – refers to a company of children gathered together to advance their welfare.

G. Child at Risk – refers to a child who is vulnerable to and at the risk of committing criminal offenses, such as, but not limited to the following:

1. Being abused by any person through sexual, physical, psychological, mental, economic or any other means;
2. Exploited sexually or economically;
3. Abandoned or neglected;
4. Coming from a dysfunctional or broken family or without a parent or legal guardian;
5. Out of school;
6. Street Child;
7. Member of a gang;
8. Living in a community with a high level of criminality or drug abuse;
9. Living in situation of armed conflict;

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- H. **Child Care and Development Workers** – refers to individuals or institutions such as government agencies and civil society organizations working for child welfare.
- I. **Child Exploitation** – refers to the use of children for someone else’s advantage, gratification or profit often resulting in unjust, cruel, and harmful treatment of the child, which are detrimental to the child’s physical and mental health, education, moral, social and emotional development. These include situations of manipulation, misuse, abuse, victimization, oppression, or ill-treatment.
- J. **Child Friendly Space** – refers to safe spaces for children to play and learn. This will also help to prevent and respond to incidents that threaten children’s safety, such as natural disasters, conflicts, or violence. These efforts provide safe spaces for children by rehabilitating/refurbishing learning spaces during emergency.
- K. **Children in Conflict with the Law (CICL)** – refers to children who are alleged as accused of, or adjudged as, having committed an offense under Philippine laws.
- L. **Circumstances which gravely threaten or endanger the survival and normal development of children include but not limited to the following:**
1. Being in the community where there is armed conflict or being affected by armed conflict related activities;
 2. Working under conditions hazardous to life, safety, and moral, which unduly interfere with their normal development;
 3. Living or fending for themselves in the streets of urban or rural areas without the care of parents or a guardian or an adult supervision needed for their welfare;
 4. Being a member of an indigenous cultural community and/or living under condition of extreme poverty or in an area which is underdeveloped and/or lack or has inadequate access to services needed for a good quality of life;
 5. Being a victim of a man-made or natural disaster/calamity; and
 6. Circumstances analogous to those above stated which endanger life, safety, or normal development of children.
- M. **Comprehensive program against child exploitation and discrimination** – refers to the coordinated program of services and facilities to protect children against:
1. Child prostitution and other sexual abuse;
 2. Child trafficking;
 3. Obscene publications and indecent shows;
 4. Other acts of abuse;
 5. Circumstances which threaten or endanger the survival and normal development of children.
- N. **Child Development Center** – is a facility where early childhood care services for 3-4 years old children are provided by an accredited child development worker.
- O. **Child-Friendly Municipality** – the municipality is a child-friendly when it is able to assure that all children possess the rights to survival, development, protection, and participation and that their needs are realized.
- P. **Child Protection Unit** – refers to one-stop shop building or unit for victims of violence against children and provides immediate assistance for medical, medico-legal, and psychosocial services. This is composed of Multi-Disciplinary Team which is composed of Social Worker, Women and Children Police Desk Officer (WCPD) and Municipal Health Officer.
- Q. **Corporal Punishment** – refers to punishment or penalty for an offense or imagined offense, and/or acts carried out to discipline, train or control a child, inflicted by an

adult or by another child. It includes physical and humiliating or degrading punishment such as, but not limited to:

1. Blows to any part of a child's body, such as beating, kicking, hitting, slapping, lashing, with or without the use of an instrument such as a cane, shoes, broom, stick, whip or belt;
2. Pinching, pulling ears or hair, shaking, twisting joints, cutting and showing hair perpetrated as a form of punishment for an offense committed by the child, carrying or dragging a child or throwing a child;
3. Forcing a child, through the use of power, authority or threats, to perform physically painful or damaging acts, such as holding a weight or weights for an extended period, kneeling in stones, salt or pebbles, squatting, standing or sitting in a converted position;
4. Deliberate neglect of a child's mental, emotional, physical, social and spiritual needs where this is intended as punishment.
5. Use of extreme substances, such as burning or freezing materials, water, smoke, pepper, alcohol, excrement or urine;
6. Confinement, including being shut in a confined space or material, tied up or forced to remain in one place for an extended period of time; or
7. Any other physical act perpetrated on a child's body, for the purpose of punishment of discipline, intended to cause some degree or pain or discomfort, however light humiliating and degrading punishment includes such acts but not limited to:
8. Any threat of physical punishment;
9. Being exploited including sexually or economically;
10. Being abandoned or neglected and after diligent search and inquiry, the parent or guardian cannot be found;
11. Coming from a dysfunctional or broken family or without a parent or guardian;
12. Being out of school;
13. Being a street child;
14. Being a member of a gang
15. Living in a community with a high level of criminality or drug abuse; and
16. Living in situations of armed conflict.

R. Development Rights – pertain to the access of a child to educational opportunities, access to relevant information, play, leisure, cultural activities, and the right to freedom of conscience and religion.

S. Differently-Able Children/Special Children or Children with Special Needs – are children with either physical or mental infirmities whether congenital or acquired after birth.

T. Deprivation of Liberty – refers to any form of detention or imprisonment, or placement of a child in conflict with the law in a custodial setting, from which the child is not permitted to leave.

U. Diversion – shall be to an alternative process of managing children in conflict with the law (CICL) without resorting to formal court system.

V. Diversion Program – shall refer to activities that the CICL are required to undergo after they have found responsible for an offense, without the child being made to undergo formal court litigation.

W. Exploitation Benefit Dance – refers to a dance promoted in the locality wherein children identified as benefit dancers are offered to dance with any partner upon payment or promise of payment of a certain amount.

- X. **Juvenile Justice** – refers to the legal procedures applied to children in conflict with the law starting from the initial contact of the child up to the integration of the child to family and community.
- Y. **Juvenile Justice System** – refers to the legal procedures starting from the initial contact including diversion proceedings, court proceedings after the filing of the proper information and until disposition of the case involving children in conflict with the law.
- Z. **Intervention** – refers to a series of activities which are designed to address issues that caused the children to commit an offense:
 - a. **Local Council for the Protection Children** – is a council organized by the LGU to serve as an umbrella organization for all children’s concerns focused at ensuring the survival, development, protection and participation of children and youth.
 - b. **Participation Rights** – includes the child’s right to be heard, freedom to express oneself in matters affecting his/her life as part of preparation for becoming a responsible adult; freedom of association; right to privacy; and right to age-appropriate and culturally sensitive information, all in accordance to the child’s evolving capacity;
 - c. **Positive Discipline** – refers to an approach to parenting that teaches children and guides their behavior, while respecting their rights to healthy development protection from violence and participation in their learning.
 - d. **Pre-school Education** – refers to education given at the age 3-4 years old and known to be the critical phase of child’s psychomotor development. It is also the phase when activities for development stimulation for children must be provided.
 - e. **Pre-school Services** – includes the following such as but not limited to programs, activities, initiatives, facilities, and similar undertakings to address needs of 3-4 years old children.
 - f. **Protection Rights** – cover those which guard children against all forms of child abuse, exploitation, and discrimination, in areas where a child is considered in extremely difficult circumstances.
 - g. **Rescue Team** – is an inter-agency team established in the LGU under the auspices of the LCPC/BCPC for cases involving children.
 - h. **Special Education** – refers to education of persons who are gifted or talented and those who have physical, mental, social, or sensory impairment and cultural differences so as to require modification of the school curricula, programs and special services and physical facilities to develop them to their maximum capacity.
 - i. **Survival Rights** – deal with the provision in relation to parental and governmental duties and liabilities, adequate living standard and access to basic health and health services and social security.
 - j. **Youth** – refers to a person regardless of sex, race, or religion, 15-24 years old, either out-of-school or in-school.
 - k. **Youth Rehabilitation Center** – is a 24-hour residential care facility managed by the Department of Social Welfare and Development, LGUs, licensed and/or

accredited NGOs monitored by the DSWD, which provides care, treatment, and rehabilitation services for children in conflict with the law.

ARTICLE II

SURVIVAL AND DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS

SECTION 6. REGISTRATION OF CHILD AT BIRTH – A child has the right to a name, nationality, and all the rights inherent to a citizen. Since civil registration is a basic framework in establishing the fundamental right to determine civil status of every citizen, the parents shall cause the early birth registration of the child with the Office of the Local Civil Registrar of the municipality where the child is born. To promote an effective and efficient timely registration of births and other vital events, the municipality in coordination with the Philippine Statistics Authority and barangays, shall implement the Barangay Civil Registration System (BCRS) pursuant to Republic Act No. 3753 or the Civil Registry Law.

