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*DOH to conduct massive immunization as a response*

# Measles cases in EV continue to increase

ROEL T. AMAZONA

**GOVERNMENT CENTER, PALO, Leyte –** The number of persons, mostly children, being hit by measles in the region continue to increase.

As of Thursday, the regional office of the Department of Health (DOH) reported of 14 deaths out of the 382 persons who were infected by the measles virus.

As this developed, the DOH is scampering to control the increasing number of measles in the region.

Dr. Minerva Molon, DOH regional director, said that they will be conducting massive immunization campaign in the region, particularly in areas where there are high cases

of measles.

"Priority of the team deployment are the areas with high number of measles cases and those with reported deaths," Molon said.

It was learned from Dr. Molon that most of those who were hit by measles did not receive vaccination.

It was learned that even adults were hit by measles.

Dr. Exuperia Sabalo, assistant regional director of the DOH, disclosed that they have received reports that some nurses at the

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*As the number of children getting sick by measles, the regional office of the Department of Health will conduct a massive immunization campaign. Still, there are parents who refuse that their children be vaccinated like Elena Bituin, a mother of four young children. Bituin lives at a resettlement site in North Hill Arbours in Tacloban City.*

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

## 378 students from Samar finish TESDA programs

CATBALOGAN CITY- Some 378 students recently graduated from the vocational skills training program of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Samar Provincial Office.

The mass graduation ceremony was held on Feb. 6, 2019 at the social hall of St. Mary's College in this city.

Among the graduates, 262 were beneficiaries of the Consuelo Foundation's bread and pastry-making and cookery hot meals while 116 students were graduates of the special training for employment provided by the provincial government of Samar. They finished courses in

bookkeeping, organic agriculture, tiles setting, and carpentry courses.

The graduates, who came from the cities of Cal-

bayog and Catbalogan, and from the municipalities of

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*A contestant from Gandara town prepares the winning pastry recipe at the pastry skills competition in Catbalogan City on February 6, 2019.*

(GMT/PIA-8 Samar)

## Rep. Romualdez justifies reason why she favors lowering criminal liability of minors

TACLOBAN CITY- Leyte Rep. Yedda Marie Romualdez has justified her decision to lower the age of children for criminal liability.

In an interview, Romualdez said that children nowadays are capable of committing crimes and could escape from any criminal liabilities due to their minor age.

Romualdez was among the members of House of Representatives who voted to lower the criminal liability of children to 12 from the current 15.

Originally, the Congress has proposed to put the criminal liability of children to just 9



Rep. Yedda Marie Romualdez

years which was met with strong opposition.

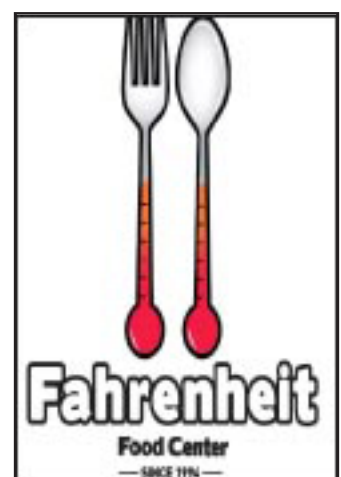
"I voted for it because we are not here to punish the children but to protect them from nefarious groups who are trying to take advantage of the children (in carrying out their illegal activities)," she said.

According to her, she has been receiving reports that minors who

were involved in various illegal activities could not be detained by the law enforces due to their sheer young age.

"They are showing their birth certificates to

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## District engineer hopes for a better working relation with contractors

CARIGARA, Leyte- After a month in office, the new district engineer of Department of Public Works and Highways- 2nd Leyte Engineering District Gerald Pacanan vowed to strengthen partnership with the contractors.

According to District Engineer Pacanan, conducting a regular coordination meeting with them is an initial step in forging a closer partnership between them and his office.

"The DPWH and the contractors are partners. Without (them), we cannot execute our projects,

and without us, (they) will have no projects. So we are here to help each other," expressed Pacanan.

Pacanan stated that it is high time to evaluate, supervise inventory and expedite project implementation in the second engineering district.

"Let us do away with time suspension. However, if we cannot avoid that, let us prepare the necessary documentation at the earliest possible time," he added.

He mandated the project engineers to settle concerns and have close coordination with the contractors.

At the same, the district office must also conduct strict monitoring on projects.

Pacanan further instructed to prioritize public safety by providing early warning signs on the ongoing projects to avoid any untoward incidents.

He then emphasized that the office must adhere with the quality policy of the department which is "to implement the right projects at the right cost with the right quality delivered right on time by the right people".

(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

## 9 couples tie knots in PNP mass wedding during Valentine's Day celebration

PALO, Leyte- At least nine couples from the Philippine National Police (PNP) here in the region exchanged vows in a mass wedding rites on Thursday(Feb.14), coinciding the Valentines celebration.

Police Regional Director Dionardo Carlos initiated the mass wedding ceremony held at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel, located within Camp Ruperto Kangleon, the regional PNP headquarters, this town.

The ceremony was solemnized by regional pas-

toral officer, Police Superintendent Joselito Borja.

"This mass wedding allows our personnel to enjoy the blessing of the sacrament of matrimony and further legitimize their relationship with their partners in line with the PNP's call for morality and decency," said Carlos.

"The Police Regional Office in Eastern Visayas strongly emphasizes our high regard for family life and the essence of matrimony in this season of love," added the police regional director who stood as one of the principal

sponsors of the wedding.

The newly-married couples were Police Senior Inspector Reynaldo Sobreviga and wife Melinda; PO 3 Alexis Balana and wife Remedios; PO 3 Jeffrey Betonio and wife Marieta Betonio; PO3 Randi Cañete and wife Janelle;PO3 Herminio Garcia and wife Joy; PO 3 Ronnel Saklay and wife Lorlyn;PO2 Erick Carbona and wife Janice;PO1 Vicente Navidad Jr and wife Zenny; and non-uniformed personnel Lowell Peterson Pascua and wife Beverly.

(RONALD O. REYES)

## Population officer hopeful bill seeking creation of LGU-level population offices will be approved by Congress

TACLOBAN CITY- An official of the Population Commission and Development is hopeful that Congress will approve a measure making it mandatory for all local government units (LGUs) to create their local population development offices.

The said bill, principally authored Laguna Rep. Sol Aragones, is still pending at the committee level of the House of Representatives.

Undersecretary Antonio Lopez, who was in Tacloban City last week, said that once the measure will be enacted by Congress, it would now be mandatory for all LGUs to create the local population

development office.

Lopez said that under the Local Government Code of 1992, LGUs are given the option whether to create such an office or not.

Thus, it's the reason why only a few of LGUs have a population development office, he said.

Lopez also pointed out that barangay service point officers (BSPOs), the front liners in the delivery of population-related programs in the villages, have also become limited.

As of today, there are only 9,000 active BSPOs serving in the country.

The agency only has 2,000 local population officers and workers in the country.

Lopez said that two weeks ago, he had a meeting with Rep.Aragones, the main author of the proposed bill, who vowed to work hard so that the measure would be approved by next year.

Still, Lopez said that even if the bill has yet to be approved by Congress, he personally coordinates with the Regional Development Councils (RDCs) and encourage them to create population and development offices voluntarily so that the Department of Health will have the necessary support to promote health, family planning and other related policies.

(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

## DOH donates ambulance to 3 Leyte public hospitals

PALO,Leyte – The Department of Health through the Health Facilities Enhancement Program (HFEP) has turnover three ambulances to hospitals under the supervision of the provincial government of Leyte.

they hope that the DOH will also extend help to seven other hospitals that are also maintained by the provincial government.

DOH Assistant Regional Director Exuperia Sabalo stressed that all hospitals should have

"We are thankful to the DOH for helping us. The province had been beefing up its capabilities in all aspect including in health, disaster preparedness and peace and order," the governor said.

Aside from the am-



Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla turned over the symbolic key of an ambulance to Dr. Corazon Grace, chief of hospital of the Western Leyte Provincial Hospital. The said hospital was one of the three hospitals under the supervision of the provincial government that received ambulance from the Department of Health. The turnover was held last Feb. 13 held at the Leyte Provincial Hospital in Pawing, Palo. (Gina P. Gerez)

The ambulances, each worth P2.2 million, were donated to the Leyte Provincial Hospital, Western Leyte Provincial Hospital in Baybay City and Ormoc District Hospital.

Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla and provincial health officer, Dr. Ofelia Absin, received the donated ambulances from the DOH-8.

"We recognize our limitation as a level 1 hospital. It is for this (reason) that we need to refer them to a higher center because of our limited capability. As much as we are trying to give the best treatment that we can, there are instances that our patients needs higher treatment or operation," Absin said.

"It is important that (we have) a good ambulance to ferry our patients to higher health facility the safest and comfortable way," she added.

The provincial health official added that aside from the three hospitals,

their own ambulances, adding that their office will just be glad to help health centers still lacking such facility.

She then asked the recipients of their donated ambulances to take good care of them.

"With DOH providing, the recipient's role and responsibility is to provide the competent manpower and well as the maintenance of the vehicle," Sabalo said.

Meantime, Gov. Petilla expressed his gratitude for the assistance extended by the DOH.

balance, the province also received budget for infrastructure project under the Health Facilities Enhancement Program (HFEP) of the DOH which includes rehabilitation of rural health units in the towns of Tunga, Carigara, Capoocan and Jaro and district hospitals in Burauen and Carigara.

Petilla added that improvement of district hospitals in Abuyog and Palompon are also ongoing.

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# DOH-8 urges parents to immunize children vs measles as cases spike

GOVERNMENT CENTER,PALO, Leyte-The Department of Health in Region 8 (DOH-8) has urged parents and the general public to have their children vaccinated against measles as cases in the region continue to increase.

During the press conference on Monday (Feb. 11), DOH-8 reported 268 cases of measles in the region with 11 deaths from January to February 9 this year.

With the measles outbreak in the region, DOH-8 Regional Director Minerva P. Molon advised parents to bring their children, at the onset of fever, to the nearest health center for treatment and proper case management.

Molon informed that children aged six months to 59 months old are eligible for measles vaccination which is available at the DOH health facilities for free.

As an ongoing response to the outbreak, Molon said they have already scheduled vaccination and assured also of enough measles vaccines. She, however, stressed that they were already conducting immunization activities as early as November last year before Secretary Francisco Duque declared the measles outbreak in the region.

“We will give focus first in areas with high number



DOH-8 Regional Director Minerva P. Molon

of cases as well as in areas with reported death,” Director Molon said adding that they are already in constant communication with the provincial and municipal health officers especially in areas with reported cases.

Roderick Boyd Cerro, chief of the regional epidemiology and surveillance unit, said majority of the measles cases was noted in the province of Leyte with 197 (73.5 percent) and the areas with high number of cases are as follows: Tacloban City (64), Palo (20), Burauen (19), Dagami (14), and Ormoc City (8).

Molon said they will be conducting a more intensive immunization activity in coordination with the local health offices.

The regional health department has already is-

sued guidelines to the local government units which will guide them in properly handling measles cases.

The DOH is also asking the schools to help them advocate to their pupils and students about the school-based immunization.

Measles is a highly contagious respiratory disease caused by a virus and can be transferred from person-to-person by sneezing, coughing and close personal contact. Its signs and symptoms include cough, runny nose, red eyes, fever, and skin rashes lasting for more than three days.

Complications include diarrhea, middle ear infection, pneumonia, swelling of the brain, malnutrition, and blindness which may eventually lead to death. **(LDLopido/PIA-8 Leyte)**

from North Hill Arbours, a resettlement site located in Barangay Santo Niño in Tacloban City, said that she would not allow her children to get vaccinated.

Bituin said that she lost her trust on the vaccination program not only because of Dengvaxia but also because her youngest child died on measles a year ago even the child was immunized.

“Even if they visit us, I will not allow my children to be vaccinated,” Bituin



Leyte (1st) dist.Rep. and Tingog party-list 1st nominee Yedda Marie K. Romualdez (right) with Councilor Aimee Grafil led the boodle fight lunch with more than 600 poor residents of Yolanda housing relocation sites at Brgy North Hill Arbor, Tacloban City during the kick-off ceremony of Tingog party-list campaign in Eastern Visayas. Romualdez vows to liberate from poverty the poor provinces of Samar, Leyte Southern Leyte and Biliran. **photo by Ver Noveno**

## Despite withdrawal of the order Leyeco II joins nationwide protest on DOE’s plan to revoke power coop franchises

TACLOBAN CITY-Officials and personnel of the Leyte II Electric Cooperative (Leyeco II), the power provider of this city and the nearby towns of Palo and Babatngon, joined on Thursday (Feb.14) a nationwide protest on the plan of the Department of Energy to revoke the franchises of 17 electric cooperatives.

As a sign of their dramatic protest, they all wore in black shirts, calling it as a black Valentine celebration.

Leyeco II general manager Fernan Paul Tan said that the activity was an act of support to condemn the move of Energy Secretary Alfonso Cusi who earlier recommended to revoke the franchises of 17 electric cooperatives which he claimed to be under performing.

Cusi, however, retracted his recommendation before the House of Representatives as he instead asked the National Electrification Administration (NEA) to review on the compliance of these power cooperatives to the service requirements of their franchises.

Still, what Sec. Cusi has done has caused damaged and had a chilling effect among the country’s 112 electric cooperatives, Tan said.

The Philippine Rural Electric Cooperatives, the umbrella organization of the country’s electric cooperatives, is leading in opposing to revocation of the franchises which they fear could lead to the privatization of these affected electric cooperatives.

It was revealed that in the succeeding Fridays the management and

employees will continue to wear black shirt to show their continuing protest.

The 17 cooperatives recommended by Cusi to have their franchises be revoked were Abra Electric cooperative (Abreco), Pampanga Electric Cooperative (Pelco III), Occidental Mindoro Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Ome-co) Oriental Mindoro Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Ormeco), Palawan Electric Cooperative (Paleco), Camarines Sur III Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Casureco III,) Albay Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Aleco), Masbate Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Maselco), First Catanduanes Electric Cooperatives, Inc. (Ficelco), Ticao Island Electric Cooperatives, Inc. (Tiselco); Zamboanga City Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Zamelco); Davao del Norte Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Daneco); Basilan Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Baselco); Sulu Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Suleco); Tawi-Tawi Electric Cooperative Inc. (Tawelco; Maguindanao Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Mangelco) and Lanao del Sur (Lasureco).

**(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)**

### Measles...

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Eastern Visayas Regional Medical Center (EVRMC) and the Leyte Provincial Hospital (LPH) were infected by measles.

“We need all the help to prevent the spread of measles in the region. If you haven’t received measles immunization yet, please have yourself vaccinated,” Sabalo said.

Dr. Ofelia Absin, LPH acting provincial health officer, said that since the cases of measles keeps on increasing there are times that they had to refer the patients to other hospitals.

“It’s not only pedia but even adults are infected with measles. In fact, when our isolation ward are full. We have no choice but to

refer them to other health facilities that can give them with their needed medical attention,” Absin said.

“We also vaccinated our health workers who are in the frontline especially those who are handling the isolation ward to make sure that they are protected from measles,” she added.

The increase of measles cases in the region and in other parts of the country was blamed on the refusal of parents to have their children vaccinated after the Dengvaxia controversy broke out.

The regional DOH has reported that its immunization coverage has dropped to 55 percent from 85 to 90 percent in previous campaigns.

Elena Bituin, 27, a mother of four children



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**Voters, be very careful in our choice for party lists**

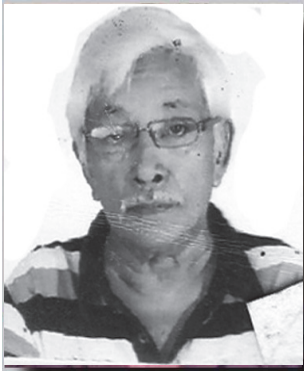
**T**he party- list system appears to be a failure in its intention to represent the marginalized and misrepresented sector of society. It was supposed to be a reform-based measure.

The party- list strategy is being harshly diminished if not totally destroyed coursed by clever politicians; the greedy and the several filthy-rich among us who want to possess power to advance their personal interests.

It is very clear that incumbent politicians have organized party- lists to expand their influence and in many instances to accommodate their wives or other members of their families to assume representation of that party list.

Let us use our conviction to rally against the party- lists with their clear evil intentions.

The law or the legalization of party-lists should be reviewed and amended so it can really represent the marginalized and misrepresented sectors of society.



**Observer**

ALVIN GZ. ARPON

**A Referendum on DU30: the May 2019 midterm elections**

This statement by the opposition might be true. In fact to a certain extent it could happen. But if it happens it is an indication that intelligent voting does not happen in this democratic nation the Maharlika republic, the name the nation, Digong wants renamed.

President Duterte has surprisingly veered away from observed party principles or political party ideology. So strange his moves are. He is the head of the PDP-Laban, but he is coming up with his own personal choice of senatorial hopefuls in

the coming May 2019 mid term elections-not straight PDP-LABAN party-mates.

Indeed the midterm elections will reveal how the president appears among the citizenry. All this 11 candidates will have to garner a landslide, real proof that he has still the support of majority of our constituents. Otherwise he will be having a hard unhappy times in the next remaining 3 years of his term if his candidates will not win impressively.

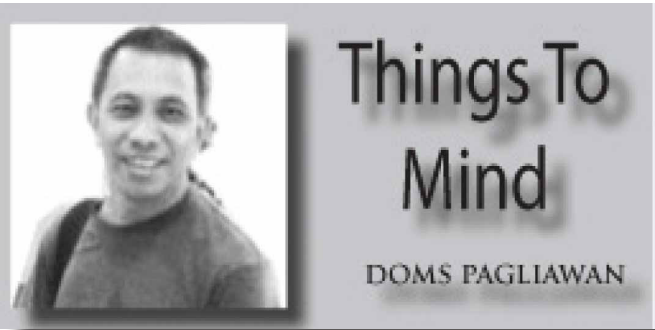
It is quite obvious that coming up with his personal choice for the candidates for Senator is a strategy to wage control of the Senate for it to submit to his will and whim. The legislature will lose its credibility

as a legal partner in a check and balance policy in instituting government policies.

We pray this Malacañang scheme should not happen. Independent – minded Filipinos idealistic professionals, active exponent of democracy should band up together to conduct a campaign or undergo an election education drive to explain to our people the realities of living in a real democratic society. They should emphasize why we have three branches of government – legislative, executive and judiciary. Emphasize or check and balance.

Let us revisit history especially what happened under the Ferdinand E. Marcos dictatorship.





Tipa-Manila

(Here is the last part of the Waray classic short story that I wrote and serialized in this column to celebrate the Arts Month):

Kay masirak liwat an adlaw ha gawas; nakakadugang han paso. Pero nabati hi Man Caloy hin daru-dalugdog tikang han mag-itum nga dampog nga napundok ha may katungdan nga dapit. Maupay nganiya kon mauran kay basi maibanan it kapaso.

