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With the deadline set on July 15

DepEd: Over 840,000 students enrolled in EV

GMRC measure passage may help correct the 'mistakes' of today's kids, says Rep. Noel

TACLOBAN CITY- An Waray Rep. Florencio 'Bem' Noel expressed his optimism that with the passage of the Good Manners and Right Conduct (GMRC), today's generation would be reminded the good values that were instilled and practiced by their predecessors.

President Rodrigo Duterte signed into law the GMRC of which Noel was one of the principal sponsors last June 25 under Republic Act 11476.

The said law institutionalized a comprehensive GMRC and Values Education program under the K-12 curriculum.

"We are trying to mold a person...the right and correct values," Noel said, referencing the purpose why Congress passed such a measure.

According to the solon, generation of today are so reliant to technology like gadgets that they have forgotten values and right conduct that have been practiced by the older generations.

"I am not saying that technology is that bad at all. But to me, it is partly to be blamed why today's generation no longer practice good manners and right conduct," Noel said.

He narrated that there are children that no longer talks or even prays with their parents but rather chose to play with gadgets.

Noel said that in their house, it is their practice to

leave their mobile phones while they are having their meals.

This way, they could talk and update each other's activities.

"Hopefully, the mistakes we are seeing now will be corrected (with the enactment of the law)," Noel said.

But while there is now a law regarding good manners and right conduct that will be taught to students starting this school year, Rep. Noel said that any values formation still need to start at home.

He said that parents still play a crucial role in molding their children's characters and become an upright members of the society.

"Any values formation still starts at homes. Parents have a role in shaping the characters of their children," Noel said.

(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA/
JOEY A. GABIETA)

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TACLOBAN CITY- More than 840,000 students across the region have so far been enrolled for this school year.

Jasmin Calzita, regional information officer of the Department of Education (DepEd), said that as of Monday, they have recorded 842,737 enrollment for both elementary and secondary levels.

This means, it's only around 64.21 percent com-

pared to the enrollment of last school year which was around 1.31 million students.

The last day of enrollment is on July 15. The opening of classes will be on August 24.

But Calzita said that they have not set any target

on the number of enroll-ees but instead encourages parents for their children of school ages to enroll for this school year which will be introducing a blended learning kind of system due to the pandemic caused by coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

"We don't have a quota for the enrollment. What we want is to accommodate all the learners who are interested to enroll for the school year 2020-2021. We would be happy if all would be enrolled. We need to continue to see DepEd /page 2 ...



APPEAL. Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla said that they have appealed to the National Inter-Agency Task Force to reclassify Leyte from the current General Community Quarantine to Modify General Community Quarantine saying he has the backing of all the mayors of the province. Story on Page 3.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

Gov. Evardone searches for the most vulnerable families in E. Samar

BORONGAN CITY- Eastern Samar Governor Ben Evardone, during the groundbreaking of the new capitol building said he wants to look for the most vulnerable families in all barangays in Eastern Samar.

As he spoke before the capitol employees, he talked about how

his government can materialize his mantra, "Haton probinsya, tawo iton una." (roughly translated to : In our province, people matter first.)

He tasked the Office of the Provincial Agricultural Services (OPAS), Office of the Provincial Veterinarian (OPV), and the Provincial Social Welfare and Develop-

ment (PSWDO) with the Provincial SK Federation to have an inventory of the most vulnerable families in all the barangays in the province.

The provincial government is willing to give them opportunities for development, Evardone said.

Speaking in a mix of English and the dialect,

Evardone on July 1 cited that "these are the families that do not have opportunities to travel to the capitol for the needed government assistance or intervention."

"These are the families that are uneducated (arawdon) and too shy

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Mayor Alfred Romualdez recently met with OCDRO Regional Director Lord Byron Torrecarion, DILG8 Regional Director Karl Caesar R Rimando, DILG8 OIC ARD Darwin Bibar and City Director Johannes Dorado of DILG Tacloban to share his thoughts on COVID-19.

“The mindset of the people is important. We have to see what works. Sometimes we have to change our policy during the day, twice even during the day depending on the reports that come in. Our target is still there. To minimize the spread and flatten the curve,” Mayor Romualdez said.

The officials also talked about how people should be careful during the months of November, December, and January since these are cooler months when people mostly get sick. They also discussed about the government being aware that there are fake medical certificates and travel authorities going around.

CDRRMO Head Idelbrando Bernadas also reported that his office helps CAAP with the disinfection of the airport.
(ALFRED ROMUALDEZ FACEBOOK)

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provide basic education even in the midst of pandemic,” she said.

Calzita said that due to the threat of COVID-19, this year’s enrollment appears to be ‘slow’ compare to previous enrollments.

“There are reasons why the turnout of enrolment data was slow. We are doing remote enrolment and drop box enrolment which have limitations. We have a different situation today because of the pandemic,” she said.

She also said that teachers are not required to visit villages within their areas

to enroll children for their own safety from the threat of COVID-19 pandemic.

“We are after their safety. In our learning continuity plan, top most priority is the safety of our learners and teachers. That is why are implementing distance learning through modular instruction,” Calzita said.

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to approach offices for help.”

“I want them to feel that the government is here.”

He cited Brgy. Pandol in Can-avid town, a distant barangay helped by TESDA and the provincial government under the Task Force End Local Communist Armed Conflict (TF-ELCAC), Poverty Reduction and Livelihood and Employment Cluster (PRLEC).

After TESDA trained the then NPA supporters on new skills, they travelled for four hours via motorboats through the Can-avid River to the poblacion to get their allowances, starter kits and certificates.

It was in that venue when Barangay Pandol

Punong Barangay Joy Herbon became emotional as he publicly acknowledged that it was the first time his barangay received government support.

The governor said that his government wants to reach each and every Estehanon to make them feel that they come first in his governance style.

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Amid the COVID-19 pandemic DA in the region allocates more than 80,000 bags of rice seeds worth P480 million to farmers

TACLOBAN CITY – The Department of Agriculture (DA) here in the region has allocated more than 80,000 bags of rice seeds to farmers for this cropping season.

DA-RFU 8 Regional Information Officer Francis Rosaroso told reporters that a total of 80,969 bags of rice seeds worth P480 million have already been delivered to different provinces intended for the farmers in their respective jurisdiction.

He said that the number of bags of rice seeds that were delivered to the six provinces: Leyte -47,265; Southern Leyte- 5,161; Biliran - 2,596; Samar - 12,138; Eastern Samar- 8,805; Northern Samar- 5,004.

Rosaroso added that

these rice seeds will be planted to 104,016 hectares in Eastern Visayas.

He reported that the distribution of the rice seeds to intended farmer-beneficiaries has been going on despite the prevailing quarantine restrictions in different parts of the region due to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

Rosaroso explained that the rice seeds distribution seeks to boost the nation’s food production program amidst the COVID-19 pandemic by providing the necessary seeds and fertilizer augmentation support under the Rice Resiliency Project (RRP).

He further explained that RRP is being pushed as a major component of the

AGRI-4PS program otherwise known as Plant, Plant, Plant Program of their department.

“We really admire the extra efforts given by our governors like Governor Ben Evardone of Eastern Samar; Governor Roger Espina of Biliran; Governor Damian Mercado of Southern Leyte and Governor Mic Petilla of Leyte and the rest of the local chief executives who were hands on in receiving and facilitating the distribution of the rice seeds. We also thank the provincial, city, and municipal agriculturists for going the extra miles in mobilizing their staff in this collective endeavor,” Rosaroso said. (RESTITUTO A. CAYUBIT)

Passage of GMRC into law will help address juvenile problem, says DSWD-8 head

TACLOBAN CITY – The signing into law of Republic Act 11476 or the Good Manners and Right Conduct (GMRC) and Values Education Act is timely and will help in addressing the juvenile problem in the country.