SECTION 7. MOTHER AND CHILD CARE – The Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte through the Municipal Health Office/RHU shall provide technical assistance, updates, and augmentation support in line with the implementation of programs and services anchored to the survival and development rights of the child as follows:

A. Maternal Neonatal Child Health Care and Nutrition Program – The Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte shall strengthen the implementation of promotive, preventive, and curative health care services from conception until delivery to ensure the health of the mother and the child throughout the early childhood years. This shall include the provision of technical assistance and augmentation support to the following programs:

1. **Women's Health and Safe Motherhood Program/Community Health Team (CHT)** – The Program shall ensure fetal development and material well-being from pregnancy, delivery to post-partum period. This includes programs that would improve access to health facilities with **Basic Emergency Obstetric and Neonatal Care (BEMONC)**. The following activities are undertaken to ensure fetal and maternal welfare:

- a) Safe Motherhood Package which includes Delivery Kits and Newborn Screening Kits available in all health facilities.
- b) Pregnancy and newborn tracking.
- c) Review of Maternal Deaths and Neonatal Deaths.
- d) Conduct Newborn Screening.
- e) Conduct prenatal and post-partum visits.
- f) Provisions of Tetanus toxoid immunization.
- g) Family Planning Services.
- h) Promotion of Exclusive Breastfeeding.
- i) Promote establishment of birthing facilities where deliveries are handled by trained health personnel.
- j) Discourage handling of deliveries by hilots.
- k) Minimum Intervention Standard Package.

2. **Child Health and Nutrition Program** – The program shall provide for services to ensure children's full growth and development within the first 1000 days (0 to 2 years old). These include the following activities to wit: Expanded Program on Immunization, Environmental Sanitation, Infant and Youth Child Feeding, Nutritional Guidelines for Filipinos, Children's Growth Monitoring and Deworming.

1. First 100 days of Life Program.
2. Support timely and age appropriate, complementary feeding with continued breastfeeding from 7 months – 2 years old.

3. Formation of Breastfeeding Community Support Groups for both parents and wet nursing.
 4. Establishment of Women and Child Friendly Space in all Health and Non-health facilities.
 5. Oral Health.
 6. Targeted Supplementary Feeding Program.
3. **Micronutrient Supplementation Program (MSP)** – The Program shall be undertaken to ensure that women and children are protected from under nutrition and consequences of micronutrient deficiency such as Vitamin A Deficiency Disorder, Iron Deficiency Anemia, and Iodine Deficiency Disorder. Thus, the LGU supports the implementation of R.A. 8976 otherwise known as the Philippine Food Fortification Act of 2000. Moreover, to address under nutrition, supplemental feeding for 90-120 days are given to undernourished Pre-schoolers in selected municipalities. In support to the initiatives to ensure decrease in the incidence of micronutrient deficiency, the conduct of Garantisadong Pambata every April and October of every year shall be continued.

SECTION 8. ESTABLISHMENT OF DATA BANK FOR CHILDREN – The Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office, Municipal Health Office, Municipal Planning Development Office, Department of Education shall establish data banking for children with disaggregation by age, classification, in-school and out of school, Especially in Difficult Circumstances (CEDC), Child Labor, Street Children, Children in Armed Conflicts, and IPs.

1. The Barangay Council for the Protection of Children shall conduct a survey in their respective barangay. Barangay consolidated report shall be submitted to MSWDO in coordination with Municipal Planning and Development Office.
2. The Municipality through the MSWDO in coordination with Municipal Planning and Development Office shall formulate and provide template.

SECTION 9. OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM – The Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte through the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office in coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd) and Technical Education Skills Development Authority (TESDA) and Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) shall implement programs such as alternative literacy programs and technical skills training for the out-of-school youth and other disadvantaged youth to help them re-integrate to the regular school program and acquire technical skills that would help them become self-reliant, economically productive and socially responsible citizens.

1. The SK in coordination with DepEd Alternative Learning System (ALS) Coordinator shall conduct survey of Out-of-School Youth in every barangay.
2. The DepEd ALS Coordinator in coordination with the SK and Chairperson of the Committee on Education shall organize and implement ALS Program in every barangay (e.g. Basic Literacy, Accreditation and Equivalency Programs (A and E, Technical Skills Training), and conduct activities for Out-of-School Youth such as Summer Youth Encampment, Leadership and Basic Business Management Skills Training and Sports Development.
3. Alternative Learning Systems Programs shall be funded on a counterpart basis by DepEd and the LGU at all levels.
4. The PESO shall conduct public awareness on scholarships and job opportunities for in-school and out-of-school youth in the Municipality and Barangays.

SECTION 10. TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THE TEACHERS, HEALTH WORKERS, AND OTHER EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT (ECCD) PROVIDERS FOR THE SPECIAL PROGRAM

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CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS – Training Program for teachers and health workers for the Special Program on Children with Special Needs shall be part of the priority program of the Municipality.

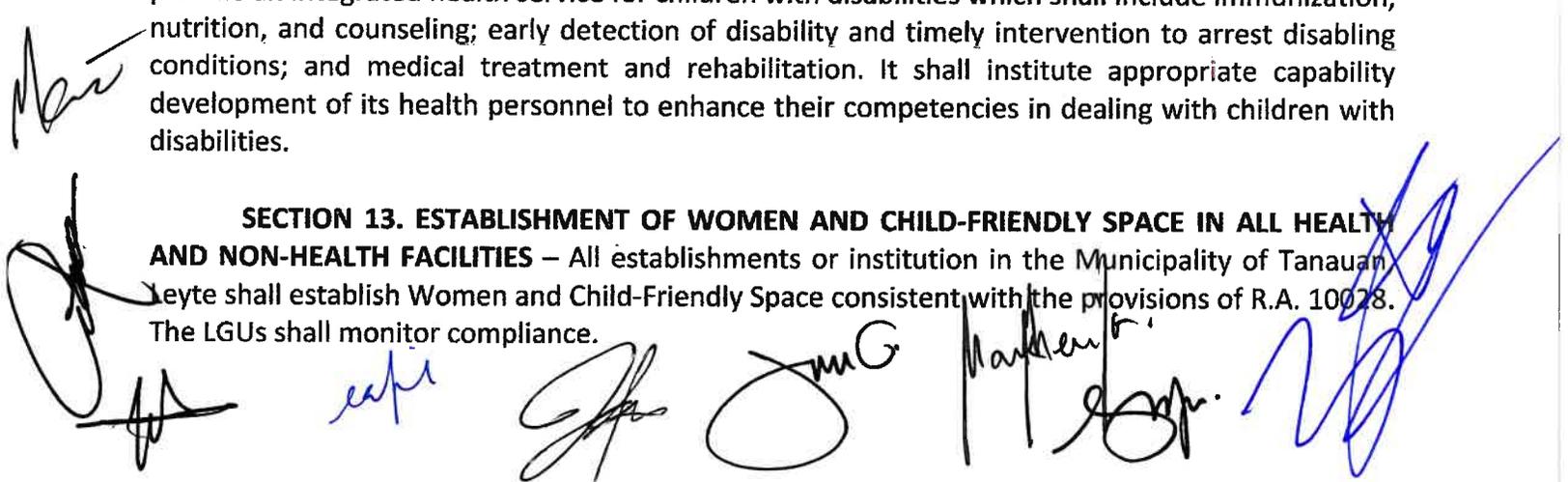
1. The LGU shall allocate funds for the training of Special Education teachers.
2. The LGU and other institutions shall allocate funds for the training of Health Workers and Child Development Services Coordinators.
3. Provide capability building activities, training, orientation to municipal child development service coordinator who will serve as resource persons in their respective municipalities.
4. Provide technical assistance on child development service implementation.
5. Extend funding/financial assistance for child development center construction, repair, and improvement. Setting up of child development center requires barangay counterpart such as but not limited to: lot as evidenced by a copy of the Deed of Donation of Sale attached to the Barangay Resolution, fund allocation.
6. Ensure that Child Development Centers are constructed based on the standard size, meeting minimum requirements for physical environment and safety as provided under Administrative Order No. 29 otherwise known as Standards for Day Care, other ECCD Centers and Service Providers.
7. Issue Municipal Executive Order on the proper hiring and replacement of barangay child development workers and ensuring their security of tenure and recognizing those with commendable accreditation rating.
8. The LGU shall not mobilize child development workers during disaster/relief operation to continue child development activities.
9. The LGU shall allocate funds for the structuring of child development center's supplies, learning facilities and materials.

SECTION 11. SUPPORT TO SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM (SPED) – The Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte shall support the SPED program being undertaken by the DepEd and shall ensure that SPED classes be set up in public school wherever necessary to allow different able children to enroll within nearby barangays.

1. DepEd shall require all SPED scholars to organize classes for children with special needs.
2. DepEd to establish friendly SPED centers for differently able children.
3. LGUs to allocate funds for the development of programs for differently able children.