Samtang hira naglilini-ibot-libot pamiling hin lulugaran, pas-an la gihap ni Man Caloy an sako ngan kinukugos an pasi, hi Mana Bising nakapot han iya kamot ha likud. Umabat hi Man Caloy hin gut-as. Waray pa hira maningudto kay han waray pa aabot an barko, dumiri hiya pagbaya ha pier para mamiling hin makakaunan kay bangin daw hira hibayaan. Kontento na hiya, o hira nga duha, pagtinabako samtang napungko ha ligid han kalsada.

Ngani, hadto nga takna nga makadto na hira ha barko, nangangadal na hi Man Caloy sugad han pirmi niya inaabat kon ginugutom hiya. May balon gad hira nga kan-on, pinutos hin dahon hin anahaw, pero ginsulod ini ni Man Caloy ha sako ngan hilarum pagkuha.

Sugad han binuhat han iba nga pasaheros nga kasasakay la, dida nala hira Man Caloy nangalingkod ha ligid han aragi-an bisan kon pasadiso ini hin tawo. Waray na hira iba nga mapupwestohan. An importante, siring ni Man Caloy, an makadangat hira ha Manila kay sigurado, maghihinulat gud hi Amado didto hit duru-ungan.

“Ngan iduduhol ta dayon ha iya ini nga pasi para hiya malipay,” baton ni Mana Bising nga nagngingirisi, kita an magdulaw nga mga ngipon, an ginanghaw mataru-tangali.

“Aw kay alang gad. Hingangalipay gud it hiya hin ti-upay,” siring ni Man Caloy. “Pamati ko, di la mag-iha, pwede na ini nga litsonon.” Gin-upay niya

pagkugos an pasi ngan ginhinapyod an tiyan. Diri na ini niya pwede ibutang ha iya atubangan kay damu an umaragi ngan tingali hita-makan.

Samtang nakada ha iya dughan kinugos, an pasi in tigda nga kumilikid, nangusog, ngan diritso nagpururot an bubot. Nagbunay ini, rason para bumungkaras hi Man Caloy ngan igin-wirik an pasi hasta lugod nga nabuhi-an ini, nahulog ha salug kon diin, pakabuhat la, kadagmitan nga kumarida tipahirayu ha sobra nga kahadlok.

Naglamukat an long sleeves ni Man Caloy. Pero kadagmitan la gihap hiya nga sumibo han nakabuhi nga hayop. Kon diin-diin hiya nga piliw nanhingan-gadto. Malaksi an pasi; nagsusuhot-suhot ha ilarum han mga teheras. Nagpapamumunggo an lagas pagsinibu, nagpapakatamak hin mga kargamento ngan mga tawo, nga dayon namamagigsug tungod han lamiri nga nagtatabsik ngadto ha ira.

Waray magpira, binulig hi Mana Bising pagmaladakop han hayop. Kinahanglan nganiya madakop an pasi kay bangin lumukso ngadto ha dagat. Baga na hira hin nagpapasibo-ay nga kabataan. An problema, waray gud hira pakakadakop kay masuok an sakub han barko ngan damu hin duro an surok-sukan. Nagpipiriti na hira hin balhas. Hi Man Caloy, labot nga napilit na ha lawas an sulot, naninimaho na pa gud kay ha iya atubangan, nagsarang na an hugaw han pasi, namimilit ha iya busag nga long sleeves. Nagtitip-ig an mga tawo ha iya pag-aagi ngan an iba, natakpo nala han ira mga iron.

Maupay kay an iba nga magkirit, daw inalpan hin kaluoy. Bumulig hira pagmala-dakop han pasi bisan kon maaram hira nga pwede hira magka-hugaw. Gintatapo-tapo nira an hayop hasta nga waray na ini

kinakadto-an.

Ha gawas, nagtikang pagbunok an makusog nga uran, pinapadisan hin dalugdog ngan kikidlat. Tikang han mga loud speakers han barko, nag-aningal an pasabot: “pwera bisita, pwera bisita.” Natingala hi Man Caloy kon ano an buot sidngon hini. Gin-inurotro pa gud ini.

Pakasabot ada han pasi nga waray na hiya eskapo, pumulsot ini hin tigda ha atubangan ni Man Caloy ngan diritso nagsulsog han agi-an tipakadto han damyo, ngan waray ini humunong pagdinalagan hasta nga nakaabot ha pantalan.

Ginsibu la gihap ini nira Man Caloy tipagawas, hi Mana Bising napirig-pitig ha urhi. Diri niya batasan in magkarag hin grasya. Bis pa ngani it mga kan-on nga nahuhulog tikang ha iya plato oras hin pangaon, iya ini pinamumurot, asay pa ba it pasi nga iya ibubukad hit iya higugmaon nga anak?

Waray na mga tawo nga sinunod pagsibu. Didto ha gawas, dayon hira nahumoy han uran nga may upod nga alipuros. Mas lumaksi an dalagan han pasi ha ilarum han uran kay waray na nakaka-ulang, labot la hin pira ka tawo nga nagpaka-payong ha tagliligid. Hi Man Caloy naman, nakabuylo hin pag-inisog ngan pagbinuyayaw. Nagngingidot an iya nanhihibilin nga mga ngipon. Tipatay na gud hiya kon бага tawo la an naghahatag ha ira hin sugad nga remalaso. Ginbubutlaw na hira pagdinalagan, labi na hi Man Caloy nga medyo tigurang na.

Pag-abot han pasi ha puno han pantalan, lumiko ini tipatu-o, ngadto han mga iskwater nga kabablayan. Didto han mga sirong hini nagsuhot-suhot an pasi. Sibula gihap hi Man Caloy pero paghingadto niya ha sirong nanhipupudol hiya dida han mga harigi ngan naghilubong-lubong an iya mga tiil dida han mag-itum nga hanang. Damu an basura nga nagsasarang dida han kalagyan upod na in mga hugaw hin hayop ug tawo tikang hin waray toilet nga kabablayan.

Ginhubo nala ni Man Caloy an iya lagayon nga sapatos ngan ipinangitsa ngadto kan Mana Bising nga nasirong didto ha ligid hin usa nga balay, an mahulos nga dognit napilit dida han iya lawas.

Ha katapusan, nahingadto an pasi hin nagtatapo nga pader kon diin waray



Our hidden faults and weaknesses

EVEN while we try our best to know ourselves, we also would know that we can never know ourselves enough, much less, completely. Man is a great mystery. St. Augustine said as much:

“Don’t you believe that there is in man a deep so profound as to be hidden even to him in whom it is?” We just have to learn to live with this abiding predicament of ours and do something to deal with it as best as we can.

Of course, we are always encouraged that we make regular examinations of conscience so we can probe into the hidden parts of our mind and heart, of our conscience, and get to know the motives and spirit behind our thoughts, desires, words, deeds and negligences.

na niya sadang kadto-an. Diritso ini gindasmagan ni Man Caloy, ginkaptan an mga tiil ngan dayon ginbikyaw. Nagpinulos-pugos an pasi, nahikaburuhi, salit dumugang paghurugaw an iya busag nga badu.

Dadlagan liwat hira nga duha tipabalik ngadto han barko, dara na an pasi. Waray hira igsarabot nga an barko harayu na ngayan an tukal tikang ha pantalan. Nabirik na ini para pumas-pas hin paglarga. Nasabtan la ini nira han ira na pag-abot ngadto han binutangan han damyo.

“Hooyyy, hulat anay, aadi pa kami!” guli-at ni Man Caloy, sige an kampanya han mga kamot, naglulukso nga бага hin lumatod. Binulig hi Mana Bising pagkinuligi, nagbabatonbatonay hira, dagku an mga tingug. Humagyu hi Man Caloy paglayog ngadto han dagat para lumangoy nala ngan sibula on an barko, pero ginkaptan hiya ni Mana Bising kay diri daw ini nasabot paglangoy. Ha luyo han ira pagkinuyahaw, waray

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This is not an easy task, especially if we are burdened by tiredness and the many concerns that hound our mind. Just the same, the only thing to do is that we try our best, even if our best is never enough. We just have to go on and on, trying to know ourselves well.

We cannot deny that there are just too many temptations and all forms of evil for us to cope with. A psalm expresses this fact well: “For evils without number surround me. My sins have overtaken me, so that I cannot see. They are more than the hairs of my head, and my heart has failed within me.” (40,12)

We don’t have to look far to verify the truth of these words. We just have to look at our own experiences and see how many evils, in all kinds of forms and ways, visit us the whole day.

We therefore should pray a lot, putting ourselves as much as we can in God’s presence, so that whatever happens, we would still be with him. We can make use of another psalm as a prayer to go with our examinations of conscience:

“Who can discern his own errors? Cleanse me from my hidden faults.” (19,12) Still another psalm is helpful: “See if there is any offensive way in me. Lead me in the way everlasting.” (139,24)

We need to be humble to acknowledge this fact of life. Only the proud and the vain would ignore this, and thus neglect the needed action to address this universal human predicament. It is in this kind of uncorrected situation that we would be building up a moral disaster in a matter of time.

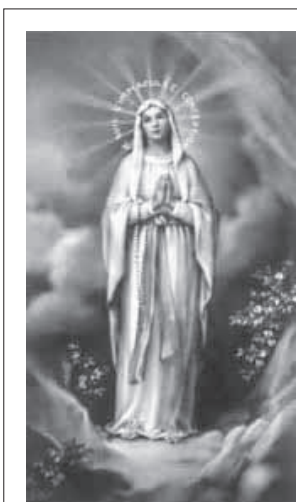
No matter how daunting the effort is in knowing more and more about our hidden faults and weaknesses, we just have to go on with that duty. It can be a way of showing the authenticity of our love for God and for others. And it will pay off tremendously.

We would become a better person, more able to handle the issues and challenges of our life. We would certainly make a better world for all of us, no matter how small our individual contribution may be. More importantly, we would be more able to discern God’s will promptly.

Our interest and motive for knowing more about our hidden faults and weaknesses is not because of a perfectionist mentality. Rather it should be because of our love for God and for everyone. We are interested in this duty because we want to love God more and serve others better. We want to glorify God.

We need to be reminded of this motive quite often, because we can easily fall into a perfectionist trap, just wanting to improve ourselves simply for our own sake alone. This is when we can reinforce our pride and vanity, considering ourselves as superior to others.

That is why we always need to rectify our intentions. We should never forget that the danger of perfectionism is always around.



Pray the Holy Rosary daily for world peace and conversion of sinners (The family that prays together stays together)


**Prayer for the Nation and for Those who Serve in Public Office**

God, our Father, you guide everything in wisdom and love. Accept the prayers we offer for our nation, by the wisdom of our leaders and integrity of our citizens, may harmony and justice be secured and may there be lasting prosperity and peace.

Almighty and eternal God, You know the longings of our hearts and You protect our rights in your goodness, watch over those in authority, so that people everywhere may enjoy freedom, security and peace.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever, Amen. (Courtesy of Daughters of St. Paul)





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**MUNICIPALITY OF PARANAS**  
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**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIAN BAYAN**

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 38**

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING AND REGULATING THE USES OF PLASTICS FOR GOODS AND COMMODITIES THAT END UP AS RESIDUAL WASTE AND PROMOTING THE USE OF ECO BAGS AND OTHER ENVIRONMENT FRIENDLY PRACTICES AS AN ALTERNATIVE**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

**WHEREAS**, Article II, Sec 16 of the Philippines Constitution provides that the State shall protect and advance the right of the people and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

**WHEREAS**, Sec 3(i) of RA 7160 provides that Local Government Units shall share with the National government the responsibility in the management and maintenance of ecological balance within their territorial jurisdiction;

**WHEREAS**, Sec 447(vi) of RA 7160 also empowers the Sangguniang Bayan to protect the environment and impose appropriate penalties for acts which endanger the environment including such activities which result in pollution and acceleration of rivers and lakes or ecological imbalance;

**WHEREAS**, plastic bags and Styrofoam are rampantly used as packaging materials and utensils in the Municipality of Paranas and elsewhere;

**WHEREAS**, despite serious efforts of the Municipality to segregate compostable, recyclable, and reusable waste materials, plastic and other similar materials, remain in the waste stream and eventually become residuals;

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality is spending a considerable amount of money for operational and maintenance expenses on waste disposal;

**WHEREAS**, the present Municipal Mayor is very desirous to reduce if not eliminate the use of plastic film bags and Styrofoam as packaging materials, encourages the utilization of alternative packaging materials such as woven bags (bayong), baskets, cloth bags (katsa), paper bags and other similar materials (e.g. banana leaves, etc);

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to regulate the use of plastic bags to prevent potential serious ecological imbalance particularly in the municipal waterways.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Paranas in session assembled, that:

**TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**Section 1. Title** – This ordinance shall be known as an “AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING AND REGULATING THE USES OF PLASTICS FOR GOODS AND COMMODITIES THAT END UP AS RESIDUAL WASTE AND PROMOTING THE USE OF ECO BAGS AND OTHER ENVIRONMENT FRIENDLY PRACTICES AS AN ALTERNATIVE”.

**Section 2. Scope and Coverage.** This Ordinance shall cover all types of plastics that end up as residual waste. Types of plastics that are currently and economically diverted within the municipality through resource recovery such as re-use and recycling shall not be covered. Plastic products and plastics that form part of a product such as from semiconductor and electronic products except as container or packaging material shall not be covered. Other types of plastics that form part of the residual waste but are not explicitly prohibited, regulated or otherwise mentioned in this ordinance are considered not covered.

This ordinance shall be applicable to and observed in all household, industrial, commercial or business establishments, scrap collector, junk dealers and all persons, whether living or sojourning in the municipality.

**Section 3. Definition of Terms.** For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms are defined:

**Buy back center** – shall refer to a recycling center that purchases or otherwise accepts recyclable materials for the purpose of recycling.

**Child** –refers to a person under the age of eighteen (18).

**Child in Conflict with the Law** –refers to a child who is alleged as, accused of, or adjudged as having committed an offense under Philippine laws.

**Container**- shall refer to the material which contains and is in direct contact with the product especially in the cases of liquid products, wet goods, food and beverages, e.g.bottles, trays, plastic or paper wraps, laminated cartons etc.; dry and solid goods do not usually require containers.

**Ecobags or re-usable bags**- are bags made out of different materials that can withstand several uses as containers and for packaging rendering them “eco-friendly as they provide an alternative to disposable bags; commonly used ecobags are made from fabric, recycled or indigenous materials; it may also refer to “thick” plastic bags or any bag made out of plastic provided that the material is strong that will render the bag durable for re-use; bags made from recycled materials such as paper are not necessarily considered ecoBags if not re-usable as stated, e.g. thin brown paper bags commonly known as “supot” used for “pandesal”.

**Generator (s)**- shall refer to a person, natural or juridical, who last uses a material and makes it available for disposal or recycling.

**Packaging material**- shall refer to any material which may contain but not necessarily in direct contact with the product especially for purposes of protection, preservation, handling, transport and marketability e.g. cartons, carrier bags, packaging films, protective foams for electronic products; it shall also refer to any material which acts as a secondary container to a product, i.e., for purposes of containment but not in direct contact with the product, e.g. the box which contains a bottle filled with liquid perfume.

**Person(s)**- shall refer to any being, natural or juridical, susceptible of rights and obligations of being subject of legal relations.

**Cloth bag [a.k.a. katsa]** – refers to a reusable packaging material made of cloth [biodegradable] used in the packaging of flour, wheat and other similar goods.

**Dry goods** – refers to any product that do not require refrigeration or freezing to maintain freshness.

**Intervention** – refers to a series of activities which are designed to address issues that caused the child to commit an offense. It may take the form of an individualized treatment program which may include counselling, skills training, education, and other activities that will enhance his/her psychological, emotional and psycho-social well-being.

**Plastic bags** – also known as sando bags, pouch, plastic shopping bags and plastic firm bags. It is a type of flexible packaging material made of thin, plastic film that is used for containing and transporting food and other products [commercial or industrial]. It also refers to thin-gauge packaging medium that is used as bag or wrap.

**Styrofoam/styrophor**- refers to a kind of packaging material used as food containers, disposable cups, plates, etc.

**Plastic waste**- refers to any plastic material thrown as waste.

**Primary packaging material**- refers to those types of packaging for containing produce, snack foods, frozen foods, hardware etc.

**Secondary packaging material**- refers to those types of packaging materials for wet goods to provide support to any primary packaging and intended for convenience of the handler, as well.

**Wet foods**- refers to any product that requires refrigeration or freezing to maintain freshness such as fish, meat, poultry products, fruits, vegetables, beverages and cooked foods in canderias/eateries.

**Wet market**- generally refers to the store of products that requires refrigeration or freezing to maintain freshness. These include the wet section in public markets, supermarkets, mini marts, restaurants and canderias/eateries.

**Woven bags**- [a.k.a. bayong], refers to biodegradable packaging material made of woven pandan, buli leaves, water lily and other similar materials.

**Post-consumer materials**- shall refer only to those materials or products generated by a business or consumer which have served their intended end use, and which have been separated or diverted from solid waste for the purpose of being collected, processed and used as raw materials in the manufacturing of recycled product, excluding materials and by products generated from, and commonly used within an original manufacturing process.

**Recyclable waste**- shall refer to any waste material retrieved from the waste stream and free from contamination that can still be converted into suitable beneficial use or for other purposes.

**Material**- shall refer to post-consumer material that has been processed to be used for making a product, e.g. recycled paper

**Residual wastes**- shall refer to waste materials that are collected, transferred and transported for final disposal as garbage.

**Semi-conductor and electronic products**- refer to products containing semiconductor materials and operated by electricity such as communication and information technology gadgets like cellular phones and computers and appliances such as radios and television.

For thorough understanding of this ordinance, plastic shall refer to natural and synthetic materials that are produced by chemically modifying natural substances or are synthesized from inorganic and organic raw materials. On thermosets, elastomers and thermoplastics. The following table illustrates the most common types of plastics used, their applications and the symbol which is often used to identify them:

**Polymer Types Examples of Applications Symbol:**

**Polyethylene/Terephthalate**- ex. Fizzy drink and water bottles. Salad trays.

**High Density Polyethylene**- ex. Milk bottles, bleach, cleaners and most shampoo bottles.

**Polyvinyl Chloride**- ex. Pipes, fittings, window and door frames(rigid PVC). Thermal insulation (PVC foam) and automotive parts.

**Low Density Polyethylene**- ex. Carrier bags, bin liners and packaging films.

**Polypropylene**- ex. Margarine tubs, microwaveable meal trays, also produced as fibres and filaments for carpets, wall coverings and vehicle upholstery.

**Polystyrene**- ex. Yoghurt pots, foam hamburger boxes and egg cartons, plastic cutlery, protective packaging for electronic goods and toys. Insulating material in the building and construction industry.

**Unallocated References**- Any other plastics that does not fall into any of the above categories – for example polycarbonate which is often used in glazing for the aircraft industry.