Thus said the regional director of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD-8), Maria Angela Gopalan, adding that values formation of a child has a relation to its strong family ties that could help in deterring juvenile problem.

Bringing back and teaching back GMRC and values education to primary and secondary students will help in their formative years of character and behavioral building, she added.

However, the DSWD official stressed that schools are only a secondary home in learning good moral and values formation as good character building and values formation should start from home.

“It’s a good step in

strengthening family values and reinforcing the family but we must understand that schools are second home to learn for children. They first learn from their home life,” Gopalan said.

The DSWD official said that based on the discussion they have with children-in-conflict with the law who are inside their facility, their bad family experience leads them to seek other outlets which later leads them into trouble.

The GMRC and Values Education Act was enacted into law last month when President Rodrigo Duterte signed the bill that was authored in Congress by An Waray Representative Florencio “Bem” Noel and in Senate by Senator Juan Miguel Zubiri.

The law brings back the subject in the old curriculum of basic education, the GMRC which in the new curriculum was scrapped as regular subject and integrated to other subjects.

GMRC will be taught to students from Grade 1 to 6 while values education will be taught from Grade 7 to 10 while for senior high it will be integrated in their all of their class subjects.

“If they are taught the right way, given the right values hopefully the mistakes that we are seeing now will be corrected,” Rep Noel said when asked of what will be gain from passing the law.

He added that using the law to enforce teaching good moral and values education to children is a way of informing them the proper norm that everyone must possess.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)





Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico "Mic" L. Petilla recieved face masks from Secretary Carlito Galvez Jr.,chief implementer of National Inter -Agency Task Force on COVID-19 during the consultative meeting with officials from the region.The meeting was held at the Palo Municipal Hall of Palo, Palo,Leyte. (GINA P.GEREZ)

Despite of growing COVID-19 cases

Gov. Petilla says Leyte to appeal GCQ tag to just MGCQ status

TACLOBAN CITY - The provincial government of Leyte is hoping that the National Inter-Agency Task Force (NIATF) will grant their appeal to be placed under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) instead of the current General Community Quarantine (GCQ) status.

President Rodrigo Duterte on July 1 announced that Leyte would be placed under GCQ along with Ormoc City and Southern Leyte until July 15.

Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla said that he already sent a communication to the NIATF of their request to downgrade the quarantine protocol in the province.

The request is also being supported by all the mayors of the province, Petilla said.

The governor said that they immediately sent the appeal to the NIATF after receiving a message last July 2 after they learned that the national body did not received their request of continuing the MGCQ level which the province submitted earlier to the RIATF.

"I hope that they can discuss and immediately decide (on our appeal)," he said.

Petilla added that although Leyte province has the highest number of COVID-19 patients in the region, the situation is still under control which is why MGCQ is the

proper quarantine protocol that should be imposes in the province.

He added that placing the province under MGCQ could also help in having an active economic activity.

As of July 5, of the 359 cases in Leyte, and more than 150 COVID-19 patients from 15 towns and one city there were cases of recovery among the patients infected by the virus, the governor said.

"Although we have positive cases of COVID-19 here in Leyte, we are able to manage it properly because of good implementation of the protocols by the mayors," Petilla said.

He added that he already made instructions to mayor to submit report on COVID-19 situation of their respective places to update the provincial government.

Of the 40 towns and Baybay City under the administrative control of the provincial government, only eight municipalities remain COVID-19 free.

These are the towns of San Isidro, Merida, Tunga, Mayorga, MacArthur, Javier, Mahaplag and Inopacan.

The first COVID-19 case in Leyte was recorded in Burauen town in April. Surge of cases started in the first week of June after the national government eased the quarantine protocols in Metro Manila and Cebu City allowing locally stranded individuals to return to the province.

Also in June, the re-

gional office of the Department of Health announced local transmission in two towns of the province, La Paz and Hilongos, after residents were tested positive with COVID-19 even without recent travel history nor contact with

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Leyte SP to strictly implement COVID-19 health protocols, says Loreto

TACLOBAN CITY- Leyte Vice Governor Carlo Loreto is set to sign a memorandum for the mandatory measures to prevent and control person to person transmission of Covid-19 within the legislative building.

According to Loreto, in the exigency of service, all the Leyte board members, their respective staff and all permanent, detailed, casual and job order employees are required to follow the mandatory measures to prevent and control person to person transmission of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and other infectious or contagious disease.

He added that the legislative building shall strictly



VICE GOVERNOR CARLO LORETO

ly observe a one entrance, one exit policy to be able to closely monitor the entry

and exit of human traffic and facilitate contact tracing when the need arises.

Loreto said that all persons whether employees, staff or doing business inside the legislative building shall strictly comply wearing of face mask, practice physical distancing, pass through the sanitation tent when entering, wash hands and face at the wash area. A hand drier is provided for easy drying of hands.

They also have to submit to body thermal check, log

in and log out at the security guards desk and all deliveries of food items and other goods shall be made outside of the legislative building.

Part of the measure for all the offices in the legislative building to put on UV light as another counter measure against COVID-19.

All component local government units of the province and other offices and agencies doing business with them shall submit both electronic copy together hard copy of all documents submitted to the provincial board.

Loreto recalled that sometime last April, there was a projection that the region's COVID-19 cases would reach to 4,000 with a possible 800 deaths.

However, because of intervention and protocols established by municipalities and the efforts and vigilance of every villages, the region only has 577 cases disproving the projection as of this month with three confirmed deaths due to COVID-19.