SECTION 12. PROVISION OF INTEGRATED HEALTH SERVICE FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES – The Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte, through the Provincial Health Office, shall provide an integrated health service for children with disabilities which shall include immunization, nutrition, and counseling; early detection of disability and timely intervention to arrest disabling conditions; and medical treatment and rehabilitation. It shall institute appropriate capability development of its health personnel to enhance their competencies in dealing with children with disabilities.

SECTION 13. ESTABLISHMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD-FRIENDLY SPACE IN ALL HEALTH AND NON-HEALTH FACILITIES – All establishments or institution in the Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte shall establish Women and Child-Friendly Space consistent with the provisions of R.A. 10078. The LGUs shall monitor compliance.



SECTION 14. CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM FOR EDUCATIONS AND HEALTH SERVICE PROVIDERS – Training program for educators and health professionals handling children’s health, and differently-able children shall form part of the priority programs of the Municipality, hence, funds from the local government development shall be provided thereof.

1. Handling health related issues/concerns of children, adolescents, and youth.
2. Adolescent Job Aid Manual.
3. Formation of Peer Educators for Health (all age groups particularly adolescents).
4. To have a community where all persons with disabilities including children and their families have full access to inclusive and rehabilitation services.

SECTION 15. ADOLESCENT-FRIENDLY SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH PROGRAM – The Municipal Health Office, shall formulate an adolescence-friendly sexual and reproductive health program involving access to information and services related to prevention of early pregnancy, sexual-transmitted disease and infections, HIV/AIDS, and with services for teenage mothers, pregnant girls as well as promotion of sexual health and rights to compliance to the provisions of R.A. 10354 also known as the Reproductive Health Law.

The Municipal Government shall endeavor to establish teen centers within the municipality with high schools for information, counseling, and referral.

The Municipal Government, through its Municipal Social Welfare Office, in coordination with national line agencies such as DEPED and NGOs shall take the lead in planning and implementing the programs to be in place in the teen centers.

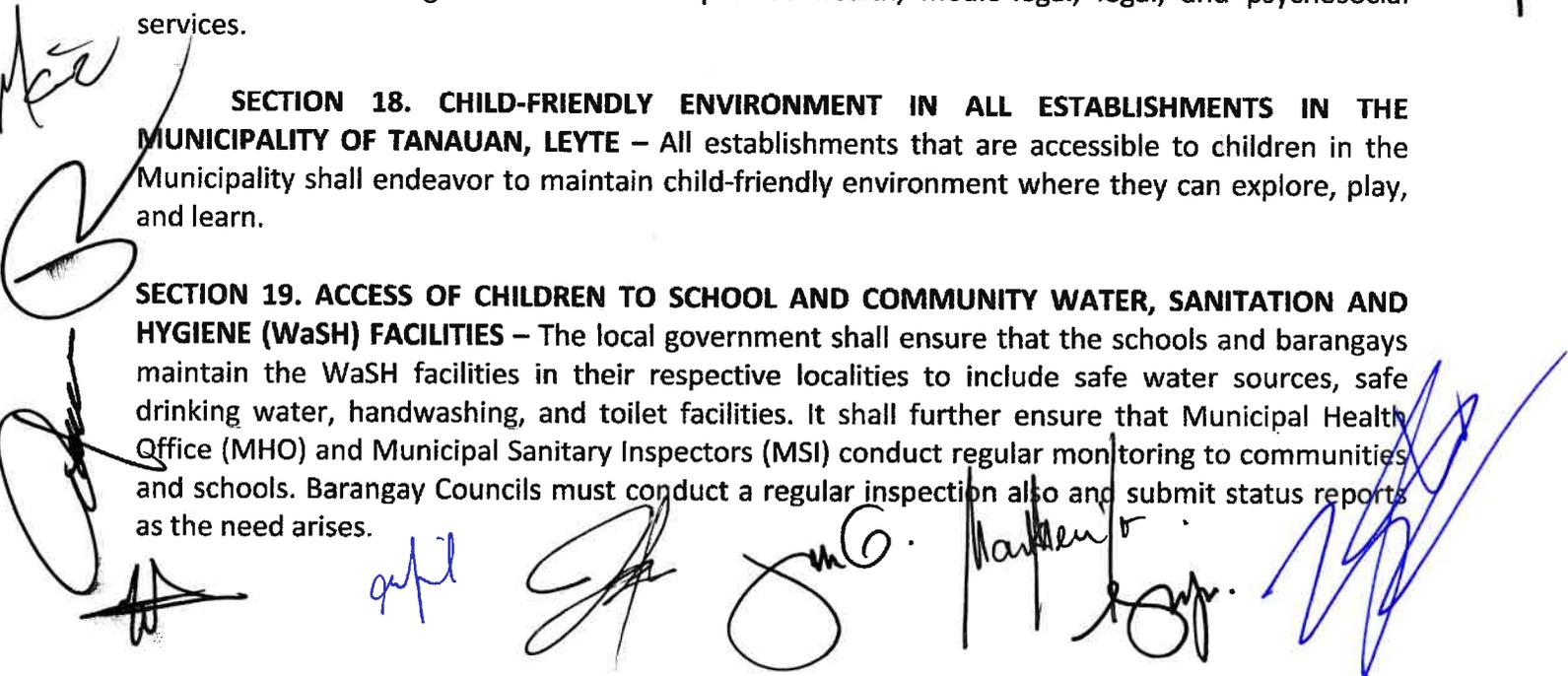
1. Syndromic Approach for Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) in RHU should be made accessible by children anytime.

SECTION 16. MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH – The Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte through the Municipal Social Worker Development and Rural Health Unit should manage children and youth who are mentally challenged or those with mental illness. A mental health program must be included in the Municipal Local Health Investment Plan.

SECTION 17. CHILD-FRIENDLY HEALTH FACILITIES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TANAUAN, LEYTE – All hospitals, lying-in clinics, birthing homes, and other health facilities in the Municipality should be child-friendly. Hospitals shall have children’s ward that have child-friendly personnel including rooming-in and breastfeeding facilities, pediatric – appropriate mechanisms and gadgets. Hospitals shall also establish their Child Protection Units, which shall serve as a one-stop shop for victims of violence against children and provide health, medio-legal, legal, and psychosocial services.

SECTION 18. CHILD-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT IN ALL ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TANAUAN, LEYTE – All establishments that are accessible to children in the Municipality shall endeavor to maintain child-friendly environment where they can explore, play, and learn.

SECTION 19. ACCESS OF CHILDREN TO SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WaSH) FACILITIES – The local government shall ensure that the schools and barangays maintain the WaSH facilities in their respective localities to include safe water sources, safe drinking water, handwashing, and toilet facilities. It shall further ensure that Municipal Health Office (MHO) and Municipal Sanitary Inspectors (MSI) conduct regular monitoring to communities and schools. Barangay Councils must conduct a regular inspection also and submit status reports as the need arises.



SECTION 20. The Department of Education shall implement supporting programs (Alternative Learning System, ABOT ALAM, GUIDANCE PROGRAM) to improve children’s access to quality formal, non-formal and alternative basic education for the differently able person, LGBT children, young children, Muslim children, IP children, children in conflict with the law, children in prostitution, working children, out-of-school children, street children, children in poor communities, internally displaced children, children in disaster prone and conflict-affected areas, unregistered/undocumented children among;

- The school shall furnish a copy of School Improvement Plan to Local School Board.
- The Local School Board shall prepare an annual educational plan to support DepEd programs and projects.

SECTION 21. The Local Council for the Protection of Children Technical Working Group shall promote and ensure safe, hazard-free and violence-free schools, and child development centers and other learning institutions and facilities.