**TITLE II. PROHIBITED AND REGULATED USE OF PLASTICS**

**Section 4.** Regulated Uses of Plastic for Goods and Commodities.

Listed below are the regulated uses of plastic bags that has to conform with local regulations:

- To utilize as packaging material nor as container for dry and wet goods;
- To use as non-reusable plastic wares for food as containers and packaging material such as Styrofoam for food and drinks including plastic utensils such as spoon, fork and knife for dine in and especially for take-out customers;
- Use of plastic pouch (commonly used for ice making) and drinking straw for beverages such as soft drinks, juices and other cold drinks like “palamig” and “gulaman”;
- Use of plastic bag as garbage bag; and
- Re-use of plastics as flaglets and “bandaritas” during “fiestas”.

**Section 5.** Prohibition on the Use/Sell of Plastic in any Business Establishments. Listed below are the prohibited sell/uses of plastic in any business establishments in this municipality:

- No business establishment shall utilize plastic bags as packaging materials on dry goods;
- No business establishment dealing on wet goods shall use plastic bags as primary packaging material;
- No business establishment shall use Styrofoam/styrophor and other similar container for food, produce and other products; and
- No business establishment shall offer or sell plastic to be used as secondary packaging material or as primary packaging material on dry goods;
- Selling and providing plastic bags to consumers as secondary packaging material on wet goods;
- Selling and providing plastic bags to consumer as secondary packaging materials on dry goods;
- Selling and providing Styrofoam/styrophor as container; and
- Disposing plastic waste on streets, canals, body of waters and public places.

**Section 6.** Regulated Uses of Plastics for Goods and Commodities.

The use of plastics on the following are hereby regulated:

- Wet goods that are already pre-contained in plastic wraps, pouches bag and the like as part of the product’s packaging materials such as frozen products, shall not be contained further in plastic bags.
- Other wet goods that are not pre-contained in plastic pouches, wraps or bags are preferably to be contained in customer supplied “reusable” pre-cleaned and sanitized hard plastic containers.
- Plastic products for as long as they will end up as recyclable waste may be allowed such as plastic cups (commonly regarded as Hi or High Impact), ice cream cups, egg trays, spoon and fork.
- Oil plastic bottles shall be re-used at all times since they don’t usually end up as recyclable waste; other plastic bottles that are not accepted at “buy back centers” like barangay MRF’s municipal MRF or junkshops shall be re-used and should not end up as residual waste.
- Sacks and other similar bags shall be re-used as garbage bags; garbage collectors shall return the sacks for further re-use as garbage bags.

**TITLE III. ALTERNATIVE USE OF ECO BAGS AND OTHER ENVIRONMENT FRIENDLY PRACTICES**

**Section 7.** Use of Eco Bags and other Environment Friendly Practices as an Alternative. All sectors are strictly enjoined to use eco bags and observe the following environment friendly practices:

- Posting of Information and Education Campaign (IEC) materials shall be mandatory on all commercial establishments such as sari-sari stores, convenient stores, grocery stores, market stalls, food establishments like eateries, fast-food chains, restaurants, bar and grills, general merchandisers like school supplies, hardware stores or any trading business establishment that will require containers and packaging materials for the product they trade.
- Proprietors, managers and operations officer of business establishments shall brief or train their respective personnel that will be in the frontline to implement this ordinance.
- All sectors are enjoined to use EcoBags in all aspects of its business transactions whenever applicable and the general public shall bring appropriate containers whenever they are going to the market.
- Business establishments are encouraged to give discounts and freebies to users of ecoBags.
- Business establishments and non-governmental organizations are enjoined to promote the use of ecoBags by developing their own IEC materials such as posters, pins, tarpaulins, streamers etc.
- Recovery of tetra packs or doy packs of juice drinks shall be made during occasions and wake.
- Tarpaulins and streamers shall be recovered after their intended use; the Municipal Engineering Office shall recover tarpaulins and streamers posted within the municipality after expiration of their permits; the Municipal Recovery Facilities shall recover all the tarpaulins and streamers used by the Municipality.
- Barangay officials shall take the lead in their respective barangays to ensure recovery of recyclable materials that may be used for making ecoBags.
- Recyclable materials that may be used for making ecobags shall be brought to the MRF.
- Use of ecoBags shall be mandatory for the Municipality of Paranas; use of ecoBag made from NFA rice sack shall be made a requirement for the availment of NFA rice at NFA “Tindahan Natin” and any ecoBag for the availment of any commodity; similar mechanics shall apply to other programs that may require use of ecoBags.
- Recycled and recyclable bags are recommended as second-best thing to ecoBags.
- Business establishments shall provide their own re-usable container for wet goods and/or require its consumers to bring their own re-usable container for the same.
- Business establishments shall use cardboard boxes to pack groceries and other dry goods.

**TITLE IV. NO PLASTIC DAY**

**Section 8. No Plastic Day** –In instances where uses of plastic bag are regulated, such as section 4 of this ordinance, it shall be prohibited to use plastic bags every Thursday of every week.

**TITLE V. LGU ASSISTANCE**

**Section 9.** This Local Government Unit to ensure the enforcement of this Ordinance shall endeavor to extend assistance and subsidies, to wit:

- On the first (1) year of the implementation of this Ordinance, the Municipality shall provide woven bags (Bayong) or Eco Bags to its constituents free of charge.
- Conduct/sponsor free seminars and trainings for the production of woven bags and Ecobags as an alternative to the use of plastics.
- Give certificate of appreciation and commendation to individuals, association and business establishments who promoted the observance of this Ordinance.
- Give incentive to those persons/association/organization who reported the violation of this ordinance to the apprehending officer.

**TITLE VI. PUBLIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGN**

**Section 10. INFORMATION, EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN.** Upon approval of this Ordinance, the Office of the Mayor shall create for this purpose a taskforce who shall conduct massive information education and communication campaign using all possible media such as print, radio, and internet.

**Section 11. Monitoring and Enforcement.** The Local Chief Executive shall create through an Executive Order a taskforce to enforce and monitor the effective implementation of this Ordinance. The MENRO shall be the officer to supervise the implementation of this Ordinance.

The Philippine National Police, Paranas Municipal Police Station shall be tapped as partner agency for the effective implementation of this ordinance.

The Office of the LCE and/or the taskforce shall conduct annual compliance monitoring inspection to include business establishments covered by the ordinance. This shall include sari-sari stores, convenient stores, market stalls food establishments, groceries and supermarkets among others. Non-compliance as provided for in the environment code shall be considered a ground for revocation or non-renewal of business permits.

**TITLE VII. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ORDINANCE**

**Section 12. Implementing Rules and Regulation (IRR)**

a. Within thirty (30) days from the approval of this Ordinance, the necessary rules and regulations shall be issued by the Office of the Mayor for the proper and effective implementation of this Ordinance.

**TITLE VIII. FINES AND PENALTIES**

**Section 13. Penalties.** Any violation of this ordinance shall be penalized by the following penalties:

First Offense	-	Php 500.00
Second Offense	-	Php 1,000.00
Third Offense	-	Php 1,500.00

Any violation of the ordinance for the first offense, an individual has an option to pay the corresponding fine or render community service as maybe prescribed hereunder.

A community service shall refer, but not limited to clean-up drives, coastal clean-up drives, tree planting activities, blood donation program, either organize by the Municipal Local Government, Barangay Local Government or any private group.

Fine and/or imprisonment of not more than six (6) months upon the discretion of the court.

Any business establishment found violating this ordinance shall be required to pay the corresponding penalty. In case of refusal to pay, the penalties may be collected by the Municipal Treasurer upon renewal of its license. Cancellation of its license to operate for a period of one (1) year shall be imposed for the third offense.

In case a Child in Conflict with the Law is found violating this ordinance, he/she shall be reprimanded. Further, the Municipal Social Welfare Development Office (MSWDO) shall conduct an intervention program pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act 9344 or the “Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006”.

For any succeeding violations, the liability shall devolve upon those persons having such Child in Conflict with the Law under their legal authority or control pursuant to the principle of vicarious liability provided under the Family Code in relation to the New Civil Code, to wit:

Art. 221. *Parents and other persons exercising parental authority shall be civilly liable for the injuries and damages caused by the acts or omissions of their unemancipated children living in their company and under their parental authority subject to the appropriate defences provided by law.*

**TITLE IX. FINAL PROVISIONS**

**Section 14. Separability Clause.** If any part of this Ordinance is declared as unconstitutional or unlawful, such declaration shall not affect the other parts or section hereof that are not declared unlawful or unconstitutional.

**Section 15. Repealing Clause.** All previous ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

**Section 16. Effectivity.** This Ordinance shall take effect after the lapse of fifteen (15) days from the date of publication or after posting of the same in three (3) conspicuous places in the Municipality.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY by the members present.

ENACTED: JANUARY 28, 2019

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing.

<b>TITO ALFONSO D. QUILAPIO</b> Secretary-Designate	
Attested:	
<b>HON. CARLOS B. ABAN</b> SB Member	<b>HON. EBEL E. OBOR</b> SB Member
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APPROVED:	
<b>ATTY. EUNICE U. BABALCON</b> Municipal Mayor	



<div><div>Republic of the Philippines Province of Leyte Municipality of Palompon</div><div>OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN</div></div>	<div>AND DESIGNATING SMOKING AREAS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PALOMPON AND IMPOSING PENALTIES THEREOF</div>	
<div>EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 113th REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF PALOMPON, LEYTE HELD ON JANUARY 28, 2019 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL</div>	<div>BE IT ENACTED, AS IT IS HEREBY ENACTED, BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAY- AN OF PALOMPON, IN SESSION ASSEMBLED, BY VIRTUE OF THE POWERS VESTED IN IT BY LAW, THAT:</div>	
<div>PRESENT: Honorable Myra Georgina L. Arevalo, M.D. . . . Municipal Vice-Mayor/ Presiding Officer  Councilor Margarito C. Bensig, Jr. . . . SB Member 1 Councilor Reubin B. Patalinghug . . . SB Member 1 Councilor Ferdinand T. dela Calzada . . . SB Member 1 Councilor Edgar P. Pacaldo . . . SB Member 1 Councilor Esperanza L. Sumalinog . . . SB Member 1 Councilor Rene A. Camposano . . . Ex-Officio Member – Liga President  Councilor Evana Kirstie H. Misagal . . . Ex-Officio Member – SK Fed. President</div>	<div>SECTION 1. TITLE. — This Ordinance shall be known as the “<b>ANTI- SMOKING ORDINANCE OF PALOMPON</b>”.</div> <div>SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY - It is a policy and priority of the Municipality of Palompon to promote the health and welfare of its citi- zens. The purpose of this Ordinance is to fully safeguard public health and ensure the physical well being of its people as well as those who enter its jurisdiction and to promote and instill health consciousness among its con- stituents. Therefore it is important that Barangays and / or communities fully cooperate in the implementation of this ordinance. The Municipality shall take special measures to protect minors from procuring, trying, and becoming addicted to the vice of smoking.</div> <div>SECTION 3. COVERAGE. — This Ordinance shall apply to all persons, whether natural or juridical, whether resident or not, and in all places, found within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Palompon.</div> <div>SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS. — As used in this Ordinance, the terms below shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section. Any words or terms not defined shall be given their plain and customary mean- ings, unless the context requires otherwise, and shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with the purpose and spirit of this Ordinance.</div> <div>a. <i>Advertising and promotion</i> - means any form of commercial com- munication, recommendation or action with the aim, effect or likely effect of promoting a tobacco product or tobacco use either directly or indirectly.</div> <div>b. <i>Civil Society Organization (CSO)</i> - refers to a legally constituted vol- untary civic and social organization or institution created with no participa- tion of government, including but not limited to, charities, development Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), community groups, women’s organizations, faith-based organizations, professional associations, coalitions and advocacy groups. As used in this Ordinance, CSO does not include organizations or associations related to or connected with the tobacco in- dustry in any way.</div> <div>c. <i>Enclosed or partially enclosed</i> - means being covered by a roof or enclosed by one or more walls or sides, regardless of the type of material used for the roof, wall or sides, and regardless of whether the structure is permanent or temporary.</div> <div>d. <i>Minor</i> - refers to any person below eighteen (18) years old.</div> <div>e. <i>Outdoor advertisement</i> - refers to any sign, model, placard, board, billboard, banner, bunting, light display, device, structure or representation employed outdoors wholly or partially to advertise or promote a tobacco product to the public.</div> <div>f. <i>Person-in-charge</i> - refers to in case of public places, public outdoor spaces and workplaces; the president/manager in case of a company, cor- poration or association; the owner/proprietor/operator in case of a single proprietorship; or the administrator in case of government property, office or building; in case of public conveyances, the owner, driver, operator, con- ductor, or the captain of the public conveyance.</div> <div>g. <i>Point-of-sale</i> - refers to any location at which an individual can pur- chase or otherwise obtain tobacco products.</div> <div>h. <i>Public conveyances</i> - refers to modes of transportation servicing the general population, such as, but not limited to, elevators, airplanes, ships, jeepneys, buses, taxicabs, trains, light rail transits, tricycles, habal-habal, pot-pots and other similar vehicles.</div> <div>i. <i>Public places</i> - means all places, fixed or mobile, that are accessible or open to the public or places for collective use, regardless of ownership or right to access, including, but not limited to, establishments that provide food and drinks, accommodation, merchandise, professional services, en- tertainment or other services. It also includes outdoor spaces where facili- ties are available for the public or where a crowd of people would gather, such as, but not limited to, playgrounds, sports grounds or centers, church grounds, health/hospital compounds, transportation terminals, markets, parks, resorts, walkways, entrance ways, waiting areas, and the like.</div> <div>j. <i>Second-hand smoke</i> - means the smoke emitted from the burning end of a cigarette or from other tobacco products usually in combination with the smoke exhaled by the smoker.</div> <div>k. <i>Smoking</i> - means being in possession or control of a lit tobacco prod- uct regardless of whether the smoke is being actively inhaled or exhaled.</div> <div>l. <i>Tobacco Products</i> - means products entirely or partly made of the leaf tobacco as raw material which are manufactured to be used for smoking, sucking, chewing or snuffing, such as cigarettes and cigars.</div> <div>m. <i>Workplace</i> - means any place used by people during their employ- ment or work, whether done for compensation or voluntarily, including all attached or associated places commonly used by the workers in the course of their work (for example, corridors, elevators, stairwells, toilets, lobbies, lounges). 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<div>VACANT: One (1) seat vacant of the Sangguniang Bayan Members</div>		
<div>MUNICIPAL RESOLUTION NO. 528-280119</div>		
<div>A RESOLUTION APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. <u>433-280119</u> ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE</div>		
<div>DECLARING SMOKE- FREE ENVIRONMENTS AND DESIGNATING SMOKING AREAS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PALOMPON AND IMPOSING PENALTIES THEREOF”</div>		
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<div>WHEREFORE, on motion of COUNCILOR ESPERANZA L. SUMALINOG, duly seconded EN MASS . . . . .</div>		
<div>BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that this Sanggunian hereby approves Municipal Ordinance No. <u>433-280119</u>, to wit:</div>		
<div>MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 433-280119</div>		
<div>AN ORDINANCE DECLARING SMOKE- FREE ENVIRONMENTS</div>		



1. For DSA's in public areas/government owned properties, maintenance will be by the Local Government Unit.
2. Any DSA maintenance will be solely owned by the premises owner of a private ownership.
3. Management to ensure that the DSA does not cause disamenities or hazard to the public.
4. Premises owner to seek the necessary approval from the relevant authorities.
5. A cigarette butt canister /litter bin should be regularly cleaned by management.

**SECTION 8. PERSONS LIABLE.** — The following persons shall be liable under this Ordinance:

a. Any person who commits any of the prohibited acts stated in Section 5 hereof.

b. Persons-in-charge who knowingly allow, abet, or tolerate the prohibited acts enumerated in Section 5, or who otherwise fail to fulfill the duties and obligations enumerated in Section 6 hereof.

**SECTION 9. PENALTIES.**—The following penalties shall be imposed on violators of this Ordinance:

- a. Violation of Section 5 (a) and Section 6
- i. First Offense                      Php 500.00
- ii. Second Offense                  Php1,000.00
- iii. Third and Subsequent Offenses    Php2,500.00 and/ or imprisonment for a period not exceeding six (6) months at the discretion of the court
- b. Violation of Section 5 (b), (c), (d) and (e)
- i. First Offense                      Php 500.00
- ii. Second Offense                  Php2,000.00
- iii. Third and Subsequent            Php2,500.00 and/ or imprisonment for a period not exceeding six (6) months at the discretion of the court
- c. Violation of Section 5 (f), and (g)
- i. First Offense                      P1,500.00
- ii. Second Offense                  P 2,000.00
- iii. Third and Subsequent            P 2,500.00 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding six (6) months, or both at the discretion of the court
- d. Suspension of License. The license to operate of any establishment or of any public conveyance covered by this Ordinance shall be suspended for at least one (1) week but not more than one (1) month.
- e. Community Service. If a violator is unable to pay the fines imposed, he or she may choose to render community service to the Municipality. For every One Hundred [Php100.00] pesos of fine will be equivalent to one (1) hour of community service.

**SECTION 10. CITATION TICKET SYSTEM.** — Violators of this Ordinance shall be informed of their violation and the penalty associated with such violation by means of a Citation Ticket System with the following guidelines:

a. Official booklets of Citation Tickets shall be issued by the Health Office to duly authorized enforcers within ninety (90) calendar days of the effectivity of this Ordinance.

b. A Citation Ticket shall be issued to the person/s liable for any violation of this Ordinance upon finding of the violation by duly authorized enforcers.

- c. A Citation Ticket shall contain the following information:
- 1) a checklist of the violations under this Ordinance
  - 2) the fines associated with each violation
  - 3) due date for compliance with the obligations imposed by the ticket
- d. When a Citation Ticket is issued to a violator, the violator shall report to the Health Office within three (3) regular business days after such issuance, where he or she shall either pay the fine imposed or render community service under Section 8 (e) hereof.

- e. The Health Office shall keep a duplicate of all Citation Tickets issued to violators as well as all other records of violations of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 11. SMOKING CESSATION PROGRAM.** — The Health Officer, with the assistance of the Health Education and Promotion Officer and the CSO representative designated under Section 16 hereof, shall develop and promote a Smoking Cessation Program and encourage the participation therein of public and private facilities which may be able to provide for its requirements. Smokers who are willing to quit and/or those found violating this Ordinance may be referred to the Smoking Cessation program and its facilities.

ENFORCEMENT

**SECTION 12. SMOKE-FREE TASK FORCE.** — A Task Force shall be created to aid in the implementation, enforcement and monitoring of this Ordinance as well as to conduct educational awareness campaigns, information dissemination programs, and capacity building programs, that will inform the constituents and train enforcement officers.