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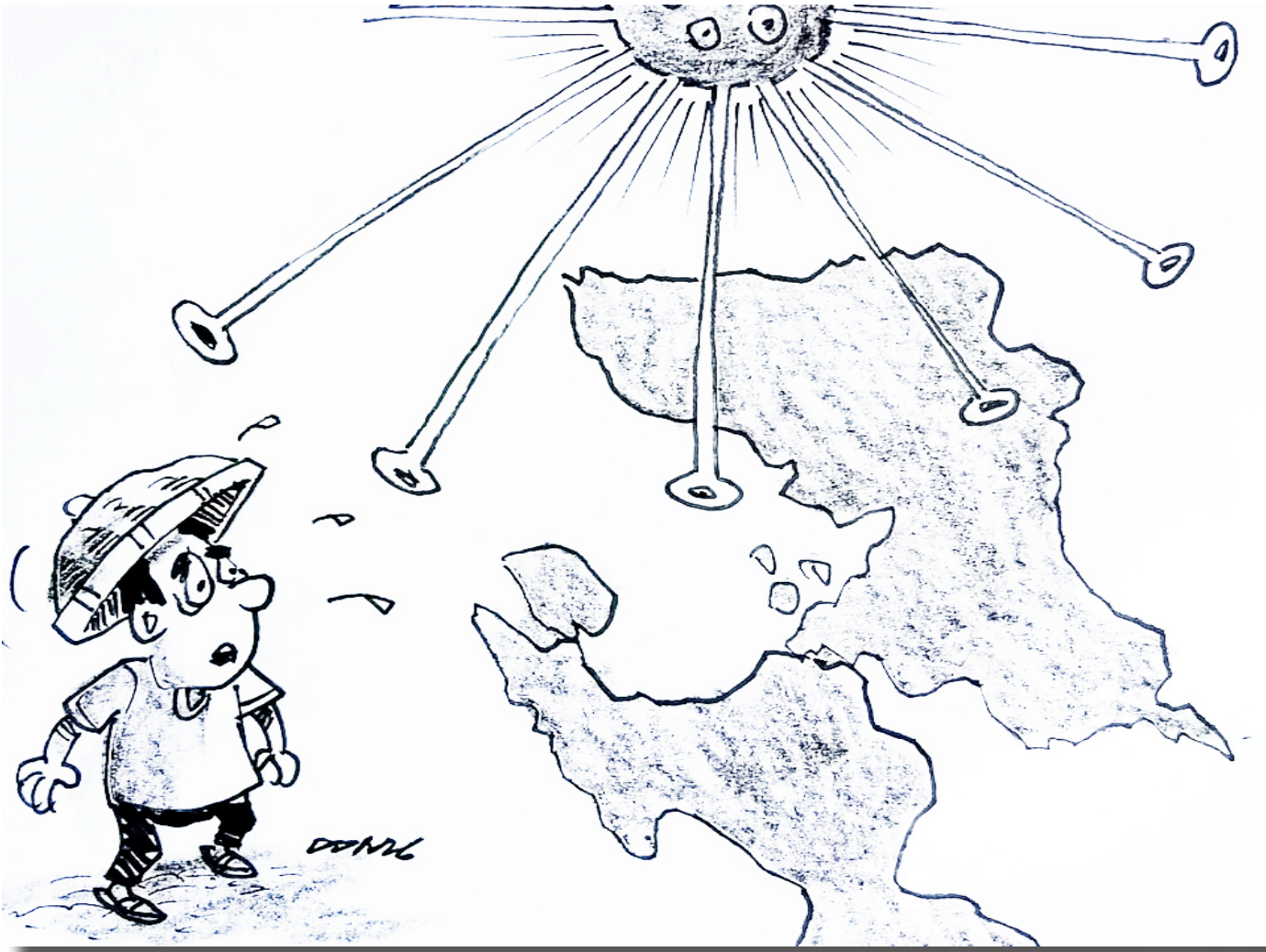
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Inevitable rise

As the country strives for normalcy after the onslaught of coronavirus, closer contacts among people from various walks of life have increased, too, and from the medical standpoint, it only means one thing—consequent increase of new COVID 19 cases as well.

There is no question that quarantines and lockdowns rightly mitigate this rise of new cases. Generally, in fact, they are the most effective remedies to keep the virus from spreading fast. As people are confined to their homes, the virus is equally contained, the contagion then limited to just indirect transmission as direct contacts are avoided.

The problem with lockdowns and quarantines is that: it’s very costly on the part of the government, that’s if the latter shoulders the people’s sustenance while in isolation. The preparation of monetary and relief goods alone is already tasking and requires

manpower, until the said items are delivered into respective homes. If, on the other hand, the government withdraws its support, the people will die of hunger.

One thing more, people under lockdowns become unproductive. They can’t do their usual work that could earn them a living. They can’t report for their jobs as most of them have lost the same, anyway. They can only resort to doing household chores, or do some house repairs. It takes wisdom and skills for some residents to be that productive, indeed, while confined at home. Some of whom engage in in-house gardening, or in online jobs.

It seems inevitable then that the virus will spread further since we cannot afford to continually effect quarantines and lockdowns. The line of defense is reduced from general to particular, which means that the fight now rests on every person by way of endlessly observing safety protocols and never forgetting them.



Things To Mind

DOMS PAGLIAWAN

A logger’s wife

Mana Kudyang, as she was fondly called by the village people, was the wife of a lagadero (logger) operating with his fellow loggers in the remaining forests of Samar after World War 2. She was hard working, and known for her extraordinary

strength as a woman.

Her husband usually spent a week or two manually cutting off huge trees and chopping these into lumber. Once a timber had been sliced into slabs, that’s the only time they would start carrying them into the plains for

marketing purposes. The food they brought with them to the forest usually ran out when work had to extend. Hence any of their family members must bring them food for the extended days.

The location where they used to find good timber was rather remote, usually in the middle of the jungle as their target trees were getting rarer near the forest outskirts. They had to hike for several hours before they could reach there. Sometimes, it took nearly a day of walking past some dangerous rock formations, gigantic trees, caves, and mountain ranges.

Such journey was what Mana Kudyang had to take every time a certain

agreed date came along and her husband was not yet home. When such a day came, Mana Kudyang, with her basket-full of root crops, left for the forest one morning.

Her cargo was heavy as she journeyed through the thick forest. It was a quiet wilderness whose silence was occasionally disturbed only by the howling monkeys, the singing birds, and the daytime crickets. Under the cover of thickets and huge trees, sunlight was hardly seen and felt, yielding forth a colder temperature, stuffing Mana Kudyang’s nostrils with the freshness of air mixed with the aroma of dead leaves and rotting
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What's New
Mr. Q?

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IT'S THE BIGGEST BREAKING NEWS! IT'S
REMDESIVIR
THE WONDER DRUG VERSUS CORONAVIRUS!
(BUT THE COST IS ANOTHER THING, (Array!))

A lot of you, dear readers learned about REMDESIVIR first in this column of this popular newspaper's issue last May 9, 2020 – over Two (2) months ago! REMDESIVIR was then a relatively experimental drug of GILEAD SCIENCES, INC. (pronounced `Gil'yad) of Foster City in California, USA, but the news was relatively “leaked” when American media practitioners learned about the positive results of the Remdesivir 5-day and 10-day dosing durations of hospitalized patients with severe manifestations of this dreaded Coronavirus.

No less than Dr. Antho-



Commentary

FR. ROY CIMAGALA

How to persevere in love

THIS is the common challenge we all face. We are good only at the beginning of love but we often cannot go very far. Yes, we savor and relish the sweet and intoxicating feelings when we fall in love. But to persevere in it? We often find ourselves failing, or at best, doddering in an erratic fashion, like an old man even if we are still young. How do we keep ourselves in love till forever? How do we keep the flame of love ever burning despite the cold and the dust that can come our way? I believe the answer is in our understanding of the very nature of love. For many of us, we understand love more as

a matter of feelings or of material, bodily or carnal attraction. Of course, it is true that in love, everything that we have and we are, are involved. The emotions and the passions play an important role. Except that in true love, we have to give the primary role to our spiritual faculties of the intelligence and the will. It's these faculties or powers that would enable us to enter into the spiritual and supernatural dimension of love. And it's in these dimensions where we can find the true source, pattern, energy and purpose of love, who in the end is God. It's in these dimensions that can make our love persevere and constantly burning

proved of the use of REMDESIVIR Anti-Virus Drug for the Covid-19 patients in their own countries. THIS IS THE GOOD NEWS. But....here's the relatively not-so-good news... The Cost of REMDESIVIR is \$390 per Vial. 390 U.S. DOLLARS. Multiply this at the relatively `prevailing' peso-dollar rate of P50 per \$1, that would be P115,000 per Remdesivir Vial. And since the length of the Remdesivir dosing is still unclear, since this would depend on the doctors' prescriptions and how severe the Covid-19 has infected specific patients, and there's this possibility (as announced on the side) of a Six (6)-dial dosage of Remdesivir per patient.... ...The cost would be quite staggering, to say the least. The 2nd not-so-good News is that wealthier countries have already made advanced purchases/payments and thus already “cornered” (even the still-to-be-produced) Remdesivir Anti-viral drugs of several pharmaceutical companies with special see Remdesivir /page 7 ... despite the ups and downs of our life, or the dizzying drama of our earthly sojourn. The love that is a participation in the love of God can take on anything. The good things would not spoil us, making us proud, conceited, vain, complacent, etc. And the bad things would neither put us down. This true love will always stay on course, just like what couples on their wedding promise to love and honor each other “for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer, in sickness and in health, until death do us part.” We have to make sure then that the spiritual and supernatural dimensions of our love are always nourished. Failing in this can only mean that we are simply indulging on a fake kind of love. This means that in spite of the busy schedule we may have, we just have to find time praying, reflecting and meditating on God's love for us and on how we can reflect that love in our daily affairs. see How to /page 7 ...