ARTICLE III

PROTECTION RIGHTS

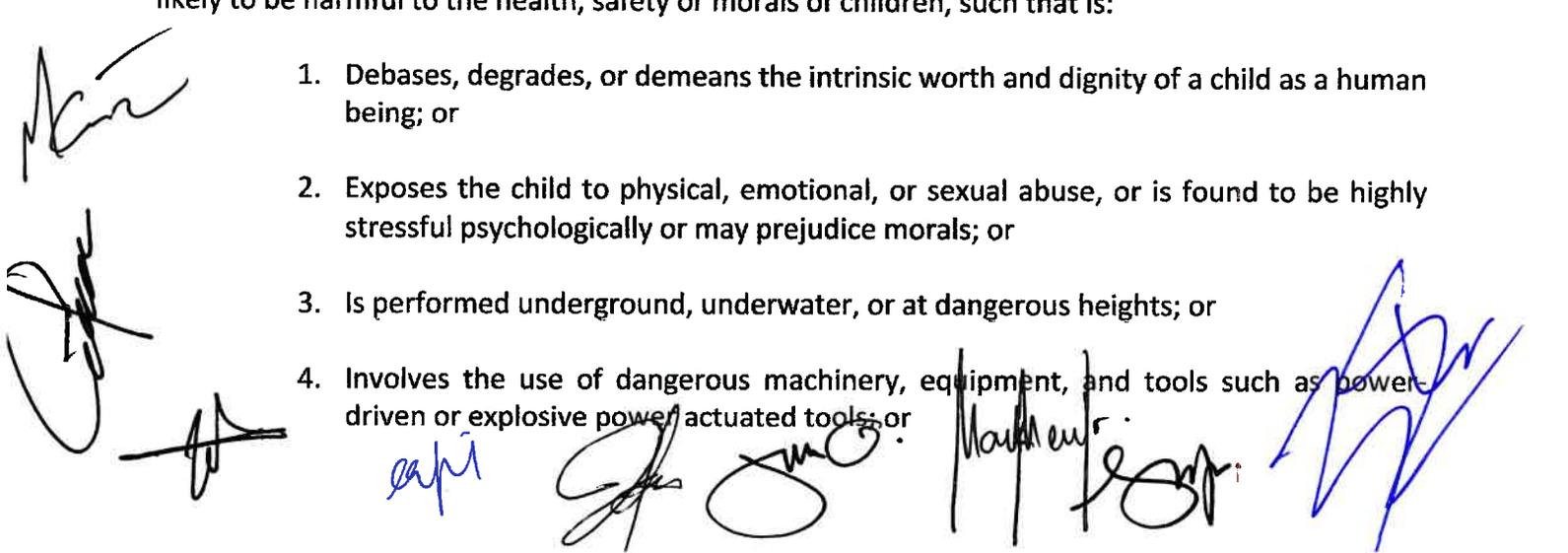
SECTION 22. PROHIBITION AGAINST WORST FORMS OF CHILD LABOR – No child below fifteen (15) years of age shall be employed or allowed to work, except when he/she works directly under the sole responsibility of the child’s parents or guardians, and his/her employment or work does not in any way interfere with the schooling or is non-hazardous.

A hazardous work is one where the employee or worker is exposed to any risk which constitutes an imminent danger to his life, safety, health, and morals.

The phrase “worst forms of child labor” shall refers to any of the following as stated in R.A. 9231:

1. All forms of slavery, as defined under the R.A. 9208 or the “Anti-trafficking in Persons Act of 2003”, or practices similar to slavery such as sale and trafficking of children as defined in R.A. 7610, debt bondage and serfdom and forced or compulsory labor, including recruitment of children in armed conflict; or
2. The use, procuring, offering, or exposing of a child for prostitution, for the production of pornography or for pornographic performances; or
3. The use, procuring or offering of a child for illegal or illicit activities, including the production and trafficking of dangerous drugs and violate substances prohibited under existing laws; or
4. Work which, by its nature or the circumstances in which it is carried out, is hazardous or likely to be harmful to the health, safety or morals of children, such that is:

1. Debases, degrades, or demeans the intrinsic worth and dignity of a child as a human being; or
2. Exposes the child to physical, emotional, or sexual abuse, or is found to be highly stressful psychologically or may prejudice morals; or
3. Is performed underground, underwater, or at dangerous heights; or
4. Involves the use of dangerous machinery, equipment, and tools such as power-driven or explosive power actuated tools; or



5. Exposes the child to physical danger such as, but not limited to the dangerous feats of balancing, physical strength of condition, or which requires the manual transport of heavy loads; or
6. Is performed in an unhealthy environment exposing the child to hazardous working conditions, elements, substances, co-agents, or processes involving ionizing radiation, fire, flammable substances, noxious components and the like, or to extreme temperatures, noise levels, or vibrations; or
7. Is performed under particularly difficult conditions; or
8. Exposes the child to biological agents such as bacteria, fungi, viruses, protozoans, nematodes, and other parasites; or
9. Involves the manufacturing or handling of explosives and other pyrotechnic products.

A. EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN

1. For employment of children as domestic helpers ages 17 years and younger the employers shall first secure before engaging such child a work permit from DOLE that shall ensure observance of the welfare of the child. Provisions under R.A. 10361 or the Batas Kasambahay of 2013 shall then apply.
2. No person shall employ a child to act as a model in all forms of commercials and an advertisement promoting alcoholic beverages, intoxicating drinks, tobacco and it's by products.

Children found working in violation of the above provisions shall be rescued and provided with the appropriate interventions. The Municipal Government of Tanauan, Leyte in coordination with the National and Regional Agencies shall initiate appropriate training for members of the PNP and Barangay Tanods/Barangay Peacekeeping Action Teams (BPATs).

SECTION 23. The Local Government Unit (LGU) shall intervene on behalf of the child when the parent, legal guardian, or person having custody of the child fails, or is unable to protect the child against abuse or exploitation. The LGU shall assist the barangay if necessary.

SECTION 24. PROVISION OF A SEPARATE CELL FOR CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW – The municipality shall provide a separate cell for children in conflict with the law to insulate them from the company and influence of hard-core criminals.

SECTION 25. COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM OR CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW – The Municipal Government shall ensure a comprehensive program for children in conflict with the law pursuant to R.A. 9344 or the Juvenile Justice Welfare Act of 2006 as amended by R.A. 10630 through the following:

- a. Establishment of Bahay Pag-asa in the Municipality.
- b. Intervention and Diversion Programs – The programs shall include the provisions of basic needs, food, and clothing, health services, security and transportation. (refer to DSWD Guidelines and provisions in R.A. 9344)
- c. Other programs for CICL

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SECTION 26. ESTABLISHMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN PROTECTION DESK (WCPD) –

The Police Station, Barangays within the municipality shall establish a Women and Children Protection Desk managed by policewomen/brgy official to receive complaints, problems, and assist victims of abuses. The LGU/Philippine National Police shall assist in strengthening and monitoring sustainability of Women and Children Protection Desk in all areas within the Municipality.

SECTION 27. REPORTING AND COVERAGE OF CASES INVOLVING CHILDREN –

Media practitioners have the duty to maintain the highest ethical and professional standards in reporting and covering cases of children and should observe that in all publicity concerning children, the best interest of the children shall be the primordial and paramount concern. Media practitioners shall at all times adhere to the guidelines on responsible reporting and coverage of cases involving children.

SECTION 28. PROGRAM ON CHILD ABUSE EXPLOITATION AND DISCRIMINATION –

There shall be a comprehensive program to be formulated by the LCPC in coordination with other government agencies, the private sector of NGOs concerned to protect children against worst form of child labor, child trafficking, obscene publication, indecent shows and other acts of abuse and circumstances which endanger child survival and normal development.

The program shall cover the strict implementation of the provisions of PD 603, otherwise known as "The Child Welfare Code" and R.A. 7610 as amended, otherwise known as "An Act providing for stronger deterrence and special protection against child abuse, exploitation and discrimination, providing penalties for its violation, and for other purposes," and all other laws affording protection against child exploitation.

Any concerned person who has knowledge on child abuse case shall have the responsibility to report to LGU offices either to LCPC/BCPC, MSWDO, MHO, PNP, and Schools.

The Local Government Unit (LGU) shall intervene on behalf of the child when the parent, legal guardian, or person having custody of the child fails, or is unable to protect the child against abuse or exploitation. The LGU shall assist the municipality/city if necessary.

SECTION 29. PROHIBITION OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT –

The use of corporal punishment which includes emotional, degrading and humiliating punishment on children shall be prohibited in home, early childhood development facilities and child development centers and facilities, community centers, sports teams and centers, government units and in other places where there are children.

Parents, nannies, house helpers and caregivers, foster parents, guardians, relatives who have custody of the child, or other persons legally responsible for the child, including those exercising special or substitute parental authority, school teachers, personnel and officers of both public and private academic and vocational institutions, employers and supervisors or churches, or any other person under whose care the child has been entrusted to and who inflicts corporal punishment on the child shall be liable in accordance with existing penal laws.

Offenders shall be referred to the MSWDOs for assessment of appropriate intervention programs such as seminars or counseling sessions on children's rights and positive and non-violent discipline of children, anger management, and referrals to other rehabilitative services.

SECTION 30. PROMOTION OF POSITIVE DISCIPLINE –

The LGU and the line agencies shall develop a comprehensive program to promote discipline in lieu of corporal punishment of children. A continuing information dissemination campaign and capacity building shall be conducted in schools, communities, and municipality relative to its techniques and benefits among parents, teachers, and other caregivers.

This code encourages DepEd and other schools within the municipality to establish a child protection committee to handle cases and issues related to child welfare. Schools must add in its policies special consideration to working children, differently-able children, LGBT, children from indigenous communities, Muslims and other religion.

SECTION 31. REGULATION ON CHILDREN'S EXPOSURE TO COMMERCIAL ELECTRONIC PORNOGRAPHY AND VIOLENCE – All internet cafes shall keep their facilities transparent and/or open to view to deter customers especially children from accessing pornographic sites and violent online games. Operators who maintain enclosed and/or non-transparent cubicles or rooms shall be subjected to possible cancellation of business permits in addition to the penalty provided in Section 29 hereof. The LGU shall conduct regular monitoring on the implementation of E-Pornography and other similar instances.