- The Task Force shall be composed of the following:
- a. Municipal Health Officer
- b. SB Committee Chairman on Health
- c. SB Chairman of Committee on Education
- d. Legal Officer
- e. Municipal Engineering Officer
- f. Business Permits and Licensing Officer
- g. Representative of the civil society organization (CSO) designated by the Health Officer under Section 16 hereof
- h. Representative of the Philippine National Police (PNP)
- i. Municipal Civil Security Unit
- The task force shall not include as a member any person or entity connected in any way to the tobacco industry.

**SECTION 13. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TASK FORCE.**— Other than (1) receiving, reviewing and processing reports of and com-

plaints for violations of this Ordinance and (2) deputizing enforcers under Sections 13 to 16 hereof, the Task Force shall have the following respective duties and responsibilities:

- a. The Health Officer shall:
1. Issue official Citation Tickets to the enforcers.
  2. Assign a hotline or any other number to which violations of this Ordinance may be reported by telephone call or by SMS, and a person to operate the line and record reports.
  3. Serve as the overall coordinator among all the [LGU] offices involved in the implementation of this Ordinance.
  4. Act as agent of the Treasurer in collecting and receiving fines paid by violator.
  5. Make tobacco control, including the implementation and enforcement of this Ordinance, a part of the health program to be proposed for funding by the general budget of the [LGU]
- b. SB Chairman of the Committee on Health shall:
1. Assist the Health Officer in developing and promoting a smoking cessation program.
  2. Encourage constituents of the [LGU] to monitor and report violations of this Ordinance.
- c. SB Chairman of the Committee on Education shall:
1. Develop and produce information, education and communication materials on the harms of second-hand smoke as well as on the provisions of this Ordinance.
  2. Encourage constituents of the [LGU] to monitor and report violations of this Ordinance.
- d. The Legal Officer shall:
1. Assist the Health Office in reviewing reports of and complaints for violations of this Ordinance and in determining liability.
- e. The Municipal Engineer shall:
1. Conduct, together with the Municipal Health Office or on its own, inspection activities as provided in this Ordinance.
  2. Determine whether or not enclosed or partially enclosed public places, workplaces or other public places comply with the requirements of this Ordinance.
- f. The Business Permits and Licensing Officer shall:
1. Order the suspension or revocation of permits and licenses of establishments found to have violated this Ordinance, subject to the provisions of Section 8 hereof.
  2. Deny renewal of permits and licenses of violators of this Ordinance.
- g. The CSO Representative shall:
1. Assist in preliminary inspections and in monitoring violations of this Ordinance.
  2. Assist in promoting awareness of this Ordinance and in encouraging public support and participation in its implementation and enforcement.
  3. Assist in developing and promoting a smoking cessation program.
  4. Assist in developing and conducting orientation seminars and training seminars for enforcers.
  5. Assist in evaluating the performance of the Task Force and the effectiveness of the implementation and enforcement of this Ordinance.
- h. The PNP Representative shall:
1. Apprehend violators in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.
  2. Assist [LGU] officials and deputized civilians in apprehending violators and in filing the appropriate complaints.
- i. The Civil Security Unit shall:
1. Print the Citation Tickets and copies of this Ordinance for distribution to the public.
  2. Make a primer summarizing the provisions of this Ordinance.
  3. Publicize activities related to the implementation and enforcement of this Ordinance.
  4. Deputized to apprehend violators in accordance to the provisions of this Ordinance and file appropriate complaints.
  5. Monitor and make preliminary inspections on violations of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 14. ENFORCEMENT ON INDIVIDUALS.** — Members of the PNP shall apprehend and issue Citation Tickets against persons caught smoking in places where such is prohibited. They shall forward copies of the tickets they issued to the Health Office regularly, at least thrice a week.

**SECTION 15. ENFORCEMENT ON PUBLIC CONVEYANCES.** — Members of the PNP and/or persons duly deputized by the Task Force shall inspect public conveyances during their regular hours of operation and shall issue Citation Tickets upon discovery of any violation of this Ordinance. They shall forward copies of the tickets they issued to the Health Office regularly, at least thrice a week.

**SECTION 16. ENFORCEMENT ON ESTABLISHMENTS.** — Ninety (90) calendar days after the effectivity of this Ordinance, an inspection team composed of representatives from the Health Office, the Engineer's Office, and the Permits and License Office, shall conduct inspections of establishments and buildings to determine their compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

- Regular inspection shall thereafter be conducted at least once every month or simultaneously with other regular inspections done by the [LGU], whichever is more frequent, during normal hours of operation of the establishment.
- The inspection team shall issue a Citation Ticket against the establishment upon finding of non-compliance with or of any violation of this Ordinance. A Citation Ticket may be issued for each day that the establishment is found to be non-compliant.
- Re-inspection of the establishment shall be done on any day after the issuance of the Citation Ticket, but in no case more than ten (10) calendar days after such issuance. If the establishment fails to comply with the obligations stated in the Citation Ticket upon re-inspection, the inspection team shall recommend the suspension of the license to operate of the establishment, consistent with Section 8 (d) hereof.
- In the course of inspection, the inspection team may apprehend individual violators and request the assistance of the PNP in doing so.

**SECTION 17. CIVILIAN PARTICIPATION IN ENFORCEMENT.** — Within thirty (30) calendar days from the effectivity of this Ordinance, the Health Office shall designate, with the approval of the Office of the Local Chief Executive, a Civil Society Organization (CSO) to discharge the duties and responsibilities enumerated in Section 12 (g) hereof.

The Task Force may deputize qualified civilians to serve as enforcers of this Ordinance.

Any person can file with the Task Force a report of or complaint for any violation of this Ordinance.

INFORMATION CAMPAIGN

**SECTION 18. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION.** — Within sixty (60) calendar days of the effectivity of this Ordinance, the Health Office shall:

- a. In coordination with the Office of the Local Chief Executive:
- 1) Provide at least two (2) copies of this Ordinance to every PNP station or precinct in the LGU;
  - 2) Provide a primer on this Ordinance for every member of the PNP member in the LGU; and
  - 3) Conduct lectures and briefing to the members of the PNP regarding the provisions of this Ordinance and of their responsibilities with respect to its enforcement.
- 4) In coordination with the Permits and Licensing Office, give a copy of this Ordinance and its primer to all existing establishments that are licensed to operate and open to the public, as well as to those applying for a new license to operate.
- 5) In coordination with the Information Office, give a copy of this Ordinance and its primer to all public utility vehicle operators in the LGU.

**SECTION 19. PUBLIC BILLBOARDS, NOTICES IN BARANGAYS.** — Upon effectivity of this Ordinance, the Engineer's Office shall put up billboards in conspicuous places in the LGU to notify the public of the restrictions and sanctions imposed by the ordinance. The Information Office shall also immediately issue for dissemination at the barangay level notices regarding the obligations of persons under the ordinance.

**SECTION 20. CONDUCT OF ORIENTATION SEMINARS AND TRAININGS.** -- Within sixty (60) calendar days from the effectivity of this Ordinance and periodically thereafter, the Health Officer, with the assistance of the Health Education and Promotion Officer and the CSO representative designated under Section 16 hereof, shall develop and conduct a series of orientation seminars and trainings for the enforcers of this Ordinance, at least one for each group, including but not limited to, deputized enforcers like barangay health workers and the barangay tanod, and the local PNP.

FINANCING

- SECTION 21. FUNDING.** — An initial funding to defray the expenses necessary for or incidental to the implementation of this Ordinance shall be sourced from the LGU fund and is hereby allocated. Every year thereafter, at least funding for this purpose shall automatically be included in the Annual Budget of the LGU for the implementation and enforcement of this Ordinance, based on LGU plans and programs.
- The above expenses include, but are not limited to:
- a. Costs of printing copies of this Ordinance, the Citation Tickets, and information, education and communication materials pertaining to tobacco control.
  - b. Costs of inspection and enforcement by the Smokefree Task Force, including allowances for meals and transportation, the amounts of which shall be set by the Office of the Local Chief Executive.
  - c. Incentive or reward for private citizens who report violations of this Ordinance.
  - d. Institution and operating expenses of the smoking cessation program and facility.
  - e. Other expenses associated with the implementation and enforcement of this Ordinance

**SECTION 22. REPEALING CLAUSE.** — All ordinances contrary to or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

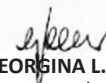


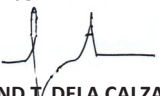

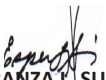


**SECTION 23. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** —If any part or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the other parts or provisions hereof.

**SECTION 24. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** — This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of local or general circulation or posting in at least two (2) conspicuous places of the Municipality.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-mentioned Municipal Resolution and Municipal Ordinance.

  
**ODETTE D. AREVALO-ALAPOOP**  
Board Secretary V

Attested and Approved:

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**HON. MYRA GEORGINA L. AREVALO, M.D.**  
Municipal Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer
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**HON. MARGARITO C. BENSIG, JR.**  
SB Member I
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**HON. REUBEN B. PATALINGHUG**  
SB Member I
-   
**HON. FERDINAND T. DELA CALZADA**  
SB Member I
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**HON. EDGAR P. PACALDO**  
SB Member I
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**HON. ESPERANZA L. SUMALINOG**  
SB Member I
-   
**HON. RENE A. CAMPOSANO**  
Ex-Officio Member/Liga President
-   
**HON. EVANA KIRSTIE H. MISAGAL**  
Ex-Officio Member/SK Fed. President

Approved:

  
**RAMON C. ONATE**  
Municipal Mayor

Date approved: 02/14/19





*TechIron Resources Inc legal officer Christopher Coles with Anthony Gil talks with Cambayas Mining Corporation lawyer in the presence of Homonhon village officials and police officers from the Philippine National Police Regional Office 8.*  
**(Roel Amazona)**

# Homonhon residents shock on the presence of policemen on their island

GUIUAN, Eastern Samar— Residents of Homonhon Island, this town, expressed their anxiety after 50 policemen descended to their island.

The policemen, who are members of the Regional Mobile Force Battalion, 8th Regional Public Safety Battalion and from the police municipal station of Guiuan, arrived at the island last Feb.8 purportedly to ensure peace will be maintained there after a dispute broke out between two mining companies.

The residents said that while they do not feel threatened with the presence of the police in their island, they still find it uncomfortable having them.

The team was in Homonhon Island to maintain the peace and order of the island after Cambayas Mining Corporation president Yan Ming went to the island to enforce a liquidation order against TechIron Resources Incorporated issued by a regional trial court in Taguig City.

Cambayas filed a claim in court alleging that TechIron is not compliant on a profit sharing agreement that they have entered.

TechIron maintained that based on their agreement, sharing will come from the net income of the operation.

In November 2018, the court issued a resolution in favor of Cambayas reason why its officials wanted it to be implement even in the absence of a court sheriff.

“We feel threatened. Most residents are afraid to leave their house. Some even say that we were like in Marawi,” Jonalyn Anos, village council member of Barangay Casuguran.

Anos relayed the sentiments of the island residents to the officials of mining companies who came to Homonhon Island accompanied by their respective lawyers.

During the meeting, Urbano E. Garado Jr., village chairman of Canawayun, asked the two erring mining companies to settle the problem in proper court.

“This problem is too big for us to handle. I suggest that you settle this in court,” Garado said.

After a long debate, the two sides agreed to have the policemen pulled out from the island to the relief of the islanders.

TechIron is one of the three mining firms which have mining claims in the historic island Homonhon.

The other two are Mt. Sinai Mining Exploration and Development Corp.; and Emir Minerals Corp.

Of the three, only TechIron continue to conduct mining activity in the island. **(ROEL T. AMAZONA)**

# Biliran town declares dengue fever outbreak

TACLOBAN CITY- A town in Biliran province has declared an outbreak of dengue fever due to its record number of children getting sick due to the mosquito-causing ailment.

On Wednesday (Feb.13), Mayor Rodolfo Espina, Sr. declared a dengue fever outbreak in the town as it has now about 81 cases as of Tuesday.

Out of the town’s 20 barangays, 10 have cases of dengue fever with the village of Mapuyo having the biggest number of cases with 42 followed by the village of Tucdao with 12, Dr. Christine Balasbas, municipal health officer, said in a phone interview.

She also said that a five-year old boy from Brgy. Tucdao died on Jan.24 due to dengue fever while being treated at the Eastern Visayas Regional Medical Center (EVRMC) in Tacloban City.

Balasbas also said that while they have 81 cases, many of them have already recovered from the ailment.

About 15 patients remain at their rural health unit as they are still being treated.

Balasbas said that with the declaration of an outbreak, they could now access funds from the local disaster funds to buy another unit of fogging machine and medicines and other needed supplies.

Balasbas said that as part of their precautionary measures, they have conducted fogging operations in the villages where there are dengue fever cases.

The municipal government has also asked the villagers to clean their surroundings, particularly their waterways and other stagnant waters to stop dengue fever-causing mosqui-

# Leyte’s development council approves P8.6 billion of annual investment plan for 2019

TACLOBAN CITY – The province of Leyte has more than P8.6 billion for its Annual Investment Plan (AIP) to fund programs and projects for 2019.

Leyte Governor and chairman of the Provincial Development Council Leopoldo Dominico Petilla told Leyte Samar Daily Express, in an interview, that this year’s annual investment plan is higher than last year.

In 2018, the AIP of the province was only P7.60 billion.

Petilla reported that part of the 2019 AIP is the approved executive annual budget for 2019 of the provincial government in the amount of P2,968,467,167.

The 2019 AIP funding requirements and percentage distribution of the various projects, programs and activities being implemented per sector include: the P4,927,720,583.70 for economic services which is 56 per cent of the AIP; the P1,985,557,685.21 for social services which is the 22 percent; the P1,740,941,400 for general public services comprising 20 percent; and the P25,400,000 for special education fund which represent only 0.29 percent, Petilla said.

The funding for the 2019 AIP is taken from the provincial general fund of P2 billion annual internal revenue allotment (IRA); funding from government agencies, projected foreign assistance, 20 percent of its annual IRA; Rehabilitation and Improvement Program (CMGP) of the Department of Interior and Local Government; the Special Education Fund (SEF) and other sources such as the Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces for Road and Bridge Repair; and other funding facilities of foreign development institutions and other development partners.

**(RESTITUTO A. CAYUBIT)**

# 4 wanted persons nabbed by Northern Samar police

CAMP CARLOS DELGADO, CATARMAN, Northern Samar – The intensified effort of the manhunt Charlie operatives from the different municipal police stations resulted to the arrest of five wanted persons in the province.

At around 7:30 am of February 3, both elements of Pambujan and Lavezares Municipal Police Stations scored on arresting wanted persons in their municipality.

In a manhunt operation led by Chief Inspector Moises Balanquit, officer-in-charge of the Pambujan Municipal Police Station, they were able to arrest Juning Bantilo at Sitio Macarinao, Barangay Malobago, of said town for the crime of grave threats.

Meanwhile, Lavezares Municipal Police Station led by PCI Florando Relente, OIC captured Fernando Cagsawa, 54, farmer, married and resident of Brgy. Enriqueta, Lavezares town.

Cagsawa was held captive by virtue of an alias warrant of arrest for the crime of murder with no bail recommended, issued by Judge Adolfo G. Fajardo, RTC Branch 55, Irosin Sorsogon issued on January 21, 2015.

On the following day, February 4, 2019, Ariel Tuballas, 31, single, farmer and a resident of Brgy Abaton, Laoang, charged with slight physical injuries was arrested at around 9:25 pm by elements of Laoang Municipal Police Station led by Chief Inspector Manuel O. Castillo, OIC was arrested at Brgy. Little Venice of said municipality with the crime docketed under criminal case no. 17-10 issued by Ruberna Quibal, acting presiding judge of the MTC Laoang with recommended bail bond fixed at P2,000 for his temporary liberty.

On February 6, 2019 at 3 pm, Lope de Vega Municipal Police Station personnel led by Senior Inspector Ronnie Abendan, OIC, conducted same operation at Brgy. Cag-aguinay of said town which resulted to the arrest of Julio Santiago,41, with live-in partner, who was arrested by virtue of warrant of arrest for frustrated murder issued by Judge Alma Consuelo BD Esidera, presiding judge of the RTC-Branch 20 based in Catarman with recommended bail bond of P 200,000.

Further, at about 8:20 am of February 6, Nestor Surio,55, married, farmer and a resident of Brgy. Igot, Pambujan, charged for robbery with intimidation against person was arrested in his residence.

Said suspects undergone proper documentation at the aforesaid municipal police stations prior turn-over to the court of origin.