Observer

ALVIN GZ. ARPON

Lip Service

Time and again, our government never fail to pay the highest honor and homage to our modern-day heroes – our Overseas Filipino Workers (OFW) and now our medical frontliners. However, no amount of flowery words can hide the neglect, intentional or otherwise, our modern-day heroes have been subjected to. Of late, the Department of Health (DOH) in Eastern Visayas has issued an advisory that capsulizes how they “care” for the well-being of its medical frontliners. A perusal of which is nothing but a PR move to make them look good. The spread of the COVID-19 among health practitioners in EVRMC and the dilly-dally response to the threat by the hospital's administration is much to be desired. It is no surprise to hear from insiders in the hospital of widespread discontent and low morale. Back to the DOH advisory. It is laudable for them

to say that those medical personnel who have been exposed to a COVID-19 positive person or has been swabbed shall undergo a quarantine period of 14 days. In reality, those who have been swabbed and the result turned out negative are usually instructed to report immediately. Clearly, a violation of their own guidelines. They can justify that in saying that there is scarcity of personnel. So, where is the budget with the Bayanihan to Heal as One Act to hire more medical personnel. If the government can spend millions of pesos to mobilize the army and the police and their equipment to force into submission the alleged “pa-saway” and “gahig ulo” Cebuanos, surely the government can spend a portion of that to augment medical frontliners in our hospitals. After all, from what I gathered, COVID-19 pandemic is a health issue that necessitates mainly a medical re-

sponse and not a military show of force. Just to put into context how our government responds to this health issue. I know of one Janitress who failed to report to work on a Monday. The following day, she was asked to justify her having been absent. Teary eyed, she narrated that on Sunday she went to buy some items at a sari-sari store near their house. She admitted to having inadvertently forgot to wear her face mask. Police arrested her and as penalty, she was asked to do eight (8) hours of “community service” by cleaning the streets of a certain barangay for 8 hours. Not only did she endure that ordeal, she also lost a day's worth of wage. A measly amount to others but definitely one that will go a long way for this sorry janitress. One may argue that *dura lex, sed lex*. Rightly so if legal maxim has been equally applied to NCR Police Director Sinas with his mañanita incident or that of Mocha Uson with her uncalled for public gathering of returning OFWs and that of Sec. Roque's side trip to an amusement park and talking to the staff with no mask on. But that was not the case. They were even exonerated and defended by no less than the highest official of the land and/or by the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF).

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logs. As she embarked a rock covered by tree roots, something grabbed her leg and, in her jolt, she let go of the basket hanging from her arm. The dark-brown thing that soon gripped and dragged her leg upward was not immediately visible to her as it blended with the brown, decaying leaves under her, more so that she quickly resisted its pull. While locking her injured foot with a surfaced tree root, she saw the head of a huge python that was biting her leg, its body extending up to a tree branch from which it hanged, the portion towards the tail coiling around that branch. To reinforce her foot, she grabbed hold of another root and settled herself against the snake's force.

Her husband, worried about their delayed food supply, left his companions so he could get those provisions himself. It was getting late in the afternoon when he saw his wife still clinging to the tree roots as the python tried to pluck her up. He wasted no time at seeing this. He took his sharp bladed weapon and

hacked the snake's body, severing it into a bloody mess. He quickly took its head that kept on biting his wife's swollen leg, and stabbed its brain between its eyes, pinning it to the ground. His wife was still conscious but had grown too weak. He had to carry her back home on his shoulders.



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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HON. ALMA U. LAMPASA	SP Member
HON. ANTONIO G. BOLASTIG, IV	SP Member/Min. Flr. Ldr.
HON. MA. JENNY S.D. GABON	SP Member
HON. RENANTE F. AQUINO	SP Member
HON. EDWARD M. UY	SP Member/Ex-Officio Member
HON. MICHAEL IAN C. TUAZON	SP Member/Ex-Officio Member

ABSENT:
NONE

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-010

AN ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY BANNING THE SALE, DELIVERY, AND CONSUMPTION OF LIQUOR IN THE CITY OF CATBALOGAN TO PROMOTE SOCIAL DISTANCING DURING THE ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE, AND ANY EXTENSION THEREOF

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution provides that the maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy;

WHEREAS, the State shall also protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the “Local Government Code of 1991” states that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support the promotion of health and safety, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

WHEREAS, the same Code provides that the Sangguniang Panlungsod shall enact ordinances, approve resolutions and appropriate funds for the general welfare of the city and its inhabitants, and for an efficient and effective city government, maintain peace and order by enacting measures to prevent and suppress lawlessness and disorder, and adopt measures to protect the inhabitants of the city from the harmful effects of man-made or natural disasters and calamities;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod also has the power to approve ordinances which shall ensure the efficient and effective delivery of the basic services and facilities, and approve measures and adopt quarantine regulations to prevent the introduction and spread of diseases. In connection thereto, it can regulate the sale, giving away or dispensing of any intoxicating malt, vino, mixed or fermented liquors at any retail outlet;

WHEREAS, there is an emergence of a Corona Virus Infectious Disease - 2019 (COVID-19) that has been acknowledged by the global community to cause public health emergencies of international concern;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has declared COVID-19 as a pandemic;

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued Proclamation No. 922 declaring a Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-EID) issued Resolution No. 11, Series of 2020 placing the entire Country to Code Red Sublevel 2, and President Duterte approved the imposition of a Stringent Social Distancing Measures in the National Capital Region (NCR) for thirty (30) days from March 15 to April 14, 2020. The entire NCR was, likewise, placed under General Community Quarantine during the said period;

WHEREAS, in order to arrest rapid spreading of the virus, on March 16, 2020, the President declared Enhanced Community Quarantine for the entire Luzon from March 17, 2020 until April 12, 2020 and further extended until April 30, 2020;

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the City Mayor issued Executive Order No. 03-010 Declaring the City of Catbalogan under Enhanced Community Quarantine and subsequently on April 03, 2020 Executive Order No. 04-001 Series of 2020 “Executive Order Further Strengthening the Enhanced Community Quarantine Guidelines of the City and aligning the said Guidelines to Bayanihan To Heal As One Act, Republic Act No. 11469 and the latest issuances of the Department of the Interior and Local Government;

WHEREAS, as of April 8, 2020, there have been three thousand eight hundred seventy (3,870) confirmed cases of the COVID-19 in the Philippines, with five (5) confirmed cases in the Eastern Visayas. Out of these figures, one hundred eighty two (182) deaths were recorded;

WHEREAS, as per the City Health Office, the City of Catbalogan has fifty one (51) PUM (Person Under Monitoring) and two (2) PUI (Person Under Investigation) as of April 08, 2020;

WHEREAS, social distancing is the strict maintenance of a distance of at least one (1) meter radius between and among individuals, and

WHEREAS, the temporary liquor ban on selling and serving, and regulation of liquor consumption is intended to promote social distancing, and decrease person-to-person contact in order to slow down the spread of the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Catbalogan, in session assembled:

Section 1. TITLE - This Ordinance shall be known as the “Liquor Ban to Promote Social Distancing”.