The LGU Public Employment Service Office (PESO) in coordination with DOLE and other relevant agencies shall create a monitoring mechanism on the number on the number, nature of employment and status of employed children. Reports of which shall be submitted to the Local Chief Executive so that appropriate interventions can be made when necessary.

SECTION 32. RIGHTS OF CHILDREN RESCUED FOR REASONS RELATED TO ARMED CONFLICTS – Any child involved in armed conflicts who is rescued shall be regarded as a victim and shall be accorded the following rights:

- a. Treated with respect and in a child-sensitive manner.
- b. Immediate tracing of and reunification with the victim's family if separated.
- c. Immediate access to culturally-sensitive and appropriate health services, psychosocial services and rehabilitation and reintegration program, including alternative parental care if needed. Separate temporary shelters from adults except where families are accommodated together.
- d. Interventions for children of Muslim and Indigenous People shall be provided in recognition of the traditional structures and institutions and communities.
- e. Access to education programs that are appropriate to his or her needs.
- f. Immediate free legal assistance and physical security upon rescue.
- g. Immediate notice of such rescue should be given to the parents or guardians of the child.
- h. Turn-over the child to MSWDO or any responsible member of the community e.g Religious group, CSO, LCPC.

SECTION 33. MONITORING AND REPORTING OF CHILDREN IN SITUATIONS OF ARMED CONFLICT, DISASTERS, AND CALAMITIES – The Chairperson or any designated official of the barangay affected by armed conflict, disasters, and calamities shall submit the names, sex, and birthday of the children as well as children separated from their families and residing in said barangay to the Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (MDRRMC), which shall then forward the data to the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO) within a reasonable time from the occurrence of the armed conflict, disasters, and calamities.

SECTION 34. COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY PROGRAM – As stipulated in the Republic Act 10821 also known as the Children's Emergency Relief and Protection Act of 2016, the Municipal/Barangay must ensure the protection of children's particular needs before, during and after emergencies. The program should be gender and child sensitive and have the following:

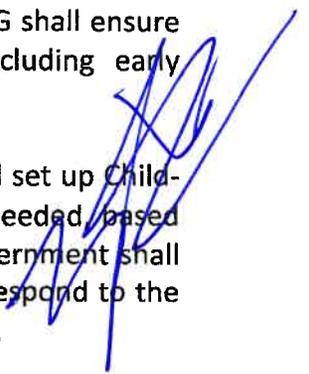
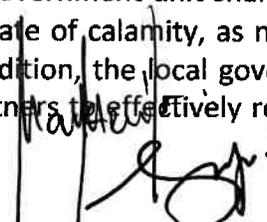
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- a. **Establishment of Evacuation Centers** – The LGU shall establish and identify safe locations as evacuation centers for children and families in accordance with R.A. 10121 and R.A. 10821 which says that schools can only used as a last resort and if utilized, there are only specific areas that can be occupied and the school can only be used for a maximum of 15 days.
- b. **Establishment of Transitional Shelters for Orphaned, Separated, and Unaccompanied Children** – The LGU shall establish an option for transitional shelters, prioritizing vulnerable and marginalized groups including orphaned, separated, and unaccompanied children and pregnant and lactating mothers. New transitional shelters shall be designed with the following considerations: gender-specific emergency latrine, bathing cubicles, and hand washing facilities specifically designed for children. It shall provide mother and child-friendly spaces where children can take part in child activities. It shall also have provisions for maternal and newborn and infant care and rooms to protect and feed. Provide personal care and ensure the right to privacy. Existing transitional shelters shall be modified to the extent possible to comply with the abovementioned considerations.
- c. **Assurance for Immediate Delivery of Basic Necessities and Services** – The Program shall facilitate and ensure the immediate delivery of basic necessities and services specifically required by the affected children in different stages of development such as access to basic health services, food, water, nutrition, medicines, clothing, sanitary and hygiene kits, and other emergency needs such as blankets, mosquito nets, cooking ware, fuel and flashlights. The Program shall give priority to the specific health and nutrition needs of pregnant women, lactating mothers, newborn babies, children under five years old and children with special needs and protection.
- d. **Stronger Measures to Ensure the Safety and Security of Affected Children** – The LGU shall come up with measures and protocols to monitor and ensure the safety and the security of the affected children including and not limited to children with disability and with special needs and protection in time of calamities and also ensure protection of children against all forms of violence, abuse and exploitation.

The LGUs shall prioritize the establishment and functionality of the Barangay Violence Against Women and Children (VAWC) desks. The VAWC desk shall serve as one of the key reporting and referral mechanism for cases of violence, abuse, and exploitation of children in the barangay during all phases of emergency response and recovery.

Children shall be given priority during evacuation as a result of a disaster or other emergency situation. Existing CSOs in the community shall be tapped to look after the safety and well-being of children during evacuation operations. Measures shall be taken to ensure that children evacuated are accompanied by person responsible for their safety and well-being.

- e. **Delivery of Health and Nutrition Services** – The LGU shall provide the health and nutritional needs of children in the areas declared under the state of calamity, including psychosocial interventions for children in different stages of development.
- f. **Plan of Action for Prompt Resumption of Educational Services for Children** – The Department of Education (DepEd) in coordination with the MSWDO, DILG shall ensure the prompt resumption of educational services for all children, including early childhood care and development for children aged below five (5).
- g. **Establishment of Child-Friendly Spaces** – The local government unit shall set up Child-Friendly Spaces in every barangay declared under state of calamity, as needed, based on the guidelines to be promulgated by LCPC. In addition, the local government shall coordinate with lead agencies and development partners to effectively respond to the



needs of the children in the area. Child-Friendly Spaces shall be made available throughout a crisis, from emergencies to recovery.

In case the concerned barangay cannot immediately respond due to the huge impact of disaster, the MSWDO shall provide the necessary child care service and social protection of affected children.

h. **Promotion of Children's Right** – The Program shall include activities and processes that will promote and uphold the rights of children by:

1. Providing child-centered training for all responders;
2. Ensuring that children are provided with adequate access to age appropriate information on their roles and responsibilities and those of government agencies before, during and after disasters and other emergency situations;
3. Providing for an effective mechanism for training and meaningful participation of children in community disaster risk reduction program; and
4. Consulting with the affected children on their needs and priorities for post-disaster relief and recovery.

i. **Services for orphaned, unaccompanied, or separated Children** – The LCPC shall develop a minimum set of standards and guidelines for the Family Tracing Reunification System of unaccompanied and separated children.

Orphaned children, and unaccompanied, or separated children whose families or relatives cannot be found or assessed to be incapable of providing proper care and protection shall be placed in a licensed or accredited residential care facility or with a foster family in accordance with Article 140 of the Child Youth Welfare Code, or a community-based center. A registered social worker shall provide the needed case management and intervention.

j. **System of Restoring Civil Registry Documents** – To ensure that vital information pertaining to the personal circumstances of a child are adequately protected and available at all times, the Local Civil Registrar shall develop a system for the restoration and reconstruction of civil registry documentations that have been destroyed or declared lost or missing during a disaster or calamity.

The local Civil Registrar shall submit a report on the number of restored or reconstructed documents to appropriate government agencies for effective monitoring and reporting to ensure the continued access of the affected children to social services and facilitate the reunification of separated children with their families. It shall likewise develop a system for the registration of children born during a nation or local state of calamity.

k. **Training of Emergency Responders on Child Protection** – The local DRRMC shall promote and conduct a child-responsive training program for all responders in the calamity area such as community and barangay leaders, community members, school personnel and other rescuers. The training program shall include the following:

1. Proper procedures and measures to access the situation, safeguard and protect the affected children during and after emergencies and disasters.
2. Appropriate training on psycho-social interventions for children in different stages of development who are victims of calamities.

3. Each member agency shall include or mainstream child protection in the emergency response training to service providers.

- I. **Data Gathering Monitoring, and Report** – The LCPC shall come up with a report taken from agencies mandated under R.A. 10821 to monitor and report on implementation of services under the Program and submit the same to the Local Chief Executive annually. The report shall include a specific Section on pregnant women and children under five years of age as a strategy for ensuring to address the post-disaster nutrition needs of children and pregnant women.

In the aftermath of a national or local state of calamity, the collection and reporting of data for the Disaster Risk Reduction Management Information System at all levels, as provided for in Republic Act No. 10121 shall be disaggregated by age, gender, ethnicity, and special needs. Such collected data shall be utilized to understand and respond better to the needs of children affected by disasters and calamities.

Within five (5) days from the declaration of a national state of calamity or as soon as practicable, the MSWDO and the Barangay Affairs Unit shall jointly submit written documentation and report on their surveillance and monitoring activities to the Sangguniang Bayan.