“We will always work selflessly in order to maintain peace and order in the province of Northern Samar. Wanted persons and criminals must have their appropriate place”, S/Supt. Reynaldo de la Cru, police provincial director, said. **(PO3 JENNY C. APO-LONIO/PR)**

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AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that EPAPRODITO PETILLA heir of late Lucila Petilla executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication over 3 parcels of land described as: **1)** Parcel of land, Cad. Lot No. 8423 situated in Brgy. Castilla, Palo, Leyte, covered by Tax Dec. No. 9930020-00436, with an area of 6,862 square meters; **2)** Parcel of land, Cad. Lot No. 7598, situated in Brgy. Teraza, Palo, Leyte, covered by Tax Dec. No. 99-30-035-00222, with an area of 3,785 square meters; **3)** Parcel of land, Cad. Lot No. 8462, situated in Brgy. Castilla, Palo, Leyte, covered by Tax Dec. No. 9930020-000437, with an area of 8,866 square meters. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Gregorio L. Dolina Sr. as vendee for the above-described 3 parcels of land; per Doc. No. 160, Page No. 33, Book No. XVII, Series of 2016 of Notary Public Atty. Sylwyn Nabor V. Mendoza.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION BY SOLE HEIR

NOTICE is hereby given that Anthony Sevellano Talaña the surviving spouse of Portia Kay Bantilan Talaña who died intestate on October 6, 2018 at Divine Word Hospital, Avenida Veteranos, Tacloban City executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudicaiton over two conjugal real properties to wit: **A)** A certain parcel of land covered by TCT No. TE-3617 and Deed of Absolute Sale dated 11 May 2015 notarized before Atty. Edson G. Piczon, as Doc. No. 316, Page No. 64, Book No. 1, Series of 2015 and more particularly described as follows: A parcel of land, Lot 22, Bsd-08-000195 (OLT), being a portion of Psu-63588, situated at Barangay Bato, Municipality of Biliran, containing an area of 7,401 square meters; **B)** A certain of land covered by TCT No. T-69390 and Deed of Absolute Sale dated 30 March 2016 notarized before Atty. Jose Joannes S. Bagulaya, as Doc. No. 140, Page No. 28, Book No. 1, Series of 2016, and more particularly described as follows: A parcel of land designated as Lot 1, Block 29 of the consolidation-subdivision of Pcs-08-000527-D, being a portion of Lots 4997, Cad-220, situated in the Barangay of Abucaya, City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, containing an area of 55 square meters, more or less; per Doc. No. 9, Page No. 3, Book No. 1, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Iris Carpina-Maglasang.  
*LSDE: February 9, 16 & 23, 2019*

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Cirila Jamili extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, together with all the improvements found thereon, situated at Brgy. Castilla, Palo, Leyte, Cad. Lot No. 6131, with an area of 5,366 square meters with Tax Dec. No. 08-30-0020-00586 and PIN No. 044-30-0020-012-17; A Deed of Sale was executed a portion of 4,682 square meters from the above-described property in favor of Milagros A. Hermosilla as vendee; per Doc. No. 186, Page No. 38, Book No. XXXI, Series of 2015 of Atty. Ronnan Reposar.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Sps. Gregorio B. Gabest and Elena Garcia-Gabest extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land Lot No. 337, Cad Lot 1082-D, Case 1, located at Brgy. 4, Poblacion 4, Paranas, Samar, covered and embraced by O.C.T.-Residential Freet Patent No. 08-6022-1150, containing an area of 101 square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of MARRES G. BACO as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 401, Page No. 082, Book No. 332, Series of 2017 of Notary Public Atty. Medino Acuba.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Paquito B. Pelipel Sr. extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over two bank accounts described as: **1)** Metrobank - Tacloban, Zamora St., Tacloban City, Account No.: 122-3-12236276-1, Current Balance of P904,000.70; **2)** Metrobank - Tacloban, Zamora St., Tacloban City, Account No. 122-112204064-8, current balance of P1,958,329.68; per Doc. No. 102, Page No. 22, Book No. III, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Jerome Cordero Avila.  
*LSDE: Feb. 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF EPIFANIA SILLEZA-SANZ

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the first and second marriage of the late Epifania Silleza-Sanz (inherited this parcel of this land from her parents) extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land Plan Psu-223030, LR Case N-200, LRC No. N-44393, with all the improvements thereon, situated in Brgy. Loyonsawang, Abuyog, Leyte, covered by O.C.T. No. N-2256, containing an area of 1,524 square meters; per Doc. No. 335, Page No. 67, Book No. 26, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Joseph N. Escalona; DÖc. No. 23375, Page No. 76, Book No. 707, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Cesar P. Santos and Doc. No. 02, Page No. 551, Book No. VI, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Cliff Richard E. Genesela.  
*LSDE: Feb. 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Aniano Guarde extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land situated at Brgy. Trinidad, Calbayog City, containing an area of 649 square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Joselito C. Lumod as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 56, Page No. 12, Book No. XXIX, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Alex R. Gelera.  
*LSDE: February 9, 16 & 23, 2019*

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL DECLARATION OF HEIRS WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Baltazar Sarmiento extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcels of land described as: **1)** Parcel of land, Lot No. 2889, situated in Brgy. Matobato, Calbayog City, Samar, containing an area of 3,271 square meters, more or less, under Tax Dec. No. 99-0101-00036; **2)** Lot No. 163-B situated in Brgy. Cagbayong, Oquendo District, Calbayog City, Samar, containing an area of 34,423.50 square meters, more or less under Tax Dec. No. 99-02031-00411; **3)** Lot No. 670, situated in Brgy. Caybago, Oquendo District, Calbayog City, Samar, containing anea re of 70,174 square meters, more or less under Tax Dec. No. 99-02033-00087; **4)** Lot 4910, situated in San Policarpo, Calbayog City, Samar, containing an area of 831 square meters, more or less under Tax Dec. No. 99-01017-00270; **5)** Residential Bldg. situated in Brgy. Matobato, Calbayog City, Samar, containing an area of 40 square meters, under Tax Dec. No. 99-01016-00600. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Christopher Nicholas Chan married to Maria Jessica Concepcion P. Chan as vendor for Parcel No. 1, Lot No. 2889; per Doc. No. 417, Page No. 85, Book No. XL, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Aileen Reyes Maglana and Doc. No. 305, Page No. 61, Book No. 105, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Jose L. Mario, Jr.  
*LSDE: February 9, 16 & 23, 2019*

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Local Civil Registry Office  
Province: **Leyte**  
City/Municipality: Carigara

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In Compliance with Section 5 of R.A. Act No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **RIZA SORIMA** has filed with this Office a petition for correction of entry in SEX/GENDER from **MALE** to **“FEMALE**, in the birth certificate of **RIZA PASCUAL SORIMA** at **Guindapunan, Carigara, Leyte** and whose parents are **Rodolfo Sorima** and **Belen Pascual**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than February 21, 2019.

(Sgd.) **MA LILIBETH D. ESCOBEJA**  
City/Municipal Civil Registrar

*LSDE: Feb. 9 & 16, 2019*

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that Vicente Pastor Gandionco, Jr. heir of the late Oliva Pastor Gandionco executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication over a parcel of land, bearing Tax Dec. No. 006006-R-11, situated at Brgy. Lucsoon, Naval, Biliran, under Survey No. 3943, OCT No. P04364, with an area of 435 square meters, assessed at P9,190.00. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of ROGELIO E. CASAS, JR. as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 50, Page No. 10, Book No. XI, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Mario Lydinno Opeña.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE DECEASED MARIA GLEMA

NOTICE is hereby given that Federico P. Vallar, Jr. one of the only legitimate of the late Estela Perez Vallar and sole heir of the late Maria Glema extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of residential and riceland situated at Balud, Capooacan, Leyte, under Tax Dec. No. 279 with an area of 9,615 square meters of the residential land and 2,403 square meters of the riceland, under Cadastral Lot No. 67 P-6590; per Doc. N o. 835, Page No. 69, Book No. 9, Series of 1996 of Notary Public Atty. Lorenzo B. Caballero.  
*LSDE: February 9, 16 & 23, 2019*

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that Miguel T. Fernandez, heir of the late Sps. Ireneo C. Fernandez and Lucia T. Fernandez executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication over 13 parcels of land, described as: **1)** Lot No. 2242-E-3, Psd-08-018882-D, covered by TCT No. TP-17109, containing an area of 400 square meters, situated in Brgy. Abuyogay, Javier, Leyte; **2)** Lot No. 3616, situated at Abuyog, Leyte, containing an area of 2,301 square meters, TCT No. T-7312; **3)** Lot 687-C, Psd-260420, situated in the Bo. of Malitbogay, Mp. of Abuyog, Province of Leyte, Island of Leyte, containing an area of 4,648 square meters, TCT No. T-5927; **4)** Lot 687-E of the sub. plan (LRC) Psd-260420, situated in the Barrio of Malitbogay, Mp. of Abuyog, Province of Leyte, containing an area of 48,904 square meters, TCT No. T-5929; **5)** Lot 2242-E-5 of the subdivision plan, Psd-08-018882-D, situated in the Barangay Abuyogay, Municipality of Javier, Province of Leyte, Island of Leyte, containing an area of 361 square meters, TCT No. TP-17111; **6)** Lot 2242-B-1, Psd-08-020752-D, situated in Barangay Abuyogay, Municipality of Javier, Province of Leyte, Island of Leyte, containing an area of 503 square meters, TCT No. TP-18899; **7)** Lot 2242-B-9, Psd-08-020752-D, situated in Barangay Abuyogay, Municipality of Javier, Province of Leyte, contaning an area of 13,613, TCT No. TP-18907; **8)** Lot 2242-B-8 Psd-08-020752-D, situated in Barangay Abuyogay, Municipality of Javier, Province of Leyte, containing an area of 157 square meters, TCT No. TP-18906; **9)** Lot 2242-B-7 Psd-08-020752-D, situated in Brgy. Abuyogay, Municipality of Javier, Province of Leyte, containing an area of 401 square meters, TCT No. TP-18905; **10)** Lot 2242-B-3 of the subdivision plan Psd-08-020752-D, situated in Barangay Abuyogay, Municipality of Javier, Province of Leyte, containing an area of 313 square meters, TCT No. TP-18901; **11)** Lot 2242-B-2, Psd-08-020752-D, situated in Barangay Abuyogay, Municipality of Javier, Province of Leyte containing an area of 198 square meters, TCT No. TP-18900; **12)** Lot 2242-E-7 Psd-08-018882-D, situated in Barnagay Abuyogay, Municipality of Javier, Province of Leyte, containing an area of 1,622 square meters, TCT No. TP-17113; **13)** Lot 2242-E-1 Psd-08-018882-D, situated in Barangay Abuyogay, Municipality of Javier, Province of Leyte, containing an area of 271 square meters, TCT No. TP-17107; per Doc. No. 104, Page No. 22, Book No. XLV, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Joy Estolano-Cerro, CPA.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Tarcela Nieves extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 4 parcels of land, all situated at Brgy. Balucanad, Capooacan, Leyte described as: **1)** Parcel of land, designated as Lot No. 212, with OCT No. P-7734, with lot area of 1,773 square meters; **2)** Lot No. 228 with O.C.T. No. P-7025, lot area of 2,673 square meters; **3)** Lot No. 210 with O.C.T. No. P-7031, with lot area of 677 square meters; **4)** Lot No. 231 with O.C.T. No. P-7475, with lot area of 511 square meters; per Doc. No. 212, Page No. 52, Book No. 25, Series of 2017 of Notary Public Atty. Edgar J. Tonolete.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Fausta Malazarte extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, situated at Matag-ob, Leyte, containing a area of 19,4320 square meters, more or less, covered under T.C.T. No. P-14466. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of APOLINARIO B. GARCIANO as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 148, Page No. 28, Book No. XXXI, Series of 1999 of Notary Public Atty. Ari G. Larrazabal.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that Rosalia P. Bibar, heir of late Florencio Lumbre and Con-sorcia Lumbre executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication over a parcel of residential land, located at Quezon, Tabon-tabon, Leyte, designated as Cad. Lot No. 044-P-A, containing an area of 139 square meters, more or less and covered by Tax Dec. No. 02-37003-00243; per Doc. No. 389, Page No. 78, Book No. II, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Samuel C. Lagunzad.  
*LSDE: January 26 & Feb. 2 & 9, 2019*

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that Zosimo Sagala heir of the late Trinidad Magan Sagala executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication over a parcel of coconut land located at Brgy. Danao I, Calbayog City, under ARP No. 99-03-007-781, having an area of 0-86-46.33 hectare. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of RICARDO PANDONG as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 1758, Page No. 6, Book No. VI, Series of 2001 of Notary Public Atty. Melinda Martinez.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER AND QUITCLAIM

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Benjamin S. Alar, Jr. extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over parcel of Lot No. 2671, covered by TCT No. T-814, located at Brgy. Campesao, Borongan, Eastern Samar, containing an area of 11,627 square meters, more or less and heirs hereby waive and transfer and assigned the aforesaid real property in favor of their mother, MARILYN S. ALAR; per Doc. No. 322, Page No. 66, Book No. XX, Series of 2016 of Notary Public Atty. Daniel J. Alviar.  
*LSDE: February 9, 16 & 23, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Leon Balotabot extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of residential land and house constructed thereon situated at Brgy. 2, Poblacion San Julian, Eastern Samar, covered by OCT No. 2018000063, Lot No. 355, containing an area of 212 square metes, and heirs hereby waive their rights, interest and participation over the above-described property in favor of co-heir ROLANDO BALOTABOT; per Doc. No. 248, Page No. 050, Book No. 003, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Jesus C. Apelado, Jr.  
*LSDE: February 9, 16 & 23, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER AND QUITCLAIM

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Leon Balotabot extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, situated at Brgy. Balucanad, Capooacan, Leyte, described as: **1)** Parcel of land, designated as Lot No. 212, with OCT No. P-7734, with lot area of 1,773 square meters; **2)** Lot No. 228 with O.C.T. No. P-7025, lot area of 2,673 square meters; **3)** Lot No. 210 with O.C.T. No. P-7031, with lot area of 677 square meters; **4)** Lot No. 231 with O.C.T. No. P-7475, with lot area of 511 square meters; per Doc. No. 212, Page No. 52, Book No. 25, Series of 2017 of Notary Public Atty. Edgar J. Tonolete.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER AND QUITCLAIM

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Paquito B. Pelipel Sr. extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over two bank accounts described as: **1)** Metrobank - Tacloban, Zamora St., Tacloban City, Account No.: 122-3-12236276-1, Current Balance of P904,000.70; **2)** Metrobank - Tacloban, Zamora St., Tacloban City, Account No. 122-112204064-8, current balance of P1,958,329.68; per Doc. No. 102, Page No. 22, Book No. III, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Jerome Cordero Avila.  
*LSDE: Feb. 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

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*LSDE: Feb. 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Rachel G. Ramos extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a DEATH CLAIM with Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) as government employee with estimated amount of P113,000.00, more or less and hereby assign all their shares on the subject Death Claim with the GSIS in favor of JULIANA G. RAMOS as assignee; per Doc. No. 450, Page No. 90, Book No. 01, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Samuel Lagunzad.  
*LSDE: Feb. 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Fausta Malazarte extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, situated at Matag-ob, Leyte, containing a area of 19,4320 square meters, more or less, covered under T.C.T. No. P-14466. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of APOLINARIO B. GARCIANO as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 148, Page No. 28, Book No. XXXI, Series of 1999 of Notary Public Atty. Ari G. Larrazabal.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER AND QUITCLAIM

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Sps. Agapito Mendoza and Emperatriz Mendoza extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 2 parcels of land, both situated in Brgy. Olot, Tolosa, Leyte, described as; **1)** Agricultural land, Cad. Lot No. 379, covered by Tax Dec. No. 00100, containing an area of 1.1867.96 hectares, more or less; **2)** Agricultural land, Cad. Lot No. 1217, covered by Tax Dec. No. 00121, containing an area of 0.4208 hectares, more or less and heirs do hereby WAIVE, RENOUNCE and QUITCLAIM all their shares, interest and participation over the 2 parcels of land described above in favor of their brother/co-heir ROLANDO S. MENDOZA, JR.; per Doc. No. 497, Page No. 100, Book No. I, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Isagani S. Espada.  
*LSDE: January 26 & Feb. 2 & 9, 2019*

AFFIDAVIT OF CLAIM WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Gonzalo P. Petilos namely: Fedelina C. Petilos, Ronald Petilos and Regina P. Souza executed an affidavit of claim with waiver of rights, over Savings Account with the Philippine Veterans Bank - Tacloban City, Leyte Branch, under Savings Account No. 02502-006569-0 / 0024-337754-100, with a balance of P538,574.21 and request the Philippine Veterans Bank - Tacloban Leyte Branch, to release the balance of the said deposit account in favor of their mother FEDELINA C. PETILOLO and/or transfer the balance of said deposit in her name, having waived their rights in her favor; per Doc. No. 883, Page No. 032, Book No. XLIV, Series of 2018 of Consul Roberto T. Bernardo of Philippine Consulate General, City and County of Honolulu State of Hawaii, USA.  
*LSDE: Feb. 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Eduardo S. Iran extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a Motorcab for Hire (MCH) described as: Make: Yamaha; Type of Body: MC (MCH) Plate No.: HY5678; Engine No.: 2JC1001804; Chassis No.: 2JC1001640; MV File No.: 0802-36948; CR No.: I70769454; Police No.: MCH-2018-0533 and heirs do hereby WAIVE, QUITCLAIM, TRANSFER and FOREVER CONVEY rights and ownership over the above-described Motorcab for Hire (MCH) in favor of co-heir ELMER F. IRAN; per Doc. No. 95, Page No. 20, Book No. III, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Jerome Cordero Avila.  
*LSDE: January 26 & Feb. 2 & 9, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH DEED OF ASSIGNMENT

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*LSDE: Feb. 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITIONED WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the deceased LEON R. PISCOS who died on June 19, 2007 at San Isidro, Leyte extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural land, Cadastral Lot No. 7, situated in Brgy. Hacienda Maria, San Isidro, Leyte under Tax Dec. No. 08-33-0012-0047, containing an area of 7,158 square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Liezle Lajoila Trojo for the above-described parcel of land; per Doc. No. 110, Page No. 22, Book No. LII, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Octavius L. Latic.  
*LSDE: February 9, 16 & 23, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Salvacion Mana Mabansag extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural land, located at Old Mahayag, Catbalogan City, covered by TCT No. EP-799 with Emancipation Patent No. A-177035, Lot No. 66, Bsd-08-000118 (OLT) containing an area of 3,835 square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Fidel L. Papuran married to Carina Conde-De Guzman as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 121, Page No. 76, Book No. 96, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Edilberto G. Morales.  
*LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that Carmelita C. Yu and Samuel B. Yu represented by Josefina Yu Ong executed a Deed of Absolute Sale over a parcel of land designated as Lot 4, Pcs-08-000175, situated at Block 13, Lot 4, V&G Subdivision, Brgy. Calanipawan, City of Tacloban, Leyte covered by T.C.T. No. 122-2018000805 and Tax Dec. No. 2012-01-0006-09044 (Land) and Tax Dec. No. 2012-01-0006-09045 (Building) containing an area of 161 square meters together with existing housing unit and all the improvements that maybe found thereon in favor of MA. BELLA MILITANTE CRUZ as vendee for the above-described property (house and lot); per Doc. No. 81, Page No. 18, Book No. XI, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Bella Mercedes G. Mendiola.  
*LSDE: Feb. 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Sps. Simforosa D. Bangcore and Hono-rata Impuesto Bangcore extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot 2880, Case 3, Pls-645, situated at Brgy. Manilisisid, Municipality of Javier, Province of Leyte, covered by O.C.T. No. P-23508 / Tax Dec. No. 08-19-0019-00033, containing an area of 22,857 square meters. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of SPS. ROMEO C. MALINAO and PRIMA B. MALINAO as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 78, Page No. 17, Book No. XLIII, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Joy Estolano-Cerro, CPA and Doc. No. 130, Page No. 27, Book No. XLIII, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Joy Estolano-Cerro, CPA.  
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# DOT: Kalanggaman Island earns over P22 million from tourist receipts in 2018



Regional Director Karen Tiopes

TACLOBAN CITY - The Kalanggaman Island located in the town of Palompon and is considered as the Leyte’s top tourist destination, has earned more than P22 million last year, a report from the Department of Tourism regional office 8 (DOT-8) based here.

Karen Tiopes, DOT-8 regional director, told

Leyte Samar Daily Express in an interview that based on the report from the municipal government of Palompon, the total revenue of Kalanggaman Island has exceeded its target of P21 million as the total income reached P22.189 million generated from tourist receipts last year.

Tiopes reported that the total number of tourist

who visited the island last year reached 113,556 composed of 104,203 domestic tourists while the 9,353 were foreign tourists.

Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla, in another interview, said that the Kalanggaman Island, which is maintained and operated by the local government unit of Palompon, has been attracting droves of local and foreign tourists, an indication that it has fully recovered from the devastation due to super typhoon ‘Yolanda.’

The six-hectare Kalanggaman Island is just about an hour boat ride from Palompon town proper and is considered as one of the most beautiful islands in the Philippines.