Section 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY AND OBJECTIVES - The City of Catbalogan recognizes the right of every Catbaloganon to health and shall protect their life and limb from any form of danger.

This Ordinance aims to promote social distancing by banning or prohibiting the sale, delivery and consumption of alcohol, wine, beer, liquor and other intoxicating beverages during the enhanced community quarantine.

Section 3. BAN ON SELLING, DELIVERY AND CONSUMPTION OF LIQUOR - During the enhanced community quarantine of City, business establishments such as groceries, sari-sari stores, retail stores, supermarkets and similar businesses within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Catbalogan are hereby prohibited to sell or deliver alcohol, wine, beer, liquor and other intoxicating beverages to any person.

Consumption of liquor in public places is strictly prohibited. While those individuals caught violating other regulations on the implementation of Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) and assessed under the influence of alcohol, the penalty will be at its maximum or imprisonment not exceeding six (6) months or both at the discretion of the court.

Section 4. ENFORCEMENT - This Ordinance shall be primarily implemented by the personnel of the Catbalogan City Police Station, the Catbalogan Law Enforcement Auxiliary Unit, Barangay Officials and Tanod, and Civic Organizations (React Hamorawon, Kabalikot Civicom and United Kabalikot).

Section 5. PENALTIES - Any person of legal age or business entity found to have violated this Ordinance shall be penalized with a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00), or imprisonment of three (3) months, or both at the discretion of the court.

For succeeding offenses, both penalties shall be imposed. In any case, the liquor shall be confiscated by the authorities.

If the offense is committed by a corporation, partnership or other juridical entity duly organized in accordance with law, the chief executive officer, president, general manager, and/or such other officers-in-charge shall be held liable.

If the person violating is a government employee or a public official, the violation or infringement shall be a ground for the filing of an administrative case against said employee or official.

In addition, the business permit and license to operate of the concerned entity shall be suspended or cancelled after hearing. As preventive measure, immediate closure of the establishment shall be enforced pending such hearing.

Any public officer mentioned in Section 4 hereof, who shall knowingly and maliciously, prevent, prohibit, refuse, discontinue or violate the implementation of this Ordinance shall suffer the penalty of imprisonment of three (3) months and temporary suspension from public service. In addition, the public officer concerned shall be held administratively liable under applicable laws.

Section 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - If any provision of this Ordinance is determined to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, its remaining provisions shall remain in full force as though this Ordinance did not originally include such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision.

Section 7. EFFECTIVITY - This Ordinance shall take effect three (3) days after the approval of the Mayor and posting at conspicuous places and shall remain in full force and effect during the Enhanced Community Quarantine period imposed by the City Government.

APPROVED : Unanimously
ENACTED : April 20, 2020.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the herein Ordinance.

DONNA JANE C. TEVES-RUEDA, MPM
Secretary to the Sanggunian

Attested as duly ADOPTED and APPROVED:

HON. COEFREDO T. UY
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer
Date: 04-24-2020

NOTED:

HON. DEXTER M. UY
City Mayor
Date: 04-24-2020

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Samar
Catbalogan City

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

(Excerpt taken from the Minutes of the Regular Session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, Catbalogan City, held at Cocina de Cabral, Catbalogan City, on April 20, 2020 at 11:00 A.M.)

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT:

HON. COEFREDO T. UY	City Vice Mayor/Pres. Officer
HON. STEPHANY UY-TAN	SP Member/ Asst. Maj. Flr. Ldr.
HON. JOSEPHINE B. PESCOS	SP Member
HON. VICENTE ESTEBAN N. DACAYNOS	SP Member
HON. MELANIE L. MACABARE	SP Member
HON. BEETHOVEN M. BERMEO	SP Member / Maj. Flr. Ldr.
HON. JOHN JAMES I. HONRALES	SP Member
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HON. MICHAEL IAN C. TUAZON	SP Member / Ex-Officio Member

ABSENT:
NONE

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-011

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING ANY PERSON FROM COMMITTING ANY ACT WHICH CAUSES STIGMA, DISGRACE, SHAME, HUMILIATION, HARASSMENT OR OTHERWISE DISCRIMINATING AGAINST A PERSON INFECTED, UNDER MONITORING OR INVESTIGATION DUE TO COVID-19 VIRUS INCLUDING PRIVATE AND PUBLIC DOCTORS, NURSES, HEALTH WORKERS, EMERGENCY PERSONNEL AND VOLUNTEERS, SERVICE WORKERS WHO ARE ASSIGNED TO HOSPITALS AND OTHER CENTERS WHERE THESE PERSONS ARE BEING TREATED, AND OTHER FRONT LINERS, AND IMPOSING THE APPROPRIATE PENALTIES THEREIN, HEREIN OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “ANTI-COVID 19 DISCRIMINATION ORDINANCE OF 2020”

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, President Rodrigo Duterte issued Proclamation No. 922, declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (Covid-19) and the Code Alert System for Covid-19 was raised to Code Red Sub-Level Two (2) in accordance with the recommendation of Department Health (DOH) and the Inter-Agency Task Force for Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF). Further, Presidential Proclamation No. 929, Series of 2020 was issued declaring a State of Calamity throughout the Philippines due to Covid-19.

WHEREAS, as of April 20,2020, there have been six thousand two hundred fifty nine confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the Philippines, and out of these figures, four hundred nine (409) deaths were recorded;

WHEREAS, since the emergence of COVID-19 we have seen instances of public stigmatization among persons who have contracted the disease including PUIS and PUMs, and the rise of harmful stereotypes. This means that people are being labelled, stereotyped, separated and/or experience loss of statue and discrimination because of potential negative affiliation with the disease. Stigmatization could drive people to hide the illness to avoid discrimination or prevent people from seeking health care immediately and discourage them from adopting healthy behaviors;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) recently warned the public against discrimination against persons reported to have contracted COVID-19 as well as PUIs, PUMs including health workers and emergency workers who are among those in the front lines of the battle against the rapidly spreading COVID-19: The DOH stated “that with the world confronted with a virus with information known, it is human to be afraid. But we must not allow hysteria and paranoia to result in irrational treatment of people”;

WHEREAS, there have been several reported incidents of people being evicted out of their residences or after having recovered from the illness were prevented from returning back to their residences, while some were even doused with water and were refused services in eateries or transportations over fears of infection: some were shunned by local stores, boarding houses, and even their own barangays and homes. Several false and inaccurate social media posts even circulated online spreading names of people alleged to have been infected with COVID-19 and urging the recipients to check if they had contact with those listed;

WHEREAS, considering the gravity of the situation there is an urgent need to combat this pervasive stigmatization on the basis of one’s medical condition; There is a need for the City to bring normalcy and order amidst the crisis, and protect its constituency from unjust discrimination brought on by fear and panic by public;

WHEREAS, it is at this trying times, families who are affected by this pandemic suffer severe anxiety and social humiliation. Hence, it is the policy of the City Government of Catbalogan to act as parens patri during this times by showing compassion, empathy and tolerance towards it affected constituents as this virus can infect any person regardless of race, age, sex or social standing. Only through a united front, strengthened by our religious conviction can we fight and end this pandemic;