Appropriations to the Comprehensive Emergency Program – The implementation of the program under R.A. 10821 shall be charged against the 5% Calamity Fund of the Local Government.

ARTICLE IV

PARTICIPATION RIGHTS

SECTION 35. The LGU shall enjoin the BGUs to encourage the child's freedom to express oneself in matters affecting his/her life by supporting political, religious, socio-cultural and community development activities which will develop child's mental and physical capabilities in preparation for adulthood.

SECTION 36. MUNICIPAL FEDERATION OF SANNGUNIANG KABATAAN SHALL PROMOTE CHILDREN'S RIGHTS – The Sangguniang Kabataan shall be the potent partner in the promotion of children's rights, and therefore, it shall be equipped with the necessary leadership skills through training and capability-building to be facilitated by DILG in cooperation with the municipal LGUs and LCPCs.

SECTION 37. Participation rights of differently-able, out-of-school youths, LGBTs, CIDL, IPs shall be given special attention by concerned agencies such as the DOH, DepEd, and DSWD in coordination with the Municipal Government, LCPCs, private sector and other CSOs focusing on children's concern through skills, training, and related activities at the early stage so they can be mainstreamed in the society. The Municipal Government acknowledges that every child has the right to be heard in all matters affecting them and to have their views taken seriously.

SECTION 38. RIGHT TO ORGANIZE – Organization and Federation of Barangay Children's Association: The LGU shall encourage the organization and federation of children's association in the community and in school and promote their participation in socio-cultural, economic activities, given that it does not hamper children's education and health. The LGU must recognize the children's association.

1. DILG Memo to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan/Sangguniang Bayan/Sangguniang Panglungsod to recognize the children's association provided that they can comply with (1) list of membership, (2) list of officers, (3) minutes of the meeting and (4) Constitution and By-Laws; and be given representation in special bodies in the local

government – Local Health Board, Local School Board, LCPC, Local Peace and Order Council, LDC, DRRMC.

2. The Barangay Children’s Association federation shall submit a resolution to the Sangguniang Bayan for them to be recognized and accredited at the municipality.
3. The accredited children’s groups can also apply for accreditation if they desire so that they can participate in the Municipal Development Council.
4. Children should identify programs and activities that are of interest to them and that can enhance their self-esteem such as but not limited to summer camps, children’s dialogue, sports fest, symposium, art literary, and musical activities in consultation and in coordination with the LCPC.
5. LCPC should monitor the organization of children’s group along with their programs and activities.
6. LCPCs in coordination with DepEd, DSWD, DOH, and other concerned agencies should provide financial and capability building support for child leaders to train second liners.

SECTION 39. ORGANIZATION OF CHILDREN’S ASSOCIATION – The LGU through the shall encourage the organization of children’s association in the community and in school and promote their participation in socio-cultural activities.

SECTION 40. CHILDREN’S MONTH CELEBRATION. In accordance with RA NO. 10661, the Municipality of Tanauan shall celebrate National Children’s Month every November to recognize the rights of Filipino Children and promote their welfare and development. The Municipal Social and Welfare Development Office (MSWDO), in coordination with the Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC), DepEd Schools Division, Barangay Councils for the protection of Children (BCPCs), and other stakeholders, shall spearhead activities for Children’s Month Celebration.

SECTION 41. RIGHT OF CHILDREN TO INFORMATION – Programs affecting and benefiting children should be widely disseminated as possible to include schools and communities and other platforms where children have access to information. Awareness raising and information drive on the provisions of this code shall be intensified through the use of mainstream and social media; and other awareness-raising activities in coordination with the LGUs, schools, NGOs, and people’s organizations to usher in the integration of the same in the plans, programs, and activities of all stakeholders in the Municipality of Tanauan, Leyte. This shall be done by DSWD as the lead agency in coordination with other agencies like DOLE, DILG, Population Office, DepEd.

SECTION 42. RIGHT TO FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND OPINION – A yearly Parent and Youth Camp or other related programs shall be initiated by the LCPCs to encourage communication, thresh out problems, and issue between/among adult and children. This should be reflected in the Annual Work and Financial Plan of the LCPC. This should include education of parents on children’s right to expression and opinion.

SECTION 43. CHILDREN OF INDIGENIOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES – Indigenous cultural communities whose members are bound by a common ethnic origin, language, culture, or religion or belief and whose existence as a distinct community with its own particular characteristics should be preserved.

- a. Children of indigenous cultural communities shall be entitled to protection, survival, and development consistent with the customs and traditions of their respective communities.

- b. The Local Council for the protection of children shall develop and institutionalize an alternative system of education. Children can be enrolled in any private or public school in the municipality according to the choices of their parents.
- c. The delivery of basic social services in health and nutrition to children shall also be extended to this indigenous cultural community. Hospital and health institutions should give equal attention to these children.
- d. Any person who discriminates against children of indigenous cultural communities shall be dealt with pursuant to Article IX of R.A. 7610.

ARTICLE V

PROHIBITED ACTS

SECTION 44. PROHIBITION ACTS – In addition to all acts defined and penalized under Republic Act No. 7610 (Special Protection of Children Against Abuse, Exploitation, and Discrimination Acts, as amended by Republic Act No. 9231); Republic Act No. 7658 (An Act Prohibiting the Employment of Children below 15 years of age, amending Section 12 of R.A. 7610); Republic Act No. 9208 (Anti-trafficking in Person's Act of 2003); Republic Act No. 9262 (Anti-Violence against Women and their Children Act Of 2004); and other pertinent laws, the following acts shall likewise be prohibited and punishable.

- a. Child Trafficking - Any person who shall travel with a child not his//her relative within the fourth civil degree without clearance from the Department of Social Welfare and Development Office or written permit or clearance from the child's parent or legal guardian shall be punished. There is a presumption of illegal trafficking when a person is found together with a child or minor not his/her relative without the said clearance or permit at the airport or port of exit for the purpose of traveling to other destination.
- b. Employment of Children – Allowing a child to work as porter (kargador), pedicab driver, motorized tricycle driver, motorboat operator or as an assistant, peddlers, farm laborers, laborer in construction work or in quarrying activities as a stone splitter and other similar activities which are hazardous and/or hamper the child's education and development.
- c. Discrimination of Illegitimate Children – It shall be prohibited for schools to discriminate illegitimate children including, but not limited to the following:
 - 1. Refusal to accept enrollment of illegitimate children in school by reason of one's illegitimacy.
 - 2. Requiring the marriage contract of parents in the enrollment of the child.
- d. Expulsion by Reason of Pregnancy – No school shall impose the penalty of expulsion against a child who has complied with academic requirements by reason of pregnancy.
- e. Not allowing a child graduate by reason of Pregnancy – No school shall disallow a child to graduate by reason of pregnancy after having complied with all academic requirements. Refusal to issue a clearance by reason of pregnancy is likewise prohibited.
- f. Sexual Exploitation of Children – Sexual exploitation of children by any person is prohibited. Persuading children to do public display of lascivious conduct shall be considered prima facie evidence of sexual exploitation.
- g. Entry, Selling, Distribution, Patronage, and Showing of Pornographic and Violent Multi-Media Materials – The Local Council for the Protection of Children, Local Law Enforcers shall monitor and prevent the entry of pornographic and violent multi-media materials.

It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, distribute, patronize, and show such materials.

- h. Computer shops/Internet Cafes – All computer shops and/or internet cafes are prohibited from allowing school children to use the facility during school days from 7 o'clock in the morning to 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Children doing research work may be allowed provided they present written permission from their teachers or parents/guardians, and shall be closely supervised by the owner/manager. Signage to this effect shall be conspicuously posted in the establishment. Any violation hereof by the establishment shall be penalized with a suspension of the business permit for fifteen (15) days for the first offense; one (1) month suspension of business permit for the second offense; and cancelation of the business permit for the third offense. ***It is further prohibited to establish computer shops and internet cafes within 200 meters of any elementary and secondary school premise and/or depending on the municipal ordinance. This provision shall not in any way amend, modify, or repeal a different time, daily schedule, and penalty provision of a similar ordinance with Local Government Unit (LGU) which shall continue to be in force and effect.***
- i. Selling and/or Giving Liquor, Cigarettes, Rugby, and other Substances to Children – It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or give liquor, cigarette, rugby, or any addictive substance to a child.
- j. Children shall be prohibited at cockpit premises and shall not be allowed in participating in any cockfight.
- k. Peonage of Children – Offering a child or the service of the child as payment for a debt or in exchange for a favor, such as but not limited to:
 - 1. Working in agricultural farms.
 - 2. Working as house helpers.
- l. Pushing/Entering Children/Minors to Live-In Arrangement – It shall be unlawful for any person to entice, encourage, and/or push children to live together with any person as husband and wife in exchange for money or any other consideration.
- m. Physical and other degrading forms of punishment – Subjecting a child to physical and degrading forms of punishment such as, but not limited to the following:
 - 1. Directing a child to kneel on salt or other similar granular object.
 - 2. Shaving the head of the child.
 - 3. Harsh whipping of the child with a stick, belt, and other similar object.
 - 4. Tying up the child, placing him/her inside a sack, locking him/her up in a cabinet or any closed structure, otherwise detaining him/her.
 - 5. Pulling the hair of the child.
 - 6. Throwing objects such as, but not limited to erasers, chalk, and notebook at the child.
 - 7. Causing the child to stand under the heat of the sun.
 - 8. Directing the child to stand in front of the class as punishment of an act or omission.
 - 9. Defamatory utterances directed to the child.