The island features powdery white sand beach surrounded by clear blue water with a long stretch of sandbar with its fine white sand attracts tourists. **(RESTITUTO A. CAYUBIT)**

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Sta. Margarita, and Gandara, received certificates of competency and national certificate from TESDA.

Gema Reyes, 50, from Gandara, who graduated from bread and pastry said, “I am thankful for this opportunity. I will use what I learned to put up a small business in bread-making.”

“I will now have an additional source of income. This is very helpful to me and my family,” Reyes added.

On the same day of the graduation, TESDA also conducted food fair and skills competition to showcase the skills learned by the

graduates.

For the food fair bread and pastry category competition, Catbalogan City placed first place, while Gandara, Calbayog and Sta. Margarita garnered the second, third and consolation places, respectively.

On the other hand, Gandara won in the competition for the bread and pastry cookery category, while Catbalogan, Calbayog and Sta. Margarita got the second, third and consolation prizes, respectively.

For the skills competition for bread and pastry, Artemio Amita of Gandara garnered the first place while Jean Celmar, from Catbalogan City and Roselle Andaya who is from

Calbayog City got the second and third spots.

For the cookery category, first place went to Jolena Alcober of Catbalogan City and Glenn Guantic of Gandara and Marlyn Gentallian of Calbayog City placed second and third.

The 3-in-1 event: Food Fair, Skills Competition and Mass Graduation was initiated by the TESDA and participated in by collaborating agencies and organizations such as Department of Trade and Industry, Department of Labor and Employment, Center for Community Transformation and the Balicuatro College of Arts and Trade. **(NBQ/GMTa-bao/PIA Samar)**

## DILG-8, PCL recognize outstanding sanggunians at regional awards ceremony

TACLOBAN CITY- “The sanggunian is the brain of the local government and the sanggunians who are present today are doing a great job at providing the brains of the local government; that is, being the source of ideas and innovations translated into policies and programs.”

who opposes the measure, the bill now uses the term ‘age of social responsibility’ instead of criminal liability.

Rep. Romualdez, who is seeking for a congressional seat under the party-list Tingog, said that any issues that appears to be controversial relative to the lowering of the criminal age of minors, could still be solved.

“There is still a long process (involving it),” she said. **(JOEY A. GABIETA)**

This was the pronouncement of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Undersecretary Marivel C. Sacendoncillo, as she recognized the accomplishments of the best performing Local Government Units (LGUs) in Eastern Visayas during the Regional Awards Ceremony of the 2018 Local Legislative Award at Robinsons Summit Hotel, Tacloban City on February 7, 2019.

“The LGUs should not only look at the needs of the people but also search for opportunities that they can maximize to pursue development in their respective communities,” Sacendoncillo added.

She told the sanggunian members to be serious in the jobs that they

entered into because the people will not remember them by just being honorable but by the things that they were able to do to contribute to the betterment of their communities.

In the categories of Highly Urbanized Cities and Independent Component Cities, the Cities of Tacloban and Ormoc emerged as the regional winners, respectively. Both cities were lone entries in their respective categories.

Baybay City made it as the regional champion in the Component Cities Category followed by the Cities of Catbalogan and Borongan which were both regional finalists.

In the 1st-3rd Class Municipalities Category, Basey, Samar notched the top spot while Sogod, Southern Leyte and Naval, Biliran were recognized as runners-up.

Furthermore, Balangiga, Eastern Samar took the lead in the 4th-6th Class Municipalities Category. Following the winner were the municipalities of San Isidro, Leyte; San Juan, Southern Leyte; Cabucgayan, Biliran; and Motiong, Samar (regional finalists).

The LGUs were assessed by the Regional Award Committee (RAC) which is headed by the DILG Regional Director with the Philippine Councilors League (PCL) Regional Council Chairman

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prove that they are still minors and the police could not arrest them because they are still minors,” Romualdez said.

The lowering of age on the criminal liability of children is being vigorously opposed by various sectors saying it will go contrary to the policies in protecting children.

Under the proposed measure, children of age 12 could be criminally liable if they are involve in crimes like kidnapping, murder, infanticide and serious illegal detention. And to soften those

Republic of the Philippines Department of Transportation MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY MARINA REGIONAL OFFICE NO. VIII G/F Uytinkoc Building Senator Enage St., Tacloban City			Sugod 4:35 PM ARRIVAL			Trinidad 2:25 PM San Vicente 2:45 PM Luna 3:05 PM Nipa 3:25 PM Balocawe 3:45 PM Pantalan 4:05 PM Manlangit 4:45 PM Pulangbato 5:05 PM San Jose (Transfer only)					
RE: Application for issuance of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) pursuant to the Revised Rules and Regulations Implementing R.A. No. 9295 or the IRR of 2014			Destination Sugod 4:45 AM Trinidad 5:05 AM San Vicente 5:25 AM Luna 5:45 AM Nipa 6:05 AM Balocawe 6:25 AM Pantalan 6:45 AM Manlangit 7:05 AM Pulangbato 7:25 AM Calbayog 9:35 AM Pulangbato 1:45 PM Manlangit 2:05 PM Pantalan 2:25 PM Balocawe 2:45 PM Nipa 3:05 PM Luna 3:25 PM San Vicente 3:45 PM Trinidad 4:05 PM Sugod 4:25 PM San Jose 4:50 PM Route 2			Day Thursday, Fri. Sun.			SCHEDULE OF RATES PER LINK LINK(S) PASSAGE RATE Balocawe/Luna/Manlangit/ Nipa/Pantalan/Pulangbato/ Trinidad/San Vicente/ P150.00 Sugod/San Jose-Calbayog City Balocawe/San Vicente/ P100.00 Luna/Manlangit/Nipa/ Pantalan/Pulangbato/Trinidad/ San Vicente/Sugod/San Jose- Cataingan		
CASE NO. TMRO 19-006											
ROMEO M. OMPAD, Applicant x-----x											
ORDER											
Before us is the above-entitled case which was filed with this office on 11 February 2019 to wit:											
NAME OF SHIP			SERVICE TO BE OFFERED								
MBca "MIAR ROMCIS"			For the carriage of Passengers and Cargoes								
ROUTE TO BE SERVED			Origin			DEPARTURE			CARGO RATE		
Route 1 San Jose-Sugod-Trinidad-San Vicente-Luna-Nipa-Balocawe-Pantalan-Manlangit-Pulangbato (all of Tagapul-an, Samar)-Calbayog City and vice versa; and			San Jose Manlangit Pulangbato Pantalan Balocawe Nipa Luna San Vicente Trinidad Sugod San Jose Route 2			(Transfer only) 6:00 AM 6:20 AM 6:40 AM 7:00 AM 7:20 AM 7:40 AM 8:00 AM 8:20 AM 8:40 AM 9:00 AM 11:45 AM 1:55 PM 2:15 PM 2:35 PM 2:55 PM 3:15 PM 3:35 PM 3:55 PM 4:15 PM 4:55 PM (Transfer only)			Item Rate/Unit Rice/Cement/Sugar/Flour P50.00/sack Various Items 20.00/big box Plywood/Galvanized Iron 20.00/piece Softdrinks 20.00/case Steel Bar 10.00/piece Wood 15.00/piece Mango 50.00/sack		
Route 2 San Jose-Pulangbato-Pantalan-Balocawe-Nipa-Luna-San Vicente-Trinidad-Sugod-San Jose (all of Tagapul-an, Samar)-Cataingan, Masbate; Cataingan-Masbate- San Jose-Sugod-Trinidad-San Vicente-Luna-Nipa-Balocawe-Pantalan-Manlangit-Pulangbato-San Jose			San Jose Manlangit Pulangbato Pantalan Balocawe Nipa Luna San Vicente Trinidad Sugod San Jose Cataingan San Jose Sugod Trinidad San Vicente Luna Nipa Balocawe Pantalan Manlangit Pulangbato			Monday, Tuesday, Wed., & Saturday			Notice is hereby given that Applicant shall present the jurisdictional, qualification, and documentary requirements in a hearing to be conducted on 22 February 2019, Friday, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at this Office, G/F Uytinkoc Bldg., Senator Enage Street, Tacloban City.		
SCHEDULE OF TRIPS									The applicant shall publish this Order once in any newspaper of general or regional circulation in the Philippines at least five (5) days before the hearing.		
DEPARTURE									The applicant shall submit a written Formal Offer of Evidence (FOE) during the hearing or five (5) days thereafter.		
Origin Time Day									WITNESS, the Honorable Administrator, this 13th day of February 2019 at Tacloban City, Philippines.		
Route 1									(Sgd.) ENGR. RODULFO P. PANER OIC-Regional Director		
San Jose 4:30 AM Thursday,									COPY FURNISHED:		
Sugod 4:55 AM Friday,									Applicant, Romeo M. Ompad, Mataluto, Tagapul-an, Samar		
Trinidad 5:15 AM Sun.									Office of the Solicitor General, 134 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Vill., Makati, MM		
San Vicente 5:35 AM									File		
Luna 5:55 AM									ZCM/MMC		
Nipa 6:15 AM									SFSU Issuance No. NOH-2019		
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Tacloban City  
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF OF LEYTE  
HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG) (HMDF)  
Mortgagee/s, -versus-  
PRUDENCIO L. VARELA MARRIED TO RAZMA F. VARELA, Mortgagor/s, EJF No. 4175  
For: EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE/ PERSONAL PROPERTY MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135

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**NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE**

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended, executed by PRUDENCIO L. VARELA married to RAZMA F. VARELA with postal address at Lot 1, Block 23, Kassel-Kristina, Naga-naga, Tacloban City in favor of

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Aurelio Leyson extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of urban land situated at Brgy. Bagongbayan, Bato, Leyte, under Tax Dec. No. 06000100175 with Cad. Lot No. 753, containing an area of 84 square meters; per Doc. No. 402, Page No. 80, Book No. 49, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Rico E. Aureo. *LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER OF RIGHT AND SALE OF PORTION**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Sps. Mariano L. Bormate and Rosario G. Bormate extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land situated at Brgy. 01, Llorente, Eastern Samar, containing an area of 6,029 square meters, more or less, covered by Katibayan ng Original na Titulo Blg. P-12573 and heirs hereby waive, renounce and Quitclaim rights, interest and participation in favor of co-heir NIDA BORMATE-CAMORA, a waivee for a portion of 635 square meters identified as Lot 89-B and a Deed of Sale was executed by Nida Bormate-Camora in favor of Sps. Nestor Boco and Rosita Boco as vendee for a portion of 635 square meters from the above-described property; per Doc. No. 344, Page No. 70, Book No. 1, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Richell A. Fuentes. *LSDE: February 9, 16 & 23, 2019*

**DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that Neil Andrew G. Redoña heir of the late Milagros R. Saavedra executed a Deed of Adjudication over a certain parcel of residential land now designated as Lot 1, covered by Lot 1912, Cad 505, containing an area of 160 square meters and the mother lot designated as Cad Lot No. 1912, located at Brgy. Maribi, Tanauan, Leyte, covered by Tax Dec. No. 00366-R11, containing a whole area of 5.8862 hectares, mroe or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of PAZ D. SEVERINO as vendee for a certain parcel of land designated as Lot No. 1, with an area of 160 square meters; per Doc. No. 002, Page No. 01, Book No. 1, Series of 2018of Notary Public Atty. Asterio A. Villero. *LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

Publication Notice  
RA 9048

Republic of the Philippines  
City Civil Registry Office  
Province of Eastern Samar  
City of Borongan

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 7 of R.A. 9048, a notice is hereby serve to the public that **EDUARDO B. DURANGO**, has filed with this Office a **Petition for Change of Child’s first name** from **RENATO** to **EDUARDO** in the Birth Certificate of **RENATO BARES DORANGO**, who was on **September 1, 1962** at **Borongan, Eastern Samar** and whose parents are **LORENZA APURA BARIS** and **JULIO BULA DURANGO**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file written opposition with this office not later than **25 Feb. 2019**.

(Sgd.) **MA. LUISA M. AZUL III**  
City Civil Registrar

LSDE: Feb. 16 & 23, 2019

NW, ALONG LINE 1-2-3 BY ROAD LOT 12 (6.50 M WIDE); ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 3-4 BY ROAD LOT 13 (6.50 M WIDE); ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 4-5 BY LOT 3, BLOCK 23; AND ON THE SW, ALONG LINE 5-1 BY LOT 2 BLK. 23 ALL OF THIS SUBDIVISION. CONTAINING AN AREA OF FORTY ONE (41) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS...  
“Including the house/building(s) and other improvements now erected or hereafter maybe erected upon.”  
PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS AND BUYERS MAY INVESTIGATE FOR THEMSELVES THE TITLE AND ENCUMBRANCES, HEREIN ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTIES IF ANY THERE BE.  
All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and date.  
In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on March 14, 2019.  
Magsaysay Blvd., Tacloban City, Leyte, Philippines.  
January 17, 2019.  
FOR THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF  
(Sgd.) **NEIL FLORO J. LOPEGA**  
Sheriff IV  
RTC-OCC,  
Tacloban City  
*LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

**AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION WITH SALE**  
NOTICE is hereby given that Aaron James P. Almadro heir of the late Virgilio C. Almadro, executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication over parcels of land, described as: **1)** Parcel of land, Lot No. 7312, Case 11, Cad. 407, located at Brgy. San Jose, Palo, Leyte, consisting of 4027 square meters, covered by O.C.T. No. P-44959; **2)** Lot 7329, Case No. 11, Cad. 407, located at Brgy. San Jose, Palo, Leyte, consisting of 3,886 square meters, covered by O.C.T. No. P-44957; **3)** Lot 7331, Case 11, Cad. 407 located at Brgy. San Jose, Palo, Leyte, containing an area of 3,697 square meters, covered by O.C.T. No. P-44958; A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of GREGORIO C. DOLINA as vendee for the above-described properties; per Doc. No. 242, Page No. 49, Book No. IX, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Edson G. Piczon. *LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT**  
NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Erlindo P. Laplana extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 6 parcels of land, described as: **1)** One-half (1/2) portion of agricultural rice land, Lot No. 6932-C, situated at Sitio Tab-ang, Brgy. Kilim, Baybay, Leyte, containing an area of 4,000 square meters, more or less, part of OCT No. 9157, with total area of 18,635 square meters, more or less; **2)** One-half (1/2) portion, Lot 3932-A, Psd-275310, situated at Brgy. Hibunawan, Baybay City, covered by TCT No. T-22518, with an area of 6,612 square meters, more or less (half portion); **3)** Lot 1, Block 10, Pcs-07-003254, situated at Brgy. Bacayan, Cebu City, covered by T.C.T. No. 144209, with a total area of 67 square meters, more or less, including the one-storey residential house erected thereon of mixed materials and with galvanized roofing; **4)** Lot No. 971, Case 16 Cad 522-D, situated at Rizal, Sogod, Southern Leyte, part of O.C.T. No. 26388, with total area of 3,667 square meters, more or less; the portion subject of this partition has an area of 3,667 square meters, including the one-storey residential house erected of mixed materials of wood and cement with galvanized roofing; **5)** Lot 4033-B, situated at Brgy. Candadam, (now Brgy. Cogon, Baybay City, Leyte), covered by T.C.T. No. T-9552, with total area of 1,427 square meters, more or less, with one storey residential house erected thereon of mixed materials of wood and cement with galvanized roofing; **6)** Lot 37, Block 3, Phase 4, Pcs-08-000010, situated at Brgy. Caibaan, Tacloban City, Leyte, covered by TCT No. T-39122, with an area of 188 square meters, including the dilapidated one-storey house erected thereon of mixed materials of wood and cement and with galvanized roofing; per Doc. No. 494, Page No. 90, Book No. 96, Series of 2012 of Notary Public Atty. Jesus V. Palermo. *LSDE: Feb.2, 9 & 16, 2019*

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE**  
NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Estefa Condes Merin extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, Lot No. 2415-Part, located in San Vicente, Matag-ob, Leyte, containing an area of 2,360 square meters, more or less, covered by Tax Dec. Real Property No. 08-260019-0034. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of ANITA L. GARCIANO as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 32, Page No. 7, Book No. LXXIX, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Allan R. Castro. *LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE (PORTION)**  
NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Felicidad Jabeguero extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, Lot 2531-D, Psd-666555, situated at Poblacion, Municipality of Catbalogan, Province of Samar, covered by T.C.T. No. T-6889, containing an area of 185 square meters. A Deed of Sale was executed a portion of 100 square meters from the above-described property; per Doc. No. 005, Page No. 02, Book No. 128, Series of 2013 of Notary Public Atty. Medino L. Acuba. *LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

**AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION**  
NOTICE is hereby given that Rosario M. Francisco the surviving Spouse of Anselmo E. Francisco, who died intestate on August 1, 2006 executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication over a parcel of land situated in Barangay District IV, Poblacion, Pastrana, Leyte, with an area of 100 square meters covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-96805, now particularly described as follows: A parcel of residential land, Lot No. 4923, Case 4, Cad-821-D, situated in Barangay District IV, Poblacion, Pastrana, Leyte with an area of 100 square meters, covered by OCT No. P-96805; per Doc. No. 245, Page No. 50, Book No. XVII, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Maila C.N. Andrade. *LSDE: February 9, 16 & 23, 2019*

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE**  
NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Rufino Estopin extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of residential land situated in Brgy. Arado, Palo, Leyte, covered with Tax Dec. No. 08-30-0008-00135, containing an area of 226 square meters, more or less, with Cad. Lot No. 6379. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Sps. Paul Carlo Barbosa Catantan and Gerahmie Napalit Catantan as vendee for a one-half (1/2) portion from the above-described property; per Doc. No. 448, Page No. 90, Book No. XLIX, Series of 2016 of Notary Public Atty. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar. *LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

**DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE**  
NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Rufo Bajado extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land situated along Magsaysay St., Brgy. 05, Maydolong, Eastern Samar, Cad. Lot No. 1027 & 1026, containing an area of 138 square meters, more or less, under Tax Dec. No. 11-150005-00113 & PIN 037-15-005-03-013. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Sps. Nathaniel E. Baldono and Ma. Natividad B. Baldono as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 493, Page No. 100, Book No. XIV, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Louie A. Borja. *LSDE: February 2, 9 & 16, 2019*

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communication  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD**  
Regional Office No. VIII  
Palo, Leyte

R8-EV-PB-2019-2-20141360  
Case No. VIII-2014-1360

Application for **Extension of Validity** of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **PUB** service

**LORETO R. LACASA,**  
Applicant/s  
x- - - - -x

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Applicant is a grantee of a Reconstituted Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **PUB** service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: **TACLOBAN CITY-GUIUAN & VICE VERSA** with the use of **ONE (1)** unit/s which Certificate is valid and subsisting until **JULY 3, 2019**.  
In the present application, applicant request authority for extension of validity of the said certificate using the same number of unit/s.  
**NOTICE** is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **FEBRUARY 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.  
At least **TEN (10)** days prior to the above date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of local circulation.  
This application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of its records and documentary evidence submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.  
WITNESS the Honorable **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **7<sup>th</sup>** day of **FEBRUARY, 2019**.