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution under Article III, Section 1 provides that every person has the right to life, liberty, security of the person and privacy and the right to be free from discrimination. Furthermore, under Section 11 thereof, the States values the dignity of every person and guarantees full respect for human rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it ordained by the City Council of Catbalogan, in session assembled, that:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE – This Ordinance shall be known as “Anti-Covid-19 Discrimination Ordinance of 2020”

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

Suspect Case – is a person who is presenting with any of the conditions below;

- a. All Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI) cases where NO other etiology fully explains the clinical presentation.
- b. Influenza like Illness (ILI) cases with any one of the following:

- i. With no other etiology that fully explains the clinical presentation and a history of travel to or residence in an area that reported local transmission of COVID-19 disease during the 14 days prior to symptom onset OR
- ii. With contact to a confirmed or probable case of COVID 19 in the two days prior to onset of illness of the probable/ confirmed COVID 19 case until the time the probable/confirmed COVID 19 case became negative on repeat testing.
- c. Individuals with fever or cough or shortness of breath or other respiratory signs or symptoms fulfilling anyone of the following conditions:

- i. Aged 60 years and above;
- ii. With a comorbidity;
- iii. Assessed as having a high-risk pregnancy, and
- iv. Health worker

Probable case – a suspect case who fulfills anyone of the following listed below:

- a. Suspect case whom testing for COVID 19 is inconclusive
- b. Suspect who tested positive for COVID 19 but whose test was not conducted in a national or subnational reference laboratory or officially accredited laboratory for COVID 19 confirmatory testing.

Confirmed case – any individual, irrespective of presence or absence of clinical signs and symptoms, who was laboratory confirmed for COVID 19 in a test conducted at the national reference laboratory, a subnational reference laboratory, and/or DOH-certified laboratory testing facility.

Health workers are those who deliver care and services to the sick and ailing. Either directly or indirectly. Health workers include, among others, doctors, nurses, hospital and clinic aides, and laboratory technicians.

Frontliners include officers and members of the PNP, BFP, BJMP, AFP, PCG and instrumentalities of the government rendering emergency frontline service, boarder control and other critical services. Frontliners also include Barangay Officials, Employees, Tanods and Volunteers; Civic Organizations (React Hamorawon, Kabalikot Civicom and United Kabalikot) and service workers who are working in private establishments providing basic necessities and such activities related to food and medicine production, i.e public markets, supermarkets, groceries, convenience stores, hospitals, medical clinics, pharmacies and drug stores. Food preparation and delivery services, water-refilling stations, manufacturing and processing plants of basic food products and medicines, banks, money transfer services, power, energy, telecommunications and water supplies and other related facilities.

SEC. 3. UNLAWFUL ACTS. – It shall be unlawful for any person, whether natural or juridical, to commit any act or make utterances which cause or tend to cause stigma, disgrace, shame, humiliation, harassment or otherwise discriminating against a person infected, under investigation or monitoring due to Covid-19, health worker or frontliner as defined under this Ordinance.

If any public officer refuses or fails to give assistance to a person infected under investigation or monitoring due to Covid-19, health worker or frontliner who intends to return to his place of residence or domicile after obtaining clearance of the Covid-19 infection from the proper health officials, he/she shall be equally liable under this section.

Any person who shall publicly claim, post on social media, spread or announce that a person or his/her family member is infected, is under investigation or monitoring due to Covid-19 whether or not the same has been confirmed or validated from the list given by authorized proper health officials, agency or department, shall also be liable under this section.

If the person violating is a public officer, the penalty imposed shall be in its maximum and can be also be a ground for filing of an administrative case against said official. EXCEPT when the patient concerned waived his/her right to privacy and for purposes or contact tracing and other medical purposes.

SEC. 4. PENALTIES. – Any person caught in violation of Section 3 hereof shall be fined with five thousand pesos (PhP. 5,000.00) or imprisonment not exceeding six (6) months or both at the discretion of the court. If the offender is public officer, the maximum penalty herein shall be imposed

Juridical Person – if committed by a juridical person: the President, General Manager, Corporate Secretary or person with related interest in the Corporation or Partnership or Association shall be held liable or penalized accordingly.

SEC. 5 ENFORCEMENT. This Ordinance shall be primarily implemented by the Catbalogan City Police Station personnel to be assisted by following authorities; a.) Catbalogan Law Enforcement Auxiliary Unit, b.) Barangay Officials and Tanods, c.) Civic Organizations (React Hamorawon, Kabalikot Civicon, United Kablikat).

SECTION 6. PUBLIC INFORMATION POLICY. This Ordinance shall be posted in the City Hall, in every barangay o this city, police headquarters and public places. Additionally, an extensive public information drive shall be conducted by all implementing agencies of the policy for its observance and proper implementation.

SEC. 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If, for any reason or reasons any part or provisions of this Ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof, which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SEC. 8. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect three (3) days after the approval of the Mayor and posting at conspicuous places and shall remain in full force and effect during the Community Quarantine period imposed by the City Government.

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How to... ...from Page 5

Because of the spiritual and supernatural character of the love proper to us, we need to avail of the sacraments, especially the Holy Eucharist, where Christ

Remdesivir... ...from Page 5 permits to manufacture & bottle these drugs.

So the Remdesivir Anti-Covid Drugs would be available commercially (to the public) by September at the earliest!

That is – for those who can afford the \$390 or P115,000 per vial Anti-Coronavirus Remdesivir treatment.

Then, as gathered by this Columnist’s research staff, the Chinese company BrightGene Bio-Medical Technology announced last February, “that they had been approved to produce Remdesivir.”

Chinese researchers at the Wuhan Institute of Virology also announced

himself offers his own self and the whole range of his redemptive mission to us.

We have to understand that we have to love God and others the way Christ himself loves us. Remember that new commandment he gave us: “Love one another as I have

an arrangement for the special use of Remdesivir as treatment for Covid-19.

Now, was this the reason why no less than our controversial but popular President Rodrigo Roa Duterte announced that “the Chinese government is just about ready to help the Philippines with a new Anti-Coronavirus treatment?”

Ano kaya? Will the Anti-Coronavirus drugs from China be much cheaper eventually than the announced \$390 per Vial as printed above? When will these Chinese Anti-Coronavirus drugs be available? How soon?

Again, let’s end this column with my usual “Abangan ang Susunod na Kabanata!”