10. Disallowing enrollment of children on temporary status due to absence of birth certificate.
11. Disallowing children from taking examinations by reason of non-submission of projects.
12. Posting of names of pupils of students anywhere in the classroom and or in the campus due to non-payment of any voluntary contributions and/or school fees.

Any person who commits any of the above-mentioned prohibited acts shall be penalized with a fine of not less than One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) and not more than Thousand Pesos (P2,500) or an imprisonment of not less than six (6) months and not more than one (1) year or both such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.

ARTICLE VI

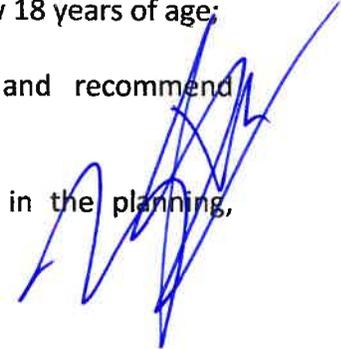
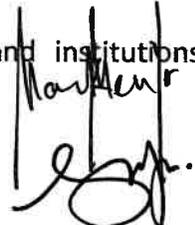
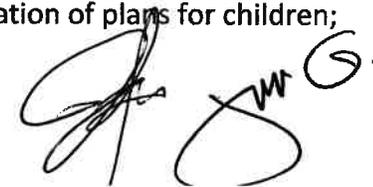
SPECIAL CONCERNS

SECTION 45. ORGANIZATION, FUNCTION, AND STRENGTHENING OF LOCAL COUNCILS FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN – The Municipal Council for the Protection of Children and the Barangay Council for the Protection of Children shall be organized at the Municipal and Barangay Level respectively. The composition of the Municipal Council for the Protection of Children shall be as follows.

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| Chairperson: | -Municipal Mayor |
| Co-Chair: | -Sangguniang Bayan Member (Chairperson, Committee on Women, Children, and Family Relations) |
| Members: | -MLGOO, DILG
-MSWDO
-PESO
-Leyte Schools Division Superintendent, DepEd
-Municipal Planning and Development Officer
-Municipal Budget Officer
-Municipal Health Officer
-Municipal Chief Officer, PNP
-Municipal Treasurer
-ABC President
-SK Federation President
-Municipal Gender and Development Focal Person
-At least three (3) representatives from private sector, two (2) of whom are appointed by the Committee handling ECCD programs and one (1) from the labor union sector. |

Functions of LCPCs:B

1. Formulate plans, programs, and policies for children that are gender-fair, culturally relevant and responsive to the needs of diverse group from 0 to below 18 years of age;
2. Prepare Annual Work and Financial Plan (AWFP) for children and recommend appropriations to the Sanggunian;
3. Provide coordinative linkage with other agencies and institutions in the planning, monitoring, and evaluation of plans for children;



4. Provide technical assistance and recommend financial support to the lower level Councils;
5. Establish and maintain database on children in the area responsibility;
6. Recommend local legislations promoting child survival, protection, participation, and development especially on the quality of television shows and media prints and coverage, with appropriate funding support;
7. Conduct capability building programs to enhance knowledge and skills in handling children's programs;
8. Monitor and evaluate the implementation of programs and submit reports to appropriate agency;
9. Perform such other functions as provided for in the ECCD Law and other related laws.

A. Technical Working Group (TWG) is hereby created with technical personnel/representatives from the following offices:

- Chairperson: - Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office
- Members: -MILGO
-Municipal Planning and Development Office
-Municipal Health Office
-Department of Education-
-Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office
-Municipal Chief Police Office
-NGO Representative
-Child Representative

The Technical Working Group shall perform the following functions:

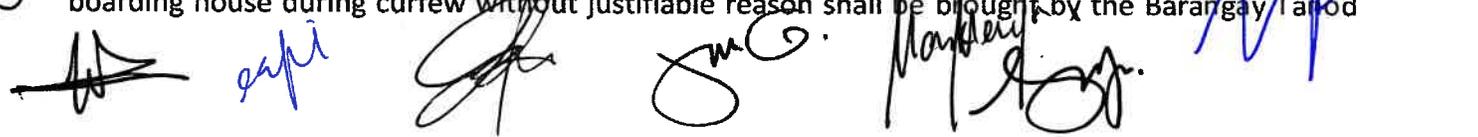
1. Provide technical and administrative support to the Municipal Council for the Protection of Children;
2. Monitor implementation of plans and programs geared toward addressing children's rights and development;
3. Perform other functions as may be directed.

SECTION 46. ORGANIZATION AND MONITORING ON THE FUNCTIONALITY OF THE LOCAL COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN – The LGU shall ensure the organization of the LCPC. Pursuant to DILG MC 2008-126, the Inter-Agency monitoring task force shall monitor functionality of the councils.

SECTION 47. MANDATORY CAPABILITY BUILDING FOR MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN – To ensure efficiency and effectiveness, all members of the Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) from the Municipality and barangay shall undergo formal child protection and welfare trainings.

SECTION 48. CHILDREN ENGAGED IN ANTI-SOCIAL RELATED ACTIVITIES – Children found engaging in Anti-social Related Activities shall be rescued and provided with the appropriate interventions by the MSWDO.

SECTION 49. CURFEW – 10:00 P.M. to 5:00 A.M. Minors caught outside their residence or boarding house during curfew without justifiable reason shall be brought by the Barangay Tanod



to the barangay hall/outpost or police station for safekeeping. Their parents or guardians shall be informed and shall personally fetch these minors for custody.

SECTION 50. OTHER PROHIBITIONS – The LGU shall ensure that local governments implement their roles of ensuring that internet cafes, billiard inns, videoke stands, and other recreation houses shall not admit pupils or students without written permit from the head of their respective schools, except when it could be proven by the pupil or student that at the time of their stay in the said establishment, they have no scheduled classes. However, appropriate documentary proof shall be required.

School heads, teachers, and staff are encouraged to allow the pupils or students to use the electronic libraries and other facilities in schools for their research works in order to deter them from going outside school premises.

ARTICLE VII

PENALTY CLAUSE

SECTION 51. PENALTIES – The penalty for any violation of this code, which is not penalized elsewhere in other sections of this Code or in any national law, shall be:

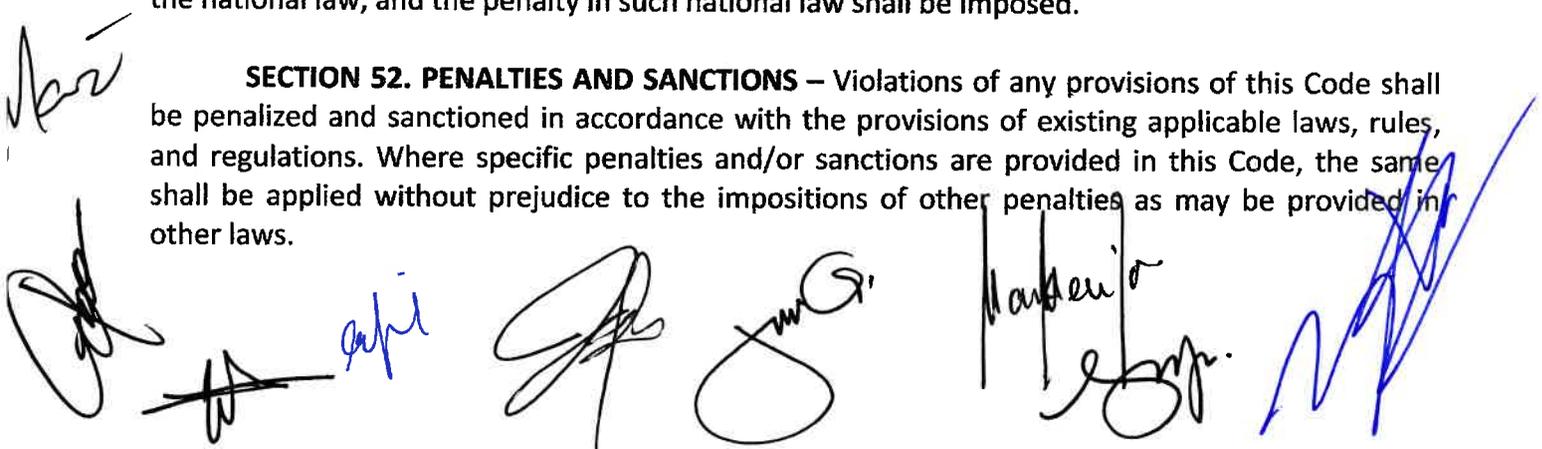
- a. First Offense – A fine of One Thousand Pesos Only (P1,000.00).
- b. Second Offense – A fine of Two Thousand Pesos Only (P2,000.00).
- c. Third and succeeding offense – A fine of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,5000.00).