(Sgd.) **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**  
Regional Director

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communication  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD**  
Regional Office No. VIII  
Palo, Leyte

R8-NC/PA-TH-2019-02-0006  
Case No. VIII-2019-0006

Application for **Issuance** of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **TRUCK FOR HIRE** service with prayer to adopt trade name

**MARILYN A. SUPERADA,**  
Applicant/s  
x- - - - -x

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Applicant request authority for the Issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **TRUCK FOR HIRE** for the transportation of passengers and freights along the line: **FROM ALANGALANG, LEYTE, TO ANY POINT IN REGION VIII** with the use of **ONE (1)** unit/s.  
**NOTICE** is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **FEBRUARY 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.  
At least **TEN (10)** days prior to the above date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of local circulation.  
This application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of its records and documentary evidence submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.  
WITNESS the Honorable **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **7<sup>th</sup>** day of **FEBRUARY, 2019**.

(Sgd.) **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**  
Regional Director

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communication  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD**  
Regional Office No. VIII  
Palo, Leyte

R8-NC/PA-TH-2019-02-0006  
Case No. VIII-2019-0006

Application for **Extension of Validity** of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **PUJ with DUAL** service

**CARMENCITA B. SAMONTE,**  
Applicant/s  
x- - - - -x

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Applicant is a grantee of a Reconstituted Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **PUJ with Dual** service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: **TACLOBAN CITY-SAN JOSE-AIRPORT & VICE VERSA** with the use of **ONE (1)** unit/s which Certificate is valid and subsisting until **JUNE 26, 2019**.  
In the present application, applicant request authority for extension of validity of the said certificate using the same number of unit/s.  
**NOTICE** is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **FEBRUARY 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.  
At least **TEN (10)** days prior to the above date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of local circulation.  
This application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of its records and documentary evidence submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.  
WITNESS the Honorable **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **11<sup>th</sup>** day of **FEBRUARY, 2019**.

(Sgd.) **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**  
Regional Director

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communication  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD**  
Regional Office No. VIII  
Palo, Leyte

R8-EV-PJ-2019-02-20141431  
Case No. VIII-2014-1431

Application for **Extension of Validity** of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **PUJ with DUAL** service

**CARMENCITA B. SAMONTE,**  
Applicant/s  
x- - - - -x

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Applicant is a grantee of a Reconstituted Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **PUJ with Dual** service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: **TACLOBAN CITY-SAN JOSE-AIRPORT & VICE VERSA** with the use of **ONE (1)** unit/s which Certificate is valid and subsisting until **JUNE 26, 2019**.  
In the present application, applicant request authority for extension of validity of the said certificate using the same number of unit/s.  
**NOTICE** is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **FEBRUARY 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.  
At least **TEN (10)** days prior to the above date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of local circulation.  
This application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of its records and documentary evidence submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.  
WITNESS the Honorable **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **11<sup>th</sup>** day of **FEBRUARY, 2019**.

(Sgd.) **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**  
Regional Director

Publication Notice  
RA 9048

Republic of the Philippines  
City Civil Registry Office  
Province of Eastern Samar  
City of Borongan

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 7 of R.A. 9048, a notice is hereby serve to the public that **RODOLFO D. DELOS SANTOS**, has filed with this Office a **Petition for Change of Child's first name** from **RICKY** to **RODOLFO** in the Birth Certificate of **RICKY DURAN DELOS SANTOS**, who was on **August 21, 1970** at **Borongan, Eastern Samar** and whose parents are **PRIMA ARIAS DURAN** and **ROSALEO A. DELOS SANTOS**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file written opposition with this office not later than **25 Feb. 2019**.

(Sgd.) **MA. LUISA M. AZUL III**  
City Civil Registrar

LSDE: Feb. 16 & 23, 2019







EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Sps. Santiago C. Ramirez and Vivencia Gomez-Ramirez extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, Lot 10405-J, Csd-08-002557-D (OLT) situated at Brgy. Poblacion, Kananga, Leyte, covered by O.C.T. No. 115-R02015000322 (OE-7880), containing an area of 14,152 square meters; 2) Lot 10405-K, Csd-08-002557-D, (OLT), situated at Brgy. Poblacion, Kananga, Leyte, containing an area of 377 square meters. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Sps. Ronald G. Juban and Maria Kim O. Marquez-Juban as vendee for about 137.134 square meters about 36,528 square meters is taken from OCT No. 115-R02015 000322 (OE-7880) described as Lot 10405-J now Lot 10405-A-10 and about 100,606 square meters is taken from OCT No. 115-R02015000323 (OE-7881) described as Lot 10405-K now Lot 10405-A-11; per Doc. No. 71, Page No. 15, Book No. LXXXI, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Allan R. Castro. *LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Sps. Eleuterio Merino and Estelita Villafior extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land located at Brgy. Paa, Hilongos, Leyte, Lot No. 3964, under Tax Dec. No. 14030-00031 R-13, containing an area of 10,109 square meters. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Bernabe A. Flores as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 289, Page No. 88, Book No. XXVI, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Josenilo Marquez Reoma. *LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Mario Alimangohan extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a certain parcel of residential land located at Brgy. Buri, Palo, Leyte, Cad. Lot No. 469, covered by Tax Dec. No. 08-30-0001-00030, containing an area of 269 square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Delia C. Alimangohan-Pilola as vendee for the above-described property with all the improvements thereon; per Doc. No. 72, Page No. 17, Book No. II, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Sharon R. Villones. *LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

Republic of the Philippines  
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT  
8th Judicial Region  
Branch 34 (46)  
Bulwagan ng Katarungan  
Magsaysay Boulevard,  
Tacloban City  
IN RE: Settlement of the Intestate Estate of the Late CHARLES “CHARLIE” MOONEY GRAY, RINGO WAYNE ALIDO GRAY, JENNIFER HELENA A. GRAY-RODRIGUEZ, MA. SOCORRO AMELISSA D. GRAY-ATIS and STEPHANY HOPE OCADO GRAY, are all represented by TRINIDAD ALIDO GRAY-CLOCK, Petitioners.  
SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS CASE NO. R-TAC-19-00058-SP  
FOR: Settlement of the Intestate Estate of CHARLES “CHARLIE” MOONEY GRAY, with Prayer for the Appointment of Executor or Administrator

among the heirs mentioned, in accordance with the value of the estate that may be awarded to each, respectively; and

4. grant such other reliefs as may be deemed just and equitable.

Notice is hereby given that the initial hearing of the Petition is set on **MAY 9, 2019** at 8:30 o'clock in the morning before RTC, Branch 46, sitting at Bulwagan ng Katarungan, Magsaysay Blvd., Tacloban City. Any interested persons, heirs, creditors or third persons may appear on said time and date and there file his/her opposition thereto if any and to show cause why said “Settlement of the Intestate Estate of CHARLES “CHARLIE” MOONEY GRAY, with Prayer for the Appointment of Executor or Administrator” be not issued in their favor.

Let a copy of this Order be published in newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Leyte including the City of Tacloban once a week for three (3) successive weeks at the expense of the petitioners. Further, let a copy of this Order and a copy of the Petition together with its annexes be personally served if practicable to Charles Mooney Gray’s compulsory heirs, at least ten (10) days before the day of hearing. But if the service is by mail, the Order and copy of the Petition should be mailed to the said compulsory heirs in the post office with the postage thereon prepaid at least twenty (20) days before the scheduled hearing, to wit:

- 1.) Charles Nestor Alido Gray - 1022 S Magnolia Ave Ontaio California 91762, USA;
- 2.) Ringo Wayne Alido Gray - 493 Shrode Avenue, Duarte, California 91010, USA;
- 3.) Jaquiline Loretta Alido Gray-Valentine - 60 Huntington Bay Road, Huntington, New York 11743, USA;
- 4.) Jennifer Helen Alido Gray-Rodriguez - 5530 Nagle Avenue, Sherman Oaks, California 91401, USA;
- 5.) Ma. Socorro Amelissa D. Gray-Atis - 198-G Ortigas Avenue Ext., Brgy. Sta. Lucia, Pasig City;
- 6.) Bessie Melancholy Brazil Gray - Brgy. 71, Naga Naga, Tacloban City;
- 7.) Carla Nostalgia Brazil Gray - Brgy. 71, Naga Naga, Tacloban City;
- 8.) Stephany Hope Ocado Gray - Pardo, Cebu City.

Furnish also a copy of this Order to petitioner’s counsels, Atty. Von Kaisser P. Soro and Atty. Luningning M. Soro at their address on record and to the petitioners.

SO ORDERED.

GIVEN this 21st day of January, 2019 at the Bulwagan ng Katarungan, Tacloban City.  
(Sgd.) **LOLITA R. MERCADO**  
Presiding Judge  
*LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

Biliran...

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consult a doctor and seek for medical attention for proper care.

Those who had dengue after their hospitalization should have regular check-up for 10 days to monitor their condition and have laboratory test.

“Basta may positive dengue RDT (rapid diagnostic test), it is very important that

DEED OF PARTITION WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Jesus Abordo extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of residential land, located at Evangelista St., Marvel, Isabel, Leyte covered by Tax Dec. No. 17001-00049 and Cad. Lot No. 705, containing an area of 365 square meters, and their mother, Victoria B. Abordo hereby waive all her rights, interest and participation in favor of her son Jimmy Abordo, containing an area of 182.5 square meters and parties namely Jimmy Abordo, Evelyn A. Libo-on, Jenelyn Abordo and Jessievic Abordo hereby agreed their respective shares will be waived in favor of their oldest sister MA. DELIA A. SALVACION, the other one-half (1/2) share, area of 182.5 square meters; per Doc. No. 723, Page No. 45, Book No. XXXIX, Series of 1998 of Notary Public Atty. Bernardita R. Clemente. *LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Rufino L. Muldera, Jr. extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a one-half (1/2) parcel of land, with residential house erected thereon situated at Brgy. Guintagbucan, Abuyog, Leyte, the whole portion containing an area of 322 square meters, more or less, covered by Tax Dec. No. 08-01005-01075 and residential building covered by Tax Dec. No. 08-01005-00396. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Manuelito R. Sy, as vendee for the above described one-half (1/2) portion property; per Doc. No. 42, Page No. 10, Book No. LV, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Mark Gil M. Tadena. *LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communication  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD**  
Regional Office No. VIII  
Palo, Leyte  
  
R8-CC-FC-2019-02-0012  
Case No. VIII-2019-0012  
Ref. Case No. VIII-2014-1487  
VIII-2015-0107

Application for **Consolidation** of Cases of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **FILCAB** service

**LEMON DRIVERS AND OPERATORS TRANSPORT COOPERATIVE (LEDOTRANSKO)**  
Represented by: **Ida Merilyn C. Kelly**  
Applicant/s  
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**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Applicant-Cooperative is a grantee of **TWO (2)** Certificate of Public Convenience namely: **Cases Nos. VIII-2014-1487, 2015-0107** to operate a **FILCAB** service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: **CARIGARA-LEMON-LEYTE, LEYTE & VICE VERSA** with the use of **TWO (2)** unit/s for each Certificate which Certificates are valid and subsisting until **April 16, 2020**, respectively.

In the present application, applicant-Cooperative request authority for Consolidation of Cases for the said certificates using the same number of unit/s.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **FEBRUARY 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.

At least **TEN (10)** days prior to the above date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of local circulation.

This Application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of its records and documentary evidence submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.

WITNESS the Honorable **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **11<sup>th</sup>** day of **FEBRUARY, 2019**.

(Sgd.) **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**  
Regional Director  
  
Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communication  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD**  
Regional Office No. VIII  
Palo, Leyte  
  
R8-CC-FC-2019-02-0014  
Case No. VIII-2019-0014  
Ref. Case No. VIII-2015-0042  
VIII-2014-4683

Application for **Consolidation** of Cases of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **FILCAB** service

**LEMON DRIVERS AND OPERATORS TRANSPORT COOPERATIVE (LEDOTRANSKO)**  
Represented by: **Ida Merilyn C. Kelly**  
Applicant/s  
x-----x

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Applicant-Cooperative is a grantee of **TWO (2)** Certificate of Public Convenience namely: **Cases Nos. VIII-2015-0042, 2014-4683** to operate a **FILCAB** service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: **ORMOC CITY-KANANGA & VICE VERSA** with the use of **THREE (3)** unit/s for each Certificate which Certificates are valid and subsisting until **February 24, 2020**, respectively.

In the present application, applicant-Cooperative request authority for Consolidation of Cases for the said certificates using the same number of unit/s.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **FEBRUARY 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.

At least **TEN (10)** days prior to the above date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of local circulation.

This Application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of its records and documentary evidence submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.

WITNESS the Honorable **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **11<sup>th</sup>** day of **FEBRUARY, 2019**.

(Sgd.) **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**  
Regional Director  
  
Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communication  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD**  
Regional Office No. VIII  
Palo, Leyte  
  
R8-CC-MB-2019-02-0013  
Case No. VIII-2019-0013  
Ref. Case No. VIII-2014-1475  
VIII-2015-1063

Application for **Consolidation** of Cases of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **MINI BUS** service

**LEMON DRIVERS AND OPERATORS TRANSPORT COOPERATIVE (LEDOTRANSKO)**  
Represented by: **Ida Merilyn C. Kelly**  
Applicant/s  
x-----x

**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Applicant-Cooperative is a grantee of **TWO (2)** Certificate of Public Convenience namely: **Cases Nos. VIII-2015-1475, 2015-1063** to operate a **MINI BUS** service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: **TACLOBAN CITY-CARIGARA & VICE VERSA** with the use of **TWO (2)** unit/s for each Certificate which Certificates are valid and subsisting until **February 25, 2023**, respectively.

In the present application, applicant-Cooperative request authority for Consolidation of Cases for the said certificates using the same number of unit/s.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **FEBRUARY 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.

At least **TEN (10)** days prior to the above date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of local circulation.

This Application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of its records and documentary evidence submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.

WITNESS the Honorable **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **11<sup>th</sup>** day of **FEBRUARY, 2019**.

children or patients should stay in the hospital,” Olodia adding that if ever they go home, they should go back to the hospital for check-up.

Olodia also advices communities to continue the search and destroy activities for breeding ground of mosquitoes to address problem on dengue cases in their respective areas.

(**JOEY A. GABIETA,ROEL T. AMAZONA**)

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE (PORTION)

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Isidro S. Montilla, Sr. extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural land situated at Brgy. San Isidro, Palompon, Leyte, Lot No. 1936, containing an area of 1,791 square meters, covered by Katibayan ng Original na Titulo Blg. P-43787. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of IRWIN JUERG L. ROBLE married to Cherrylen S. Roble as vendee for a portion of 606 square meters from the above-described property; per Doc. No. 48, Page No. 11, Book No. 57, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Elroy Raymond S. Bertulfo. *LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH CONFIRMATION OF QUITCLAIM AND WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that Ma. Nora Linbert A. Lloren, Felixberto A. Lloren Jr., Marsha Lindy L. Sabondo, Leonor Gilbert A. Lloren, Lindy Ann L. Madriaga, Linbert A. Lloren, Genalyn O. Lloren executed an Extrajudicial Settlement with Confirmation of Quitclaim and Waiver of Rights in favor of HERBERT A. LLOREN over a parcel of residential land with all the improvements thereon situated at Poponton, Brgy. Taboc, Borongan, Eastern Samar, under A.R.P. No. 08-052-00711, denominated as PIN 037-230-052-12-068, Survey No. 3645 PRT-E, containing an area of 178 square meters; per Doc. No. 252, Page No. 51, Book No. II, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Arturo D. Macabasag. *LSDE: February 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Teresita Limpin-Tenefrancia and Carlos Prisno Tenefrancia extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over: **1)** Aa parcel of land, designated as Lot 2, BLock 5, Pes-08-000101, situated in the Brgy. of Caibaan, City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, containing an area of 180 square meters, more or less, covered by T.C.T. No. T-6350; **2)** A parcel of land designated as Lot 295, Pls-163, (FPA-12-1-127), situated in the Barrio of Dampigan, Sta. Rita, Samar, containing an area of 5,188 square meters, more or less, covered by TCT No. T-11477; **3)** Parcel of land, designated as Lot No. 308, Pls-163 (FV 56696) situated in the Barrio of Dampigan, Sta. Rita, Samar, containing an area of 22,289 square meters, more or less, covered by T.C.T. No. T-11355; **4)** Lot No. 307-Pls-163, situated at Brgy. San Juan, Sta. Rita, Samar, containing an area of 19,350 square meters, more or less, covered by Original na Titulo Blg. 22924; per Doc. No. 3230, Page No. 664, Book No. XXXI, Series of 2012 of Notary Public Atty. Pedro B. Panis. *LSDE: February 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Gerardo Andaliza Artiga extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of commercial land, with bldg. thereon, located along Cor. San Juan St. and Sevilla St., Brgy. F, Borongan City, Eastern Samar designated under Tax Dec./A.R.P. No. 08-007-00087, Lot No. 124-A, containing an area of 61.75 square meters; per Doc. No. 341, Page No. 70, Book No. XV, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Rhoda Montes Cebrius. *LSDE: February 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

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Regional Office No. VIII  
Palo, Leyte  
  
R8-CC-FC-2019-02-0014  
Case No. VIII-2019-0014  
Ref. Case No. VIII-2015-0042  
VIII-2014-4683

Application for **Consolidation** of Cases of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **FILCAB** service

**LEMON DRIVERS AND OPERATORS TRANSPORT COOPERATIVE (LEDOTRANSKO)**  
Represented by: **Ida Merilyn C. Kelly**  
Applicant/s  
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**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Applicant-Cooperative is a grantee of **TWO (2)** Certificate of Public Convenience namely: **Cases Nos. VIII-2015-0042, 2014-4683** to operate a **FILCAB** service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: **ORMOC CITY-KANANGA & VICE VERSA** with the use of **THREE (3)** unit/s for each Certificate which Certificates are valid and subsisting until **February 24, 2020**, respectively.

In the present application, applicant-Cooperative request authority for Consolidation of Cases for the said certificates using the same number of unit/s.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **FEBRUARY 27, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.

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WITNESS the Honorable **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **11<sup>th</sup>** day of **FEBRUARY, 2019**.

(Sgd.) **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**  
Regional Director  
  
Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communication  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD**  
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R8-CC-UV-2019-02-0015  
Case No. VIII-2019-0015  
Ref. Case No. VIII-2014-2937  
VIII-2014-4704

Application for **Consolidation** of Cases of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **UV EXPRSS** service

**LEMON DRIVERS AND OPERATORS TRANSPORT COOPERATIVE (LEDOTRANSKO)**  
Represented by: **Ida Merilyn C. Kelly**  
Applicant/s  
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**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
Applicant-Cooperative is a grantee of **TWO (2)** Certificate of Public Convenience namely: **Cases Nos. VIII-2014-2937, 2014-4704** to operate a **UV EXPRESS** service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: **ORMOC CITY-PALOMPON & VICE VERSA** with the use of **TWO (2)** unit/s for each Certificate which Certificates are valid and subsisting until **February 26, 2020**, respectively.

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R.A. Form No. 10.1 (LCRO)

Republic of the Philippines  
Local Civil Registry Office  
Province of Leyte  
Municipality of Babatngon

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that

**GARRY A. COLLERA**, has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name from **“MARK”** to **“GARRY”** in the birth certificate of **MARK ACOY COLLERA**, who was on **23 JULY 1994** at **BABATNGON, LEYTE** and whose parents are **PABLO LACABA** and **GORITA VERZOSA AGOY**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file written opposition with this Office not later than **February 28, 2019**.

(Sgd.) **NILO C. CAÑETE, JR.**  
Municipal Civil Registrar

*LSDE: Feb. 16 & 23, 2019*

AFFIDAVIT OF CLAIM WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Leonilo S. Erodias executed an affidavit of Claim with waiver of Rights over a Savings Deposit Account in the Philippine Veterans Bank -Tacloban Branch under Savings Account No. 25039763100 with a balance of P125,136.46 and heirs hereby request to release the balance of said deposit account in favor of Sarah M. Erodias or to transfer the balance to her name and having waived their rights in her favor; per Doc. No. 192, Page No. 39, Book No. XI, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Evita Grace Ty-Roa. *LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Sps. Maximo Uy Tonolete and Maria Ester C. Casaul-Tonolete extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over parcels of land described as: 1) Lot No. 1154, Case 2, Cad 557-D, containing an area of 2,293 square meters, more or less, situated at Brgy. San Isidro, Biliran, Biliran covered by Katibayan ng Original na Titulo Blg. P-694; 2) Lot No. 1155, Case 2, Cad 557-D, containing an area of 819 square meters, more or less, situated at Brgy. San Isidro Biliran, Biliran, covered by Katibayan ng Original na Titulo Blg. P-1862; per Doc. No. 6601, Page No. 728, Book No. X. Series of 2008 of Notary Public Atty. Mario Lydinno R. Opeña. *LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that Lourdes Cabaul Cula heir of the late Avelino Dolina Cula executed an affidavit of Adjudication over a one half (1/2) share of a parcel of land known as Lot 2074, Cad 1018-D, situated at Brgy. Balaquid, Cabucgayan, Biliran, containing an area of 10,523 square meters, more or less covered by O.C.T. No. 3114 and hereby agree to waive, demise, renounce, cede, transfer and convey and forever quit the above-described property in favor of Karl Kevin T. Yap; per Doc. No. 6609, Page No. 728, Book No. X, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Mario Lydinno Opeña. *LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that Adella A. Chong married to Charles P. Chong of Naval, Biliran executed a Deed of Absolute Sale of a parcel of commercial land designated as Cad. Lot/Survey No. 148, situated in Brgy. Smo. Rosario, Naval, Biliran, containing an area of 658 square meters, more or less and all the improvements situated thereon, under Tax Dec. No.00158, PIN No. 074-08-0022-005-12 in favor of Suzanne Sembrano Fan as vendee/buyer for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 239, Page No. 48, Book No. III, Series of 2016 of Notary Public Atty. Melvin O. Vaporoso. *LSDE: Feb. 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

AFFIDAVIT OF SOLE HEIR

NOTICE is hereby given that Clemente M. Octaviano executed an affidavit of sole heir of the late Encarnacion Octaviano who later filed a petition for Adoption and pursuant dated Sept. 27, 1958, under S.P. Proc. No. 834, it granted the petition of Encarnacion Octaviano for Adoption and the only surviving heir/son of the late Encarnacion Octaviano who died intestate on November 10, 1968 in Tacloban City; per Document Notarized by Prosecutor Percival P. Dolina. *LSDE: February 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Reynaldo Ricalde Daguman executed an Extrajudicial Settlement with waiver of Rights as beneficiaries in the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) as named her mother Priscila R. Daguman as his beneficiaries but the latter is already dead; and during his lifetime was not able to update his named beneficiaries with the GSIS despite having married to Celerina Tinay Daguman with whom he had 3 minor children, and parties do hereby WAIVE, RELINQUISH and Abandon the above-described benefits in favor of Celerina Tinay Daguman, Khaye Fatima Daguman, Kiesha Cyrene T. Daguman and Krizelle Niña T. Daguman; per Doc. No. 2339, Page No. 468, Book No. V, Series of 2018 of Notary Public Atty. Maricar R. Lucero, RSW. *LSDE: February 16, 23 & March 2, 2019*

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Tipa-Manila...

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na gud an barko bumalik ngan ginkaon nala ini han kasirum nga makusog nga uran.

Nagkinurawang hi Mana Bising, an mga luha naawas ha bayhon upod han mga turo han uran. Lumingkod ini ha semento nga iginbaban-yak an mga tiil. Hi Man Caloy naman, waray saba nga ginhigot an pasi dida han kabilya nga nalabaw ha ligid han pantalan, ginpurot an pasi, ngan kinaduha ini hin suntok, tapal, kamras, kubot, gumro, ngan litik. Pagtakas la, ginpuspos ha semento an hayop nga haros waray na tingug dara han sobra nga piya-ik.

Lumunay an pasi ha semento, ginkukuri-an pagginhawa, kalawasan mangurog-kurog. Tikang ha baba hini, gumawas an presko nga dugo nga ginpasarang dayon han mga turo han uran.

Nangungurog hi Man Caloy, makusog ngan sagunson an pagginhawa, mga kamot nakumkom, magtarum an mga mata. Pagkita niya han pasi, бага ini hin panulay nga sungayan. Ha kada pagkikidlat ngan pagdadalugdog, бага hin ginsisiraban an iya talinga. Nahinumdom hiya han iya sundang nga matarum. Kon aada la ini ha iya mga kamot hito nga oras, iya gud pagtatadtaron ini nga hayop, bis pa ini may pito o siyam nga kinabuhi. Iya ini pagtitiruson hin pino kay bangin napasalipod la ini, napaka-pasi pero panulay ngayan.

Grabe nga kadimalasan an dara hini nga pasi ha ira kinabuhi pinsar ni Man Caloy. Gabay nala waray ini ig-anak, o di ngani namatay ha gilayon, o ginkaon hin sawa ngan nadunot ha tiyan, natunaw. Yana, hingpit an ira pagbasol, nadulot ha kasing-kasing, mapait panumdumon. Nabayaan pa hira han barko, nadara pa gud an ira mga dugnit nga mga hinirutan tikang pa han olitawo-daraga pa hira. Waray na, dum-dum ni Man Caloy, waray gamit ini nga pasi. Angay nala ini ihapil upod it mga basura para madunot didto hit kahugawan.

“Hala, panguli na kita,” sagda ni Man Caloy han iya asawa nga sige pa an pagpinamahid han luha nga бага hin bata nga gimbayaan hin kag-

anak. “Waray na kita mahihimo kay gimbayaan naman kita.” Tumalikod hiya ngan naghinay-hinay paglakat tipahirayu, ha ilarum han masirum na nga kapaligiran.

Bumuhat hi Mana Bising, pero imbis nga lumakat dayon, ginpurot hini an naghihimatay nga pasi ngan gindara ini.

“Baya-i iton,” lumingi hi Man Caloy ngan umukoy paglakat, nag-iisug. “Pasagdi ito nga mamatay nala dida.

Waray bumali hi Mana Bising. Nagpina-urhi la hiya paglakat pero gindara la gihap an pasi, gin-iirok ha iya tuo nga kagiliran.

Dara nga waray nira kilala nga pwede makaturogan dida han bungto hito nga gab-i, didto hira kumadto ha town plaza. Didto na hira mahulat ngada han kaaga. Maupay nala nakasirong hira ha sulod han play house kon diin, bisan kon maangso—kay magbaho man ngan liwat an ira mga sulot—nakatago gihap hira tikang han madlos ngan waray hunong nga pag-inuran. Waray hira iru-istorya samtang nagkakalingkod ha tuna. Higlarum an ira paminsar. Sige man an ira panagpas hin namok. Makuri hira manhingaturug. Kon mayda man nagkikinaturug, ini in waray iba kon diri an pasi. Iba la manggud an pagkaturog hini kay бага talagsa nala nga naginhawa, waray labot han mga natatabu. An nahihimu la, amo an pagkinurog-kurog dara han hagkot. Diri urusahon kay bis ngani an iya mga agaron, haros na igkabag han tugnaw, labis na kay maghulos an ira mga sulot. Labot han uran, mahangin pa gud an kagab-ihon. Nakita hi Man Caloy han mga kahoy dida han plaza, nga nasisirakan han panalagsa nga mga light, nga daw ginuukay han hangin, nagsasarayaw ha butnga han halu-agay nga plaza. Dida han katutnga han gab-i, naparong pa gud an mga light ngan nagsisirum an paligid, upod na an bug-os nga bungto.

Timprano pa kinabuwasan, madalumdom pa an kalangitan upod an sige nga tarahiti ngan madlos hin hangin, kumadto na hira ha paradahan han mga jeep nga ira sasakyan tipa-uli. Didto nakabati hira hin mga hurob-hurob han mga tawo, seryuso an mga nawong, may kahadluk ngan kabaraka. Sumakay hira han jeep nga na-

hi-uuna han pila. Mayda na didto tutulo ka tawo nga nag-iiniru-istorya, babayi an usa ngan nagpipinanmahid hin luha samtang nagyiynakan. Nanmati hira han hiruhimangraw. Nandagku an ira mga mata han ira nabati-an. Diri hira makatuod. Nagsiplatay hira nga mag-asawa, maiha, sige an piling-piling han ira mga ulo.

Nahiuli-an hin gutom hi Man Caloy. Nanggirabo an iya mga barahibo. Nagngirasot an iya nawong nga daw naka-inum hin maaslum nga su-oy. Ginharani niya an iya baba kan Mana Bising ngan humoring:

“Maupay nala nga waray kita makasakay hadto nga barko kon asya man nga nalunod ngayan.”

Tumangdo hi Mana Bising hin makusog, an iya hitsura daw sugad hin nakakita hin aswang, namumusay an bayhon, nanlulutaw an mga mata nga puno hin kahadlok.

“Hasta yana, waray pagud kuno nahiaagi-an bis usa nga nakasalbar,” nagpadayon an babaye pagyikanan ha ira atubangan.

Hinay-hinay nga ginkuha ni Man Caloy an pasi tikang han pagkakugos ni Mana Bising. Baga hiya hin nag-aalsa hin maburu-ong nga bunay. Nahimangno ngan nagkiwaros an hayop. Paghingada hini ha iya mga kamot, bumuhat hi Man Caloy ngan iginhuma an iya aswa paglusad.

Namiling hira hin tindahan ha mga ligiron. Pakaaagi la, pumalit hi Man Caloy hin, siring pa niya, pinakamarasa nga biscuit. Lumingkod hiya ha ligid, gin-abrihan an biscuit, ngan nagtalinguha paghungit han lagayon nga pasi, ha iya mga mata nakada an sobra nga kaluoy.

“Iya baby, kaon na,” sir-ing ni Man Caloy ngadto han iya kinugos nga pasi samtang nga ginpipirit abrihon an dugo-on pa nga baba hini.

Waray kakaon an pasi. Diri naabri han iya baba. Nagpipiniyong la ini nga daw naayon la pagkinaturug hin maiha-ihaan, bisan kon ginkakatakta-kan na hiya hin dagku nga luha tikang han kan Man Caloy mga mata, tikang han kurunot hini nga bayhon nga iginduot pagharok han nagtitika-hagkot na nga lawas han hini nga anay minayuyo, daw minasus-an nga hayop.

6 new farm tourism sites eyed in Eastern Visayas

TACLOBAN CITY - The Department of Tourism (DOT) is eyeing to accredit six more farm tourism sites in Eastern Visayas this year to provide a better life to farmers in this predominantly agriculture region.

The target will bring the number to nine accredited sites in the region by the end of the year or a 200 percent increase from 2018 figure, said DOT Eastern Visayas Regional Director Karina Rosa Tiopes.

Currently, there are only three accredited farm tourism destinations in the region – Softea Garden in Biliran, Biliran; Canaan Hills Farm and Honey Garden in Caibiran, Biliran; and Villaconzoilo Farm in Jaro, Leyte.

Prospective farm tourism sites should be in safe and in peaceful locations with roads, electricity, water; have sufficient facilities and amenities such as reception center, parking space, dining or multipurpose area, souvenir shops, accommodation and restaurants; and have trained tour guides.

“We would like to identify diverse farms so that they will not be in competition with each other. We want at least one well-developed, market-ready farm tourism sites. We’ll try to find places in the region with marine agriculture parks, a large track of coconut plantation, vegetable production area, dairy farms. Among others,” Tiopes told reporters on Thursday.

Earlier, the tourism department and the Agriculture Training Institute have identified 58 farms as potential agriculture tourism



The Canaan Hills Farm and Honey Garden in Caibiran, Biliran is the first accredited farm tourism site in Eastern Visayas. (Photo courtesy of Canaan Hills)

sites. These farms produce rice, dairy, coconut, aquaculture, and high-value fruits and vegetables.

“The presence of these farm sites puts the region in a good position to develop distinct and complementing farm experiences, that can be more interesting because of unique and even heart-warming stories of the farm owners themselves,” Tiopes explained.

The official said farm tourism opens up the possibilities for diversification of income for small-scale farmers while promoting sustainable agricultural systems and community involvement and participation.

The tourism department has been gathering farm owners and other stakeholders to come up with a strategic action plan that will guide them on how to develop farm tourism in the region.

“We assist them in product development, identify potential activities given the terrain, main resources, and organizational set-up that they have,” she added.

The government enacted Republic Act No. 10816 or the Farm Tourism

Development Act on May 23, 2016, recognizing the value of farming in food production and providing income.

The law defines farm tourism as a practice of attracting visitors and tourists to farm areas for production, educational, recreational, purposes - which involves any agricultural or fishery-based operation or activity, and may also provide a venue for outdoor recreation and accessible family outings.

The tourism department launched the “It’s More Fun in Philippine Farms” program on Oct. 23 recognizing that “a day in the farm is both relaxing and educational.”

Eastern Visayas region is a predominantly farming area where 45 percent or 976,415 hectares of its total land area is devoted to agriculture.

Of its agricultural lands, 70 percent is planted to coconut and 20 percent is planted to rice and corn. The rest is planted to other crops, used to raise livestock and poultry, or inland fishery products. (SARWELL Q.MENIANO/PNA)

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as the Vice-Chairman. Members of the committee also include the Regional Directors of the Department of Agriculture (DA), the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), and a Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI) representative.

The RAC evaluated the finalists through the Awards

Criteria totalling 100 points: (a) Responsiveness of the Legislative Agenda (30 points); (b) Availability of Legislative Documents (18 points); (c) Effectiveness of Performance of the Sanggunian (30 points); (d) Efficiency of the Performance of the Sanggunian (13 points); (e) Legislative Citations and Awards (5 points); and (f) Capacity Development for Legislators and Staff (4 points).

“The regional winners will now vie for the national legislative award. The National Award Committee (NAC) will be coming in the region and reevaluate the nomi-

nation,” PCL Regional Council Chairman Wilson Uy said in his closing remarks.

Usec Sacendoncillo, OIC - Assistant Regional Director Valente P. Bajet and PCL Regional Council Chairman Uy awarded a plaque of commendation and a cash award worth P10,000 to the regional champions in every category.

Approximately 300 participants from different LGUs, government agencies, and the DILG regional and field offices attended the said event.(PR)



## Bed capacity of Samar Provincial Hospital to increase to 300 with the groundbreaking of its new annex building

TACLOBAN CITY- More patients could now be accommodated at the Samar Provincial Hospital (SPH) in Catbalogan City.

This after the construction of the annex building that targets to accommodate about 220 patients started on Feb.11.

This was announced by Samar Governor Sharee Ann Tan who in previous interviews said that improving the delivery of health services at the SPH is one of her priority programs.

At present, SPH could accommodate at least 100 patients but with the eventual operation of its annex building, it could now accom-

modate more than 300 patients.

The annex building of the SPH could accommodate at least 220 patients, doubling its current capacity.

Tan, who is to bow out as governor of the province June of this year, has made health service as one of her administration's cornerstones.

With an increased bed capacity of the SPH, patients from the province would no longer need to go to hospitals in Tacloban City, like the Eastern Visayas Regional Medical Center (EVRMC).

Tan described the groundbreaking of the SPH-Annex as 'historic.'

Aside from the annex

building, a new outpatient building was also opened and part of the services being offered in this facility is the 'Mala-sakit Center' a one-stop shop wherein patients, especially the economically deprived, could immediately availed all their needed medical assistance to include access to medicines.

SPH, which is under the supervision of Dr. Katherine Faith Tabuan, has been undergoing improvements under the administration of Gov. Tan. (JOEY A. GABIETA)



Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) Officials led by Regional Director Senior Superintendent Renato Marcial and City Chief Inspector Joselito Sabandal called on Mayor Cristina G. Romualdez to discuss the planned construction of fire substations in the Northern part of Tacloban. The officials also discussed with Mayor Romualdez upcoming activities of the BFP for the Fire Prevention Month this March. (A. ALAMOS/CIO)

## Tacloban artist captures daughter's smile on canvas

TACLOBAN CITY- There is nothing more special than to capture a moment and hold it forever.

This is just what Dante Enage is doing when he opened his "Hiyum Art Exhibit: 9th Solo Exhibition" at Robinsons Place Tacloban Activity from February 6 to 13.

Hiyum, which means smile in the local dialect, is a contraction from Enage's 11-year-old daughter Hiraya Yumi.

"Most of the 40 paintings at the exhibit are about the environment to raise more awareness about environmental issues," said Enage, 46, a "Yolanda" survivor.

Despite the different conditions of the planet's environment brought by man's neglect and climate



change, visitors at the exhibit are more drawn to the "unadulterated lightness...playfulness of youth, of hope, and belongingness" brought by the smiles of Enage's daughter on the canvas.

"Hiyum reveals the artist's outlook on life: his love for environment and nature, his advocacy for culture in the hidden baybayin texts, and his intense love for his daughter that reflects

in each of the smiles displayed on every canvas," said Aaron JP Almadro, editor and publisher of travel/lifestyle 8 Magazine in Tacloban.

"The subject is obvious in all artworks, as Enage captures his daughter in various stages of pure joy, forever stilled in time," he added.

According to Almadro, the public need to see more exhibits like Enage's "Hiyum" to counter the hate and negativity resulting from the misuse of social media, politics, and ignorance.

While local artists continue to struggle for the lack of art space in Tacloban, Enage remains thankful that the city's art scene is still thriving. (RONALD O.REYES)

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