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late PABLO AGURA extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over parcel of land located at Brgy. Cagsalaosao, Calbayog District, Calbayog City, Samar designated as Lot No. 5910 covered by TD No. 99-01022-00061 containing an area of 9,625 square meters. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of LITO J. CAPEĐING as vendee of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 2494, Page No. 99, Book No. 352, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Ma. Rowena L. Urut. *LSDE: June 23, 30 & July 7, 2020*

DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION OF ESTATE WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that TERESITA DEAN, heir of the late SANTIAGO CABER executed an Affidavit of Adjudication over a parcel of land located at Brgy. San Policarpo, Calbayog City denominated as Cad Lot No. 6465 under TD No. 9901017-00034 containing an area of 19,993 square meters. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of FREDERICK ANTHONY G. RESENTE as vendee of the of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 4575, Page No. 15. Book No. 357. Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Ma. Rowena L. Urut. *LSDE: June 23, 30 & July 7, 2020*

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION BY SURVIVING HEIR WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that ANA BELEN G. MAGA and MARIA ISABEL G. MAGA, heirs of the late CIRILO MAGA executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication over conjugal property situated at Brgy. Ipil I, Palompon, Leyte designated as Lot 913-L2, Lot 913-J-I approved subdivision plan, Csd-08-006909-D with an area of 300 square meters covered by Tax Declaration No. 08-31006-00129 R13. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of SPS. JOSEPH M. ANTONIO and CHERLYN I. ANTONIO as vendee of a portion of Lot 913-J-I, Csd-08-006909-D measuring an area of 150 sq.m., more or less from the above-described property. Per Doc No. 525, Page No. 106, Book No. 31, Series of 2017. Notary Public Atty. Dante Luz N. Viacrucis. *LSDE: June 23, 30 & July 7, 2020*

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late JOSE R. DYCOCO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 1639 located at Mahaplag, Leyte covered by TCT No. T-4222 containing an area of 19,302 square meters, more or less. Per Doc No. 119, Page No. 54, Book No. XI, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Aluino O. Ala. *LSDE: July 7, 14 & 21, 2020*

AMENDED EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE HEIRS OF THE LATE ANDRONICO AVELLANA MARRIED TO PETIFLORA IBONA WITH PARTITION OF AGREEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late ANDRONICO AVELLANA married to PETIFLORA IBONA extrajudicially amended, settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land known as Lot 531 situated at Baybay, Leyte containing a total area of 747 square meters, more or less covered by TCT No. T-5429. Per Doc No. 89, Page No. 18, Book No. LXXXVII, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Joseph Cernel M. Bandalan. *LSDE: July 7, 14 & 21, 2020*

AMENDED EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION OF THE ESTATE OF THE HEIRS OF CLOTILDE AVELLANA WITH CONFIRMATION OF SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CLOTILDE AVELLANA extrajudicially amended, settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 5 parcels of land described as; 1) A 1/9 share of a parcel of land known as Lot 4902 situated at Brgy. Igang, Baybay, Leyte containing an area of 3,396 square meters, more or less; 2) A 1/9 share of a parcel of land known as Lot 4897 situated at Brgy. Igang, Baybay, Leyte containing an area of 3,856 square meters, more or less; 3) A 1/10 share of a parcel of land known as Lot 4899 situated at Brgy. Igang, Baybay, Leyte containing an area of 21,308 square meters, more or less; 4) A 1/9 share of a parcel of land known as Lot 4898 situated at Brgy. Igang, Baybay, Leyte containing an area of 2,651 square meters, more or less; 5) A 1/10 share of a parcel of land known as Lot 531 situated at 30 Diciembre St., Zone 11 Baybay, Leyte containing an area of 747 square meters, more or less covered by TCT-T 5429 and heirs hereby CONFIRMED AND AFFIRMED of a portion of a parcel of land known as Lot 531 covered by TCT No. T-5429 that the area sold is 54.7 sq.m., while on the approved subdivision plan contains an area of 44 square meters. Per Doc No. 90, Page No. 18, Book No. LXXXVII, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Joseph Cernel M. Bandalan. *LSDE: July 7, 14 & 21, 2020*

AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUDICATION BY SOLE HEIR WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that RONALLY CALDA DILAO, heir of the late ALVARO V. CALDA & SALLY A. VIÑAS executed an Affidavit of Adjudication over a parcel of land designated as Lot 2-F-1 of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-276980 being a portion of Lot 2-F, Psd 10232, LRC Cad Rec. No. 1060 with a building standing thereon situated at Brgy. Marasbaras, Tacloban City under TCT No. T-19357 containing an area of 196 square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of MA. ANGLO ACOL INSON as vendee of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 495, Page No. 99, Book No. XIV, Series of 2019. Notary Public Atty. Arturo D. Macabasag. *LSDE: July 7, 14 & 21, 2020*

loved you.” (Jn 13,34)

We have to see to it that all throughout the day, we can truly say that we are loving others the way Christ is loving us, following his example and empowered by his own grace.

For this, we need to avail of certain practices that will sustain not only the presence of Christ in our mind, but also his active and constant interventions in our life. Yes, in the end, we truly have to learn to be contemplatives even while we are immersed in the things of the world.

There has to be a plan of spiritual practices of piety that is adapted to our particular condition and circumstances. We may have to seek advice from those who have been practicing these acts of piety and who are truly giving us good example of how love is that is based on one’s sharing in God’s love.

This definitely will also require the proper formation and training, since this lifestyle would not just come to us automatically. In fact, it will require a lot of effort and discipline!

AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUDICATION BY SOLE HEIR

NOTICE is hereby given that JOSE E. DUPAY, heir of the late PACIENCIA ESTRADA DUPAY executed an Affidavit of Adjudication over a parcel of registered land designated as Lot 2906, Bogo Cadastre situated at Brgy. Cabuynan, Tanauan, Leyte with an area of 13,495 square meters with OCT No. P-58290 and TD No. 08-38-020-00862 R13. Per Doc No. 328, Page No. 67, Book No. IV, Series of 2019. Notary Public Atty. April Lynn L. Ursal. *LSDE: July 7, 14 & 21, 2020*

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE AMADO RAMOS PALAÑA WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby is given that heirs of the late AMADO RAMOS PALAÑA extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as portion of Lot 4388-B-2-C-5-A situated at Brgy. San Isidro, Tacloban City, Leyte containing an area of 200 square meters under TCT No. 122-2016000017. A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of JENNY G. STIRLING married to IAN JAMES STIRLING as vendee of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 442, Page No. 90, Book No. XII, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Giovanne C. Taboada. *LSDE: June 30, July 7 & 14, 2020*

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH CONFIRMATION OF SALE OF A PARCEL OF LAND

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late GIL L. VIOJAN extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 1/2 conjugal share over a certain parcel of land situated at Brgy. Rizal, Calbayog City, Samar designated as Lot No. 3533. Cad-422, Case 9 containing an area of 30,135 square meters, more or less covered by TCT No. 6517 and TD No. 99-01033-00359 and heirs hereby CONFIRM that the whole of the above parcel of land was sold to ANTONIO YRIGON ORTIZ married to NOEMI FRANCISCO ORTIZ. Per Doc No. 427, Page No. 87, Book No. XLI. Notary Public Atty. Aileen Reyes Maglana. *LSDE: June 23, 30 & July 7, 2020*

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Leyte
Municipality of Tanauan
OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
Date: July 6, 2020
CCE-0005-2020 R.A. 10172

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 Guidelines in the implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1, series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that ANALYN JARA RAMADILLA, has filed with this office a petition for correction of entry in sex from “**MALE**” to “**FEMALE**” in the certificate of live birth of ASHLEY JARA RAMADILLA who was born 3 February 2003 at Tanauan, Leyte and whose parents are Analyn Badion Jara and Nestor Bibar Ramadilla.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file written opposition with this office.

(Sgd.) FRANCISCO C. SALVAÑA, JR.
Municipal Civil Registrar
LSDE: July 7 & 14, 2020

DPWH in Leyte’s second district builds P42.4 million multi-purpose buildings in 3 villages



Ongoing construction of a multi-purpose building in Barangay Hindang, Julita Leyte in the amount of P7 million.

CARIGARA, Leyte – Eight multi-purpose buildings in three barangays were constructed by the Department of Public Works and Highways-Leyte Second District Engineering Office aim to have a conducive facility for community activities.

Among these are the completed projects worth P3 million in Barangay San Roque in Tunga; and P8

million each in Brgy. West Visoria and Brgy Candiga-hub, both in Carigara town.

“We still have five multi-purpose building projects that are on-going and are nearing its completion. These include the P5 million worth for Brgy. Sta. Cruz in Mayorga, P7 million each for Brgy. Libas in Buraen and Brgy. Hindang in Julita, and P7.5 million for Brgy. Barugohay Sur and P5 million for Brgy. San Isidro in Carigara,” said District Engineer Gerald Pacanan.

“These projects can also be used as quarantine fa-

cilities in support to the fight of the government against the coronavirus pandemic, and so we are now fast-tracking the implementation of these projects,” he added.

The buildings are structurally designed to withstand typhoons and other natural disasters to ensure safety of the residents when used as an evacuation center.

All projects were funded under the DPWH 2020 Regular Infrastructure Program. **(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)**

DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE WITH EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late JUAN PERPINAN namely LOURDES S. PERPIÑAN, EVELYN S. PERPIÑAN, LEVI S. PERPIÑAN, RAUL S. PERPIÑAN, JEAN S. PERPIÑAN, MISAE L. PERPIÑAN, ELIAS S. PERPIÑAN, MARILYN P. DACLAN AND GINA PERPIÑAN executed a Deed of Absolute Sale in favor of JANICE NEW VILLAMOR-LIN married to HUA LIANG LIN over a parcel of land designated as Lot 3999-A, Csd 08-008477-D situated at Brgy. 104, Salvacion, Tacloban City containing an area of 25,260 square meters, more or less minus the Road right of way equivalent to 2,135 sq.m., covered with OCT No. P-783. Per Doc No. 235, Page No. Book No. Series of 2017. Notary Public Atty. Cesar E. Lee. *LSDE: July 7, 14 & 21, 2020*

AMENDED DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF REAL ESTATE WITH WAIVER AND QUITCLAIM

NOTICE is hereby given that SPS. AGAPITO MENDOZA and EMPERATRIZ MENDOZA extrajudicially amended, settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 2 parcels of real properties all located at Brgy. Olot, Tolosa, Leyte described as: 1) A parcel of agricultural land designated as Cad Lot No. 379 covered by TD No. 00100 containing an area of 1.1867.96 hectares, more or less; 2) A parcel of agricultural land designated as Lot No. 1217 covered by TD No. 0121 containing an area of 0.4208 hectares and heirs hereby WAIVED all shares, interest and participation over the above described 2 parcels of land in favor of their brother, ROLANDO S. MENDOZA, JR. Per Doc No. 392, Page No. 80, Book No. 15, Series of 2019. Notary Public Atty. Isagani S. Espada. *LSDE: June 23, 30, July 7, 2020*

Republic of the Philippines
Office of the Civil Registrar
Tacloban City
NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
In compliance to Section 5 of R.A. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that JOEVANNIE A. LEQUIN has filed with this (Complete name of petitioner)
Office a petition for change of first name from SHAJED to JOEVANNIE in the Birth (First name to be changed) (New first name to be adopted)
Certificate of SHAJED ALBERCA LEQUIN who was born on **AUGUST 22, 1978** at **Tacloban City** and whose parents are NORA ACUIN ALBERCA and MARIO ANDANAR LEQUIN.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **July 15, 2020**.

(Sgd.) IMELDA A. ROA
City Civil Registrar
LSDE: June 30 & July 7, 2020

Despite order of the DOH, Leyte mayors to continue swab testing on returning individuals

TACLOBAN CITY – The local government units in Leyte province has option to have returning residents be tested for COVID-19.

This was clarified by Barugo Mayor Ma. Rosario Avestruz, who is also the spokesperson of the League of the Municipalities of the Philippines-Leyte Chapter.

Avestruz was reacting to the advisory of the regional office of the Department of Health (DOH) mandating that only symptomatic returning residents will undergo swab sample gathering for the RT-PCR confirmatory test.

The DOH also stated that repeat swab is also no longer necessary at the end of the 14-day quarantine of the symptomatic person.

The advisory stated that “due to global shortage of testing kits and other supplies, and limitation of local capacity for testing, there is a need to rationalize available tests and prioritize patients or healthcare workers with severe or critical symptoms and those who are considered who belongs to the vulnerable group.

Asymptomatic Covid-19 patients will only have to undergo 14-days quarantine.

“We will still follow our LMP (League of the Municipalities of the Philippines) protocol wherein all returning residents will have to undergo RT-PCR test because we just wanted to be safe,” Mayor Avestruz said.

Avestruz said that mayors in the province have always a choice to send swab samples to the Divine Word University Hospital Virology Laboratory for confirmatory testing if the Eastern Visayas Regional COVID-19 Testing Center is not available.

LMP Leyte Chapter had enter into a memorandum of agreement with the DWU Hospital management under the Integrated Leyte Protection protocol for the COVID-19 confirmatory testing in their facility.

Avestruz added that although they know that testing is not a cure of the dreaded ailment but not knowing who among the returning residents are infected with corona virus is too risky which is why it is



MAYOR MA. ROSARIO AVESTRUZ

necessary for the mayors to have them tested once they arrived at their respective hometowns even if they are required to be confined at their quarantine facility for 14 days.

“Having a private COVID-19 testing laboratory in the region is really a good decision because it gives us an option where to have confirmatory test,” Avestruz added.

For his part, Leyte Vice Governor Carlo Loreto

emphasized that following policies and protocols being imposed by the DOH will always be followed by the provincial government.

However, officials in the provincial government together with the mayors have agreed that they will go beyond the policies and protocols of the health agency.

“This make that every person in Leyte protected,” Loreto said.

He added that the provincial government is proud of how mayors handled cases in their respective areas because they are able to contain the possible spread of the disease.

“Depending on the decision of the mayors, there are areas which go beyond the 14-day quarantine and extend it to 21 days to ensure that infected persons are free from the virus and their residents are safe from being infected,” Loreto said.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

Gov. Petilla...

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COVID-19 positive patients.

Majority of COVID-19 cases in Leyte are in Baybay City (32), Bato (27), Alangalang (22), Palo (21), and La Paz (16, Dagami

(12), Matalom (10), and San Miguel (10)

Other towns with reported cases are Burauen (8), Tolosa (7), Leyte (6); Tanauan, Abuyog, Dulag, Barugo and Palompon with five cases; Hilongos and Tabon-tabon with four; three cases in the towns of Calubian, Pastra-

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- ✓ Psoriasis
- ✓ Migraine Headache
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- ✓ Alzheimer's Disease
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- ✓ Fatigue
- ✓ Infertility
- ✓ Depression/Anxiety
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- ✓ Alzheimer's Disease
- ✓ Dementia
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- ✓ Autoimmune Disease
- ✓ Varicose Veins

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In Northern Samar LGU executives must deliver their annual report, says residents

CATARMAN, Northern Samar- All the mayors of this province should deliver their 'state of the municipal address' as a way of informing their respective constituents of their accomplishments during their first year in office.

This was the appeal of some people of this province who also want to see Governor Edwin Ongchuan to deliver his state of the province address.

According to them, it is now essential for governor and the mayors to directly inform their people on what they are doing, especially now that the province, just like the rest of the country and the world, is grappling the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic.

These executives need not to be told of their obligation to make a report because they are elected by the people and are spending their money in the form of taxes, they said.

“Leaders who are responsible should voluntarily do it without being told,” said a retired government employee who asked not to be identified.

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