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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 6 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Merida, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 6 entitled: “Merida Blood Council And Blood donation **Ordinance** .”

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is generally in accordance with its power under Section 447(a)(1)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160). Hence, we recommend for the declaration of its validity.

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

ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL
Provincial Legal Officer

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

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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 06, series of 2026 of the Municipality of Merida, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance creating the Merida Blood Council, encouraging Barangay Blood Donation of at least 2% of total population, establishing a blood donation information system, providing incentives for donors, formulating local policies towards sustainable development goals, and providing for its powers, functions and funding.**



FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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DEAR HONORABLE MEMBERS;

I have the honor to submit to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte copies of **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 06, SERIES OF 2026 “AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE MERIDA BLOOD COUNCIL, ENCOURAGING BARANGAY BLOOD DONATION OF AT LEAST 2% OF TOTAL POPULATION, ESTABLISHING A BLOOD DONATION INFORMATION SYSTEM, PROVIDING INCENTIVES FOR DONORS, FORMULATING LOCAL POLICIES TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS, AND PROVIDING FOR ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS, AND FUNDING”** enacted by the 19th Council of this Municipality, for review and consideration.

Hoping everything is in order.

Thank you.

Respectfully,


JOSELITO T. DELOS ANGELES
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan



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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 32ND REGULAR SESSION OF THE
SANGGUNIANG BAYAN (19TH COUNCIL), MERIDA, LEYTE, HELD ON APRIL 15, 2026
AT THE LEGISLATIVE BUILDING SESSION HALL.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true and accurate copy of the resolution duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Merida, Leyte on **APRIL 15, 2026.**

JOSELITO T. DELOS ANGELES
SB Secretary

SANGGUNIANG BAYAN MEMBERS:

HON. ATTY. CHRISTIAN Q. SALTA
SB Member

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SK Federation President

HON. RODRIGO M. WENCESLAO
Municipal Vice-Mayor, Presiding Officer

-RESOLUTION NO. 19-26-085-

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 06, SERIES OF 2026 "AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE MERIDA BLOOD COUNCIL, ENCOURAGING BARANGAY BLOOD DONATION OF AT LEAST 2% OF TOTAL POPULATION, ESTABLISHING A BLOOD DONATION INFORMATION SYSTEM, PROVIDING INCENTIVES FOR DONORS, FORMULATING LOCAL POLICIES TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS, AND PROVIDING FOR ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS, AND FUNDING".

WHEREAS, the Constitution and the Local Government Code of 1991 (RA 7160) empower local government units to enact ordinances promoting health and well-being of constituents;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7719, the National Blood Services Act of 1994, emphasizes the importance of voluntary blood donation and safe blood services;

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, provide a framework for local health policies that promote safe and sufficient blood supply;

WHEREAS, there is a need to ensure that all barangays in Merida actively participate in blood donation activities with a target of 2% of the registered population annually, while tracking progress through a Blood Donation Information System (BDIS);

WHEREAS, the creation of the Merida Blood Council will institutionalize the planning, monitoring, and evaluation of blood donation programs and SDG-aligned health initiatives;

NOW, WHEREFORE, ON MOTION OF Hon. Brenda T. Adolfo Chairman Committee on Health duly seconded by MASS, BE IT RESOLVED TO ENACT;

-MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 06-
Series of 2026

INTRODUCED/AUTHORED BY:
HON. BRENDA T. ADOLFO

SECTION 1. TITLE

This ordinance shall be known as the "Merida Blood Council and Barangay Blood Donation Ordinance of 2026."

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY

It is hereby declared the policy of the Municipal Government of Merida to:

1. Ensure the availability, safety, and sufficiency of blood and blood products for all residents;
2. Promote voluntary blood donation and health awareness programs;
3. Mandate barangay participation to achieve at least 2% of total registered population as successful blood donors annually;
4. Provide incentives to encourage voluntary blood donation;
5. Integrate initiatives and local policies that contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:
 - **SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being**
 - **SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation**
 - **SDG 11: Sustainable Communities**

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SECTION 3. LEGAL BASIS

- **RA 7719, National Blood Services Act of 1994** – Establishes the framework for safe, voluntary blood donation and operation of blood services in the Philippines.
- **RA 7160, Local Government Code of 1991** – Grants local government units the authority to enact ordinances for health, sanitation, and welfare of constituents.
- **Philippine Development Plan and SDG Commitments** – Mandates local adaptation of programs to achieve SDG targets, including health and community resilience.

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS

1. **Blood Council** – The governing body responsible for policy formulation, implementation, and monitoring of blood donation programs in Merida.
2. **Voluntary Blood Donation** – Blood donation made freely without expectation of remuneration.
3. **Barangay Blood Donation Target** – The minimum 2% of total registered population per barangay that must be successful blood donors annually.
4. **Successful Donor** – A donor whose blood is successfully collected and processed according to Department of Health standards.
5. **Blood Donation Information System (BDIS)** – A digital registry and monitoring system tracking donors, blood collection, and compliance per barangay.
6. **SDGs** – United Nations Sustainable Development Goals adopted as a framework for sustainable and inclusive development.

SECTION 5. CREATION OF THE MERIDA BLOOD COUNCIL

There is hereby created the Merida Blood Council, under the Office of the Municipal Mayor, to coordinate, plan, and implement blood-related programs and policies.

SECTION 6. COMPOSITION OF THE BLOOD COUNCIL

1. The Merida Blood Council shall be composed of:
2. Municipal Mayor – Chairperson
3. Municipal Health Officer – Vice Chairperson
4. Representative from Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO)
5. ABC President
6. Blood Program Coordinator- RHU , Merida
7. Representative from Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (MDRRMO)
8. Two (2) representatives from accredited NGOs or civic organizations active in health or blood donation
9. Representative from the Municipal Planning and Development Office (for SDG policy integration)
10. Other members as may be appointed by the Municipal Mayor

The Council may create committees or technical working groups as necessary.

SECTION 7. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS

1. The Merida Blood Council shall:
2. Formulate and implement Local Blood Policies consistent with national guidelines and SDGs;
3. Coordinate with hospitals, health centers, and blood banks for safe and sufficient blood supply;
4. Conduct awareness campaigns on voluntary blood donation and health education;
5. Develop barangay-level programs aligned with SDGs;
6. Recommend ordinances, resolutions, and programs to the Sangguniang Bayan;
7. Monitor and evaluate the implementation of blood programs and SDG initiatives;
8. Mobilize resources, including sponsorships and partnerships, to support council initiatives.

SECTION 8. BARANGAY BLOOD DONATION MANDATE

1. **Mandatory Barangay Target** – Each barangay shall ensure that at least two percent (2%) of its total registered population are successful blood donors annually.
2. **Implementation Guidelines**
 The Municipal Health Office (MHO) shall organize all blood donation drives, including scheduling, staffing, and coordination with hospitals or blood banks.
 - a. Barangays shall endorse and mobilize residents to participate as donors in MHO-organized drives.
 - b. Donations must remain voluntary and non-remunerated, in accordance with RA 7719.

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3. **Definition of “Successful Donor”** – A donor whose blood is successfully collected and processed according to Department of Health standards.
4. **Monitoring and Reporting**
 - a. Barangays shall submit quarterly reports to the MHO listing residents who participated as donors.
 - b. The Merida Blood Council, through the BDIS, shall monitor compliance and generate reports highlighting which barangays meet or exceed the 2% successful donor target.
5. **Incentives** – Barangays meeting or exceeding the 2% successful donor target shall be eligible for recognition, awards, or other incentives as provided under Section 10.

SECTION 9. BLOOD DONATION INFORMATION SYSTEM (BDIS)

1. **System Establishment** – The Municipal Health Office shall develop and maintain the BDIS to track blood donations across all barangays.
2. **Objectives** – Maintain donor registry, track donation drives, monitor 2% successful donor target compliance, and generate real-time reports.
3. **Features** –
 - a. Donor registry (name, age, blood type, donation history)
 - b. Barangay dashboard for monitoring progress
 - c. Reporting tools (graphs, tables, quarterly & annual reports)
 - d. Data security to protect donor information
4. **Barangay Responsibility** – Update donor records promptly after each drive.
5. **SDG Integration** – Use BDIS data to measure contributions to SDG 3 and inform barangay recognition
6. **Technical Support** – The Municipal IT Office shall provide system maintenance, training, and support.

SECTION 10. INCENTIVES FOR VOLUNTARY BLOOD DONORS

1. **Recognition and Rewards** – The Merida Blood Council shall provide non-monetary incentives, including:
 - a. Priority in the availment of Government Services and Assistance whether national or locally funded
 - a. Certificates or medals for first-time and repeat donors;
 - b. Public recognition during barangay or municipal events;
 - c. Priority or discount for local government services, subject to LGU policy;
 - d. Tokens, health kits, or meal packs during blood donation drives.
2. **Barangay-Level Incentives** – Barangays achieving or exceeding the 2% successful donor target shall be recognized through:
 - a. Barangay Awards for Health and Volunteerism;
 - b. Highlighting performance in the annual SDG health report;
 - c. Other forms of recognition determined by the Merida Blood Council.
3. **Voluntary Nature Emphasized** – Incentives shall not coerce blood donation; all donations remain voluntary.
4. **Reporting** – The Municipal Health Office shall summarize donors and incentives in quarterly and annual BDIS reports that will be furnished to the MSWDO and Mayor’s Office.

SECTION 11. FUNDING

1. The Local Government Unit shall allocate atleast P 100,000.00 annually;
2. Grants, donations, or sponsorships from local or international partners;
3. Other lawful sources approved by the Sangguniang Bayan.

SECTION 12. IMPACT OF SUFFICIENT BLOOD SUPPLY

1. Ensures timely availability of safe blood for emergencies, surgeries, and medical procedures.
2. Reduces dependence on outside blood sources, increasing community resilience.
3. Supports achievement of SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being.
4. Enhances health outcomes, lowers preventable morbidity and mortality, and promotes a culture of voluntary blood donation.

SECTION 13. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

The Municipal Planning and Development Office (MPDO), in coordination with the Municipal Health Office, shall:

1. Track donor statistics and barangay compliance;
2. Measure SDG-aligned program outputs;
3. Produce quarterly and annual reports for transparency, policy adjustments, and recognition.

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SECTION 14. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain effective.

SECTION 15. REPEALING CLAUSE

All ordinances, rules, and regulations inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 16. EFFECTIVITY

This ordinance shall take effect 15 days after publication in a newspaper of local circulation and posting in at least three (3) conspicuous places in the municipality.

ENACTED: 22 APRIL 2026

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

SANGGUNIANG BAYAN MEMBERS

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ATTY. CHRISTIAN Q. SALTA, EnP
 Municipal Councilor
 Majority Floor Leader

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ASHLEY NOREEN J. DIAZ
 Ex-Officio (Mun. SK Fed. President)

APPROVED BY HIS HONOR, THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR ON April 28, 2026.

CONFORME:

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ENGR. ROLANDO M. VILLASENCIO
 Municipal Mayor

CERTIFIED BY: *[Signature]*

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RODRIGO M. WENCESLAO
 Municipal Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer

ATTESTED BY: *[Signature]*

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JOSELITO T. DELOS ANGELES
 Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan



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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 06, SERIES OF 2026 - "AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE MERIDA BLOOD COUNCIL, ENCOURAGING BARANGAY BLOOD DONATION OF AT LEAST 2% OF TOTAL POPULATION, ESTABLISHING A BLOOD DONATION INFORMATION SYSTEM, PROVIDING INCENTIVES FOR DONORS, FORMULATING LOCAL POLICIES TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS, AND PROVIDING FOR ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS, AND FUNDING" had been posted in three (3) conspicuous places in the locality within three (3) consecutive weeks from APRIL 29, 2026 TO MAY 20, 2026.

THIS CERTIFICATION has been issued in compliance to Section 511 (1), Title One, book IV of RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

DONE AND ISSUED this 28TH day of MAY 2026 at Merida, Leyte, Philippines.


JOSELITO T. DELOS ANGELES
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan