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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 232 the Sangguniang Bayan of San Matag-ob, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 232 entitled: **“Municipal Inclusive Education for Learners with Disabilities Ordinance of the Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte.”**

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office opines that the subject Ordinance is, in general, within the legislative authority of the Sangguniang Bayan under Sections 447(a)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160) pursuant to RA 11650². Hence, we recommend for the declaration of its validity.

We hope to have assisted you with this request. Please note that the opinion rendered by this Office are based on the facts available and may vary or change when additional facts and documents are presented or changed. This opinion is likewise without prejudice to the opinions rendered by higher and competent authorities and/or the courts.

ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL
Provincial Legal Officer 

¹(a) The sangguniang bayan, as the legislative body of the municipality, shall enact ordinances, approve resolutions and appropriate funds for the general welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of this Code and in the proper exercise of the corporate powers of the municipality as provided for under Section 22 of this Code

² Inclusive Education for Learners with Disabilities Act



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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

2nd Indorsement
27 March 2026

The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 232, s. 2026** of the **Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF R. A. No. 11650, the INCLUSIVE EDUCATION FOR LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES ACT**, in the Municipality of **Matag-ob, Leyte** providing for promotion, **PROTECTION AND SUPPORT OF LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES** and for other purposes.

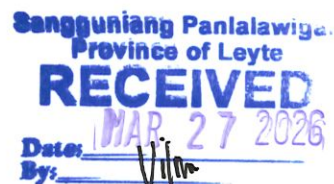
FLORINDA JILLS UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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ENDORSEMENT

March 25, 2026



HONORABLE LEONARDO "SANDY" JAVIER
Vice-Governor
Presiding Officer
Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte

Sir:

Respectfully forwarding to your good office the herein attached **Municipal Ordinance No. 232** series 2026, entitled **"AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11650, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "INCLUSIVE EDUCATION FOR LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES ACT," IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MATAG-OB, LEYTE, PROVIDING FOR THE PROMOTION, PROTECTION, AND SUPPORT OF LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"** of the Sangguniang Bayan of Matag-ob, Leyte for review and approval by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan:

Very truly yours,

ANA MARIA SANORIA-ECIJA
Secretary to the Sanggunian

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CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that copies of **Municipal Ordinance No. 232** series 2026, entitled **"AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11650, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "INCLUSIVE EDUCATION FOR LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES ACT," IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MATAG-OB, LEYTE, PROVIDING FOR THE PROMOTION, PROTECTION, AND SUPPORT OF LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"** of the Sangguniang Bayan of Matag-ob, Leyte are posted in Three (3) conspicuous places within the municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte for three consecutive weeks from March 25, 2026.

This certification is issued in compliance with Section 59 of R.A. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

Issued this 25th Day of March, 2026.

Very truly yours,


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Date: MAR 27 2026
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true and accurate copy of the resolution duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Matag-ob, Leyte on February 02, 2026.

ANA MARIA SANORIA-ECIJA
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 32nd REGULAR SESSION OF THE 12th SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF MATAG-OB, LEYTE HELD AT THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION HALL ON FEBRUARY 02, 2026.

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 232 Series 2026

AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING THE PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11650, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "INCLUSIVE EDUCATION FOR LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES ACT," IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MATAG-OB, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, PROVIDING FOR THE PROMOTION, PROTECTION, AND SUPPORT OF LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Author : Hon. Evangeline C. Carno
Co-authors : Hon. Joel G. Tacoy
Hon. Artemio T. Almoroto
Hon. Ana Love D. Borden
Hon. Luz M. Boldero

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Matag-ob, Province of Leyte, in session duly assembled, that:

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11650, otherwise known as the "Inclusive Education for Learners with Disabilities Act," declares it a policy of the State to ensure that learners with disabilities are provided inclusive, equitable, and quality education, and are given opportunities to develop their full potential;

WHEREAS, Learners with disabilities often face barriers in accessing education, facilities, learning materials, and support services;

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WHEREAS, Local Government Units (LGUs) play a vital role in promoting inclusive education, eliminating discrimination, and providing support mechanisms for learners with disabilities at the community level;

WHEREAS, There is a need to institutionalize local measures in the Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte to effectively implement Republic Act No. 11650 in coordination with schools, parents, and concerned government agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte hereby enacts this Ordinance.

SECTION 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Municipal Inclusive Education for Learners with Disabilities Ordinance of the Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte."

SECTION 2. Declaration of Policy. It is hereby declared the policy of the Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte to promote inclusive education, protect the rights and welfare of learners with disabilities, ensure equal access to quality education, and foster a supportive and enabling learning environment in partnership with schools and the community.

SECTION 3. Definition of Terms. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

- 1. Learners with Disabilities** - Persons enrolled or seeking to be enrolled in educational institutions who have long-term physical, mental, intellectual, or sensory impairments, as defined under Republic Act No. 11650.
- 2. Inclusive Education** - An educational approach that allows learners with disabilities to learn alongside learners without disabilities in regular schools with appropriate support services.

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3. **Schools** - Public and private basic education and secondary schools operating within the Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte.
4. **MSWDO** - Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office of Matag-ob, Leyte.

SECTION 4. Promotion of Inclusive Education. The Municipal Government of Matag-ob, Leyte shall support inclusive education programs and initiatives for learners with disabilities, in coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd), schools, and other concerned agencies.

SECTION 5. Duties of the Municipal Government. The Municipal Government, through its concerned offices, shall:

- a. Assist in identifying learners with disabilities within the municipality;
- b. Support schools in providing appropriate accommodations, assistive devices, and learning materials;
- c. Promote accessible and child-friendly school facilities;
- d. Conduct awareness campaigns to eliminate stigma and discrimination against learners with disabilities;
- e. Encourage capacity-building and training for teachers, parents, and caregivers.

SECTION 6. Role of the MSWDO. The Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office shall:

- a. Provide social protection services and referrals for learners with disabilities and their families;
- b. Coordinate with schools and health offices for assessment and intervention services;
- c. Assist in case management and family support.

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SECTION 7. Role of Barangays. All barangays in the Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte shall:

- a. Help identify learners with disabilities in their communities;
- b. Support awareness and advocacy activities on inclusive education;
- c. Assist families of learners with disabilities in accessing available services.

SECTION 8. Non-Discrimination. No learner with a disability shall be denied admission, participation, or access to educational programs, services, or facilities on the basis of disability, consistent with existing laws and policies.

SECTION 9. Funding. Funds necessary for the implementation of this Ordinance shall be included in the annual budget of the Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte, subject to applicable accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 10. Implementing Authority. The Municipal Mayor, through the MSWDO and in coordination with DepEd and other concerned agencies, shall be the primary implementing authority of this Ordinance.

SECTION 11. Amendments Clause. This ordinance may be amended or modified as necessary through the appropriate legislative process.

SECTION 12. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 13. Repealing Clause. All ordinances, resolutions, rules, or regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true and accurate copy of the resolution duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Matag-ob, Leyte on February 02, 2026.

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ANA MARIA SANORIA-ECIJA
 Secretary to the Sanggunian

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SECTION 14. Effectivity. This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval and after compliance with the posting and publication requirements under existing laws.

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

ENACTED this 2nd day of February, 2026, at the Municipality of Matag-ob, Leyte.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true and accurate copy of the Ordinance duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Matag-ob, Leyte on February 02, 2026.

ANA MARIA SANORIA-ECIJA
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VOTING ON THIS ORDINANCE WERE AS FOLLOWS:

AYES - 10

- Hon. Artemio T. Almoroto
- Hon. Joel N. Denoy
- Hon. Evangeline C. Carno
- Hon. Ricardo L. Giva
- Hon. Rodolfo N. Suñir
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NAYES - 0

ABSTAIN - 0

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 TO BE DULY ADOPTED:

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APPROVED:

HONORABLE BERNANDINO G. TACOY
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