For the first time offenders of the Prohibited Acts enumerated in this Code except for Section 45 (h) hereof, and in cases where the offender is the parent or teacher of the child or relative within the fourth degree of consanguinity, and admits the offense and is sincere and willing to reform, the penalty may be lowered, subject to the consent of the child, and any of the following measures may be imposed:

1. Attendance in a parenting and/or counseling session.
2. Community service of 10 to 15 days.
3. Participation in appropriate training courses.

For offense punishable under Presidential Decree No. 603 (Child and Youth Welfare Code); and Republic Act No. 7610 (Special Protection of Children against Abuses, Exploitation and Discrimination Act as amended by Republic Act No. 9231); Republic Act No. 7658 (An Act Prohibiting the Employment of Children below 15 years of Age, amending Section 12 of R.A. No. 7610); Republic Act No. 9208 (Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act of 2003); Republic Act No. 9262 (Anti-Violence Against Women and their Child Act of 2004); the Revised Penal Code or any other laws as well as this code, the offended party and/or any party so authorized may file a complaint under the national law, and the penalty in such national law shall be imposed.

SECTION 52. PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS – Violations of any provisions of this Code shall be penalized and sanctioned in accordance with the provisions of existing applicable laws, rules, and regulations. Where specific penalties and/or sanctions are provided in this Code, the same shall be applied without prejudice to the impositions of other penalties as may be provided in other laws.

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No penalty shall be imposed on children for said violations, and they shall instead be brought to their residence or to any barangay official at the barangay hall to be released to a custody of their parents/guardians for appropriate authorities.

Any parent or guardian found to be negligent in the performance of their duties to children shall be punished as follows:

- a. For the first offense – counseling or parent education;
- b. For the second and subsequent offense – the filing by the LCPC of the appropriate charges on child abuse under Republic Act No. 7610 and Petition for Involuntary Commitment pursuant to President Decree No. 603, or other criminal or civil under applicable laws;
- c. Without prejudice to the filing of appropriate charges pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act No. 7610, violation of any provision of this code be punished by imprisonment not exceeding six (6) months or a fine not exceeding Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,500.00) or both upon the discretion of the court.
- d. All establishments and enterprises which promote or facilitate child prostitution and other social abuse, child trafficking, obscene publications, indecent shows, and other acts of abuse shall be immediately inspected and verified, closed and their authority or license to operate cancelled without prejudice to the manager or owner being prosecuted under this Code.

ARTICLE VIII

FINAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 53. PENALTIES FOR THE REFUSAL OR NEGLECT OF ANY GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE TO IMPLEMENT THIS CODE – Any government official or employee, charged with the duty implement this Code, and who refuses or neglects his/her duty, shall be punished with six (6) months suspension from the service without pay, provided that due process on administrative discipline as established under the Civil Service Law and other pertinent laws shall be strictly observed before said penalty is imposed to such offender.

SECTION 54. APPROPRIATIONS FOR CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS – Local Government Unit shall appropriate funds, as part of its annual budget, for the implementation of children's program. The LGU shall allocate funds necessary for the implementation of this Code, including training and orientation of stakeholders and promotion of this Code to the general public.

SECTION 55. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE – If for any reason a provision of this Code is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 56. REPEALING CLAUSE – All ordinances, resolutions, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Code are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 57. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE – This Code shall take effect immediately upon approval and compliance with publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ENACTED : 06 OCTOBER 2025

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SB Secretary

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LGU – Tanauan, Leyte

Date: 11-03-2025

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Minutes of Public Hearing
September 4, 2025
Presidencia Lobby, Tanauan Town Hall, Tanauan, Leyte

SUBJECT: 1. Proposed Ordinance: An ordinance creating guidelines in the proper use of Barangay Public Address System in Tanauan, Leyte.

Author: Hon. Lauro A. Villero

2. Proposed Ordinance: An ordinance enacting the updated Gender and Development (GAD) Code of Tanauan, Leyte.

Author: Hon. Cherry Anne T. Fiel

3. Proposed Ordinance Establishing the Children's Code of the municipality of Tanauan, Leyte, promoting the rights and welfare of Children, ensuring equal access to quality education, providing special protection, encouraging active youth involvement, prescribing penalties for violations, and for other purpose.

Author: Hon. Cherry Anne T. Fiel

Preliminaries:

With the presence of different stakeholders, the authors of the proposed ordinances presented and explained the contents and the legal basis in coming up with the proposed ordinance.

OPEN FORUM:

Mr. Bernal a volunteer of the LGU, commended the SB members in coming up with the proposed ordinances particularly on Public Address System, he further expound the importance of Public Address System in informing the Community in situation like earthquake, fire and other similar emergencies and even in simple announcements or information made by the officials of the Barangay.

On the other hand, PMSG Heide Costiniano - Chief of the Women and Children Protection Desk (WCPD), added that their office is strengthening its efforts to deter and to solve cases in relation to the protection of Children in Conflict with Law. She further stated that they are also conducting information dissemination through community and School orientations on VAWC, bullying, trafficking and even curfew for minors and filing of cases to those personalities involved and counseling and rehabilitation for every involved minors.



Hon. Reynaldo Musca Chairperson of Brgy. Buntay raised its concern on the implementation of curfew and problem on stray animals particularly on dogs wherein the implementation was devolved to the barangay, however, the barangays are unable to implement the same, for lack of sufficient funds and lack of dog impounding areas.

Hon. Cherry Anne T. Fiel informed the representatives that the Sangguniang Bayan had already passed the necessary ordinances in response to such concerns and the implementation of such ordinances are already lodged in the executive Department.

In addition to the concern of PB Musca, Hon. Merilo the LIGA President informed the barangay Chairperson that he will be inviting the presence of the personnel from the PNP of Tanauan to further address the concerns on curfew implementation.

Further, Hon. Villero informed the representatives that he has already crafted an ordinance creating an animal bite center in the LGU that will address concerns of dog and other animal bites.

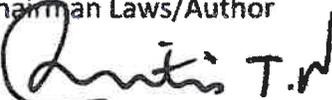
Finally, Hon. Lauro Villero extends his heartfelt thanks to the attendees of the public hearing, particularly the Barangay Officials.

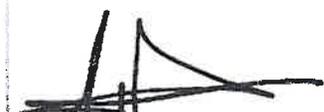
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PUBLIC HEARING

1. PROPOSED ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE CREATING GUIDELINES ON THE PROPER USE OF BARANGAY PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TANAUAN, LEYTE.

Authored by: Hon. Laura A. Villero

2. PROPOSED ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE UPDATING AND REVISING THE GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT (GAD) CODE OF TANAUAN, LEYTE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Authored by: Hon. Cherry Anne T. Fiel

3. PROPOSED ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE AMMENDING THE CHILDREN'S CODE OF THE MUNIIPALITY OF TANAUAN, LEYTE.

Authored by: Hon. Cherry Anne T. Fiel

Date: SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

Time: 9:00 AM

Venue: Presidencia Lobby, Tanauan Town Hall, Tanauan, Leyte

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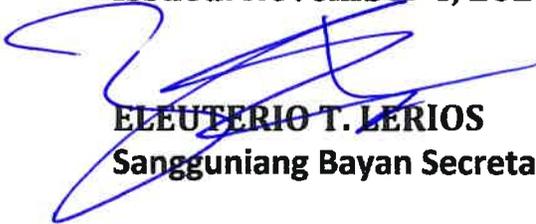
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that SB Ordinance No. 2025-23, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CHILDREN'S CODE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TANAUAN, LEYTE, PROMOTING THE RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF CHILDREN, ENSURING EQUAL ACCESS TO QUALITY EDUCATION, PROVIDING SPECIAL PROTECTION, ENCOURAGING ACTIVE YOUTH INVOLVEMENT, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", have been posted in the bulletin boards at the following: Entrance of the Municipal Hall, Office of the Sangguniang Bayan and Public Market beginning November 4, 2025 and shall remain posted for a minimum of three consecutive weeks.

This certification is issued in compliance with the pertinent provisions of R.A. 7160.

Issued: November 4, 2025


ELEUTERIO T. LERIOS
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary