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2nd INDORSEMENT
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Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through the SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 28 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Alangalang, Leyte.

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

- Ordinance No. 28 entitled: " **Alangalang Foundling Recognition and Protection Ordinance** "

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office opines that the subject Ordinance is, in general, within the legislative authority of the Sangguniang Bayan under Section 447(a)[1] of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160) in consonance with RA 11767[2]. 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] Foundling Recognition and Protection Act

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1ST INDORSEMENT
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The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed **Municipal Ordinance No. 28 series of 2026** of the **Municipality of Alangalang, Leyte**, entitled: **An Ordinance recognizing, protecting, and promoting the Rights of Foundlings in the Municipality of Alangalang, Leyte pursuant to Republic Act No. 11767, other applicable laws, rules, and regulations, and providing funds therefor.**

FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT
ALANGALANG, LEYTE

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 28
SERIES 2026

ENTITLED:

AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING, PROTECTING, AND PROMOTING THE RIGHTS OF FOUNDLINGS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALANGALANG, LEYTE PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11767, OTHER APPLICABLE, LAWS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

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OFFICE OF THE SB SECRETARY

September 11, 2026

MS. FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
SP Secretary
Provincial Capital, Palo, Leyte

Ma'am:

Respectfully forwarded herewith copies of Municipal Ordinance No. 2026-28 ***An Ordinance Recognizing, Protecting, and Promoting the Rights of Foundlings in the Municipality of Alangalang, Leyte Pursuant to Republic Act No. 11767, Other Applicable, laws, Rules, and Regulations, and providing Funds Therfor*** for peruse and favorable action.

Kindly acknowledge receipt hereof.

Thank you and More Power!

Very Truly Yours,

DANI R. DE VEYRA
Mun. Gov't Department Head I
(Secretary to the Sanggunian)

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Municipal Ordinance No. 2026-28 has been posted for three weeks in three public conspicuous places within the municipality and will remain posted for information of the general public.

DANI R. DE VEYRA
Mun. Gov't Department Head I
(Secretary to the Sanggunian)

ATTESTED:

MARIO V. BAGUE
Municipal Vice Mayor

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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF ALANGALANG, LEYTE HELD AT THE LEGISLATIVE BUILDING SESSION HALL AUGUST 03, 2026.

PRESENT:

Vice Mayor Mario V. Bague - Municipal Vice Mayor
SB Member Kenneth Spice M. De Veyra
SB Member Ketchie Rex A. Barrantes
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SB Member Elmer D. Matobato
SB Member Claire G. Yu
SB Member Kent Jefflord C. Guillermo
SB Member Atty. Arvin Antoni
Punong Barangay Sarah T. Apurillo - LIGA President
SK Chairman Charlze Jericho Duane A. Tan - PPSK President

Municipal Ordinance No. 28 Series of 2026

"AN ORDINANCE RECOGNIZING, PROTECTING, AND PROMOTING THE RIGHTS OF FOUNDLINGS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALANGALANG, LEYTE PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11767, OTHER APPLICABLE, LAWS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR"

SPONSOR: HON.GINA BALDERAMOS
Chairman Committee on Women, Children & Family Welfare

APPROVED ON 3RD and Final Reading on August 03,2026.

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, grants local government units the authority to promote the general welfare within their territorial jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11767, otherwise known as the Foundling Recognition and Protection Act, declares it a policy of the state to ensure that foundlings are recognized as natural-born Filipino citizens and are protected from discrimination and statelessness;

WHEREAS, the State recognizes the right of every child to survival, development, protection, and participation pursuant to the 1987 Philippine Constitution, Republic Act No.7610, Republic Act No. 9344, Republic Act No.10630, Republic Act No. 11188, and other child protection laws;

WHEREAS, foundlings are among the vulnerable members of the society and require prompt registration, legal recognition, access to social services, and protection from neglect, abuse, exploitation, trafficking, and discrimination;

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SARAH T. APURILLO SB Member LIGA President

WHEREAS, there is a need for the Municipality of Alangalang, Leyte to establish local mechanisms and procedures to ensure the effective implementation of Republic Act No. 11767 and related issuances;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Alangalang, Leyte, in session assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Alangalang Foundling Recognition and Protection Ordinance of 2026."

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. It is hereby declared the policy of the Municipality of Alangalang, Leyte to uphold and protect the rights and welfare of foundlings consistent with Republic Act No. 11767 and other existing laws. The Municipality shall ensure that foundlings are accorded recognition, dignity, protection, and access to government services without discrimination.

SECTION3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. For purposes of this Ordinance:

a. Foundling- refers to a deserted or abandoned child or infant with unknown parentage and uncertain place of birth.
b. Child- refers to a person below eighteen (18) years of age or one over eighteen (18) years but unable to fully take care of himself/herself because of physical or mental disability.
c. Abandoned Child- refers to a child who has no proper parental care or guardship or whose parents have deserted him/her.
d. MSWDO- refers to the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office.
e. LCR- refers to the Local Civil Registrar of the Municipality of Alangalang, Leyte
f. Inter-Agency Committee- refers to the local coordinating body created under this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. RECOGNITION OF RIGHTS OF FOUNDLINGS. Foundlings found within the territorial jurisdiction of Alangalang, Leyte shall be recognized as natural-born Filipino citizens in accordance with Republic act No. 11767 and shall enjoy the rights and privileges guaranteed under Philippine laws, including but not limited to access to education, healthcare, social protection, civil registration, and identity documents.

SECTION 5. DUTIES OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT. The Municipal Government of Alangalang, through the MSWDO, LCR, Municipal Health Office, Philippine National Police, Barangays, and other concerned offices, shall:

a. Ensure immediate rescue, temporary shelter, and protection of foundlings;
b. Facilitate proper documentation and civil registration of foundlings;
c. Provide social welfare services, counseling, healthcare, and referral services;
d. Coordinate with the Department of Health, and other agencies;
e. Conduct advocacy and information dissemination campaigns on the rights of foundlings;
f. Maintain confidentiality and respect the privacy and dignity of foundlings.

SECTION 6. REGISTRATION and DOCUMENTATION. The Local Civil Registrar shall assist in the registration of foundlings in accordance with Republic Act No. 11767, relevant Philippine Statistics Authority rules, and applicable civil registration laws and regulations. Barangay officials, healthcare workers, and concerned individuals who discover a foundling shall immediately report the matter to the MSWDO and the LCR within twenty-four (24) hours from discovery whenever practicable.

SECTION 7. CREATION of an INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE. There is hereby created an Inter-Agency Committee on Foundling Protection composed of the following:

KENNETH SPICE M. DE VEYRA, SB Member
GINA BALDERAMOS, SB Member
BLESILDA M. YU, SB Member
KETCHIE REX A. BARRANTES, SB Member
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SARAH T. APURILLO, SB Member, LIGA President

Chairperson- Municipal Mayor or duly authorized representative
Vice Chairperson- Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer
Members:

- Municipal Civil Registrar
- Municipal Health Officer
- Chief of Police
- Liga ng mga Barangay President
- Public Attorney's Office Representative, when available
- DepEd Representative
- NGO/CSO Representative involved in child welfare, when available

The Committee shall formulate local protocols, coordinate interventions, monitor implementation, and submit annual reports to the Sangguniang Bayan.

SECTION 8. PROTECTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION. No foundling shall be subjected to discrimination, stigmatization, neglect, abuse, exploitation, trafficking, or denial of government services by reason of his or her status as a foundling. Any act violating this provision shall be dealt with in accordance with existing laws and regulations.

SECTION 9. CONFIDENTIALITY. All records and proceedings involving foundlings shall be treated with strict confidentiality in accordance with applicable laws on child protection and data privacy. Unauthorized disclosure of information identifying a foundling shall be prohibited.

SECTION 10. FUNDING. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Ordinance shall be charged against the available funds of the Municipality of Alangalang subject to existing budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary shall be included in the annual budget.

SECTION 11. IMPLEMENTING RULES and REGULATIONS. Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Ordinance, the Inter-Agency Committee shall formulate the necessary implementing rules and regulations consistent within Republic Act No. 11767 and other existing laws.

SECTION 12. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 13. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances, executive orders, rules and regulations, and issuances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 14. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect after compliance with the publication and posting requirements under the Local Government Code of 1991.

ENACTED by the Sangguniang bayan this 3rd day of August, 2026 at Alangalang, Leyte.

APPROVED by her Honor, the Mayor this September 09, 2026.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to correctness of the foregoing **Municipal Ordinance No.2026-28.**

DANI R. DE VEYRA
Secretary to the Sanggunian
Municipal Gov't. Department Head I

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ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED
TO BE DULY ADOPTED:

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Municipal Vice Mayor
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APPROVED:

LOVELL ANNE M. YU-CASTRO
Municipal Mayor

VOTING:
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