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# Region's number of death now at 46 DOH reports 4 deaths

due to COVID-19

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TACLOBAN CITY- The number of deaths due to coronavirus disease (COVID-19) here in the region has rose to 46 as the Department of Health (DOH) has announced on Friday (Oct.2) four new deaths relative to the infection.

region due to COVID-19 involved a 36-year old man from Mapanas town in Northern Samar;a 75-year old man from La Paz town, Leyte; a 78-year old woman from Palo,Leyte; and a 67-year old woman from Tacloban City.

All three died on Sept.30 and have lingering illnesses, the DOH said.

The three were buried hours after their death in consonance to

The four deaths of the the protocols on burying a COVID-19 patient.

> While the towns of Palo, Mapanas, which have four COVID-19 cases, and La Paz, which have 25 cases, posted their first COVID-19 deaths, Tacloban City has logged its 12th deaths.

> Tacloban, in all, has 768 COVID-19 of which 100 are said to be of active cas-

> > As of Friday, the DOH see DOH /page 9 ...



Local government units in Eastern Visayas will be closing their respective cemeteries during All Saints and All Souls Days as another measure to prevent spread of the coronavirus disease. Photo shows the Tacloban Catholic public cemetery which will be closed starting on October 29 until November 4. (story on page 3). (RYE AYON)

# For the entire month of October Alfred issues executive order placing Tacloban under General **Community Quarantine status**

TACLOBAN CITY -Mayor Alfred Romualdez has issued an executive order placing the entire city under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) for the entire month of Octo-

The issuance of Executive Order 2020-09-040 issued by Romualdez on Thursday (Oct.1) was in consonance with the recommendation of the National Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging and Infectious Diseases (NIATF) placing Tacloban under GCQ.

"Being in a GCQ status will give us some elbow room to move, if we have to adjust now with some of our protocols and policies," the city mayor said.



Under EO 2020-09-040, the minimum health protocol standards such as wearing of face masks, face shields while riding public transportation and inside any establishments, and observed physical distancing are required to prevent the spread of the coronavirus

disease (COVID-19).

The mandatory use of OR codes shall continue to take effect for those who are entering establishments in the city and entering the border control

Movements of all persons are also limited to accessing essential goods and services, and for work in offices and industries

permitted to operate, while leisure are still prohibited.

Curfew from 9 pm until 4 am will still remain in effect except for those who are workers going home from offices and industries permitted to operate. Those

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# Amid the COVID-19 pandemic This year's Leyte Gulf Landings will be simple, no crowd gathering, says Gov. Petilla

For the first time of its storied annual celebrations, this year's 76th Leyte Gulf Landings anniversary program will be devoid of any high-profile activities.

And in fact, the entire MacArthur Landing Memorial National Park located in Barangay Candahug, Palo town, where the an-

TACLOBAN CITY - nual Oct. 20 event is being held, might be placed under lockdown, Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla

> The drastic move is to ensure that big crowd would be avoided during the annual commemorative program as mass gathering of people is still prohibited as the province is still un-

der a General Community Quarantine (GCQ) amid the pandemic caused by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

"We may even lockdown the area on that day so make sure that there will be no crowd gathering," Petilla said.

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This year's 76th anniversary of the Leyte Gulf Landings on Oct.20 will be far different from previous years as there will be no crowd, no World War II veterans, and with simple rites, says Gov. Leopoldo Dominico Petilla.



Women at the resettlement site located at the Kawayan Ville are assured of their food needs as they join a farming workshop initiated by the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) .

# 'Green Revolution' continues at the Tacloban City North

T A C L O B A N CITY-Mothers and grand-mothers from Kawayan Ville who are now on their 2nd week of the 16-week farming workshop conducted by Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR-8) learned the steps in seedling preparation.

Despite the rains, these women, with the help of some youth from the community, worked in the field and prepared cucumber, patola, squash, watermel-

Oñate, who is reportedly

the owner of the DBSN

located in Barangay Tinag-an in Albuera town,

is being charged by some

concerned individuals as

they sought for a writ of

environmental protec-

tion order, clean-up, res-

toration, rehabilitation

of the affected environ-

ment with prayer for a

temporary environmen-

tal protection order.

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(DBSN)

on, upo, and sweet pepper seedlings to be spread in 27 plots next week. According to Romy Del-

mo, focal person, DAR-8, the participants are lucky to be a part of a season-long training wherein they are being thoroughly introduced to the whole duration of the vegetable production, from the land preparation until the harvest time. It is the same training being taught at the Farmer Field School, says Delmo.

Amidst the pandemic, these women leave their homes to work in the field every day to learn, nurture, and grow vegetables together to achieve food security and become assets in the community.

They are happy learning and working together in the field because it builds their bond stronger as a community, says Emelita Olvez, leader of the women gardeners. (TACLOBAN CITY INFORMATION OFFICE)

# Family, friends appeal for help over murdered teen, uncle in Calbayog City

TACLOBAN CITY-Family and friends have appealed for help to solve the killing of 17-year-old student Zyrus Miguel Quilantang and his uncle in Calbayog City.

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The young Quilantang was on board the vehicle driven by his 51-year-old uncle, Orlando Quilantang, when an unidentified motor-riding gunman attacked them along Barangay Hamorawon in the said city on the evening of September 23, 2020.

His uncle died on the spot while the teenager was rushed to the hospital after sustaining gunshot wounds, police said.

On September 26, the young Quilantang died due to the bullets that were lodged in his head.

"There is no sense in promoting the beauty of Calbayog City if young, in-



The families and relatives of Zyrus Miguel Quilantang and his uncle, Orlando, are seeking justice for their murder. The two were shot dead by still unidentified assailants while on board vehicle in Calbayog City last Sept. 23. (Photo Courtesy)

nocent lives are caught in senseless acts of violence," read a statement from Calbayog Tourism Facebook page which condemned the incident.

"He doesn't deserve to have his life and dreams to be taken away. We call upon the authorities to put an end to these acts which undermine the natural beauty and wonder of Calbayog. The acts of a few lawless el-

ements affect not just tourism, but the reputation of the city and its people as a whole," it added.

Friends of the young Quilantang also set up a crowdfunding drive for the "settlement of his medical expenses as well as funeral expenses."

Calbayog police are investigating the incident. (RONALD O. REYES)

# Ex-NPA member shot dead by alleged rebel members in Samar town

TACLOBAN CITY-A former member of the New People's Army (NP) who has surrendered to the folds of the law was killed reportedly by the rebels in Matu-

guinao, Samar on Monday (Sept.28) morning. The victim, Carlos Diaz,

50, was shot multiple times by about eight rebels hitting him on the different parts of his body by the rebels while he was tending his farm in Barangay Nagpapacao in the said town at about 7:30 in the morning.

He was the fifth former rebel from the region said to have been killed by the NPA.

Lt. Col. Jasper Justito Pecson, the commanding officer of the 19th Infantry Battalion, said that Diaz surrendered to the government last August,2018 and has since lived with his family in the said village.

"The New People's Army is doing atrocities in order to instill fear among their former members and supporters and even kill people in the communities who

contradict their propaganda," he said in a statement.

Major Gen.Pio Diñoso III, the commanding officer of the 8th Infantry Division based in Catbalogan City, Samar, condemned the NPA for killing one of their former comrades who returned to the folds of law.

"We will make the communist NPA terrorists (CNTs) and their supporters accountable for the actions of their members who deprived their former NPA members to live peacefully with their loved ones," he said in a statement.

He also appealed to the Commission on Human Rights and human rights advocates to 'condemn and take action for the lives of the victims who were mercilessly murdered.'

(RONALD O. REYES)

# PALOMPON, LeyteThe vice mayor of this town who owns a dressing plant is in hot water after a complaint was filed against him for his alleged environment violations. Vice Mayor Ramon

Leyte vice mayor faces alleged

environmental violations complaint

The operation of a dressing plant located in Albuera, Leyte, reportedly owned by Palompon Vice Mayor Ramon Oñate, is being questioned due to alleged violations on environmental protection. *Photo: DBSN Farms* 

leged violations of Oñate on Section 27 and 28 of the Republic Act 9275 (Clean Water Act 2004) for exceedance of the Department of Environment

and Natural Resources (DENR) standards for wastewater parameter (oil and grease; operating without a valid wastewater discharge permit and

permit to operate air pollution source and control installation; for exceedance of the DENR standards for wastewater pasee Leyte /page 10 ...

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The complaint also al-

# **Cemeteries across the** region to be closed from Oct. 29 to Nov. 4

TACLOBAN All public and private cemeteries here in the city and in other parts of the region will be closed starting on October 29 to November 4 for those who will visit with their departed loved ones during the All Saints and All Souls Days on November 1 and 2.

This was disclosed by City Mayor Alfred Romualdez as contained under an executive order he issued on Thursday (Oct.1).

However, despite of the closure of the cemeteries and memorial parks, burial will still be allowed within this period as stated under EO 2020-09-040,

Also, starting October 24, the number of visitors who would be allowed to enter the cemeteries would be at 50 percent of their capacity to ensure social distancing would be

Personnel from the Tacloban City Police Office and the Traffic Operations Management Enforcement and Control Office (Tomeco) are tasked to regulate the number of persons entering the cemeteries and their compliance to health protocols including the enforcement of QR code for proper identification.

The prohibition to close the cemeteries is part of the measures of the government which bars any mass gathering to ensure that the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) would be contain.

In Ormoc City, Mayor Richard Gomez said that starting October 30 until November 3, the cemeteries will be closed to avoid any possible spread of COVID-19.

Those who want to visit their departed loves ones can do so before October

30 and after Nov.3, Gomez said.

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But those who will have to bury their loved ones during the days that the cemeteries are closed, however, can do so but should follow all the health proto-

In Abuyog town, Leyte province, the cemeteries there would be closed also from Oct.30 to Nov.3, town Mayor Lemuel Gin Traya ordered.

The locals are allowed to visit their departed loved ones from October 1 until 29 while non-residents of the town are to be allowed to visit from Nov.4 onwards,

Eastern Samar Governor Ben Evardone also said that the province will also follow the directive of the national inter-agency task force closing temporarily the cemeteries to avoid possible spread of COVID-19. (ROEL T. AMAZONA)



Lt. Emille L. Garcia, officer-in-charge trainor team of the Philippine military examinations based in Baguio City visited Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico 'Mic' Petilla at his office at Government Center, Candahug, Palo last Sept.17. Also present during the courtesy call was Master Sgt. Isidro Sanchez .(GINA P. GEREZ)

# **Prohibition until Oct.14** LSIs ban to return to Samar and in 2 Leyte towns

TACLOBAN CITY-For 15 days, locally stranded individuals (LSIs) will be barred from returning to Samar province and in the municipalities of Barugo in Leyte province and Bontoc in Southern Leyte.

This after the Regional Inter-Agency Force on Emerging and Infectious Diseases (RI-ATF) and the Regional Task Force on COVID-19(RTF) approved a joint resolution on September 30 approving the request of these local government

The moratorium will take effect from September 30 until October 14.

These local government units have made a request to bar the return of the LSIs to address the 'surge' of COVID-19 cas-

LSIs were said to have contributed to the spike of COVID-19 in these areas.

The regional task forces, in agreeing to the request of these local government units, this would allow health workers and frontliners 'to recuperate for the incessant COVID-19 operations.

In the case of Samar, it was said that more than half of its COVID-19 cases involves LSIs. Currently, the province has 1,655 COVID-19 cases.

Meantime, Bontoc Mayor Jane Ruales, who chairs the municipal anti-agency task force, said that they have to made the request as the 'untimely arrival and overwhelming influx of LSIs have caused both physical and mental fatigue to our frontliners

which in some instances, compromise their safety.'

"This 15 days suspension is intended to ensure the safety of our LSIs and frontliners and to give time as well to our working personnel to conduct necessary assessment to all our quarantine facilities," she said.

At present, there are 68 LSIs in the town who are at the quarantine facilities. Bontoc has, at present, 17 confirmed COVID-19 cases with one death.

Meantime, the town of Barugo has also sought for the moratorium citing similar reason as their quarantine facilities are fully occupied with LSIs.

The town has 48 LSIs who were infected with COVID-19.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

# Mayor Romualdez lifted liquor ban in Tacloban City

TACLOBAN CITY-Starting on Thursday (Oct.1), the liquor ban imposed by the city government here will be lift-

However, City Mayor Alfred Romualdez clarified that drinking in public will still be prohibited.

The city mayor said that those who want to buy liquor can consume it right inside the confinement of their homes.

"You can now buy (liquor) but you have to drink it inside your homes," Romualdez said in a press conference.

He stressed that those who will be found to be drinking the liquor in public or outside their homes could be arrested by the village watchmen (barangay tanods) and by the city police force.

Romualdez also said that restaurants and bars are still prohibited to sell liquor as this could result to gathering of people and in turn, more infection of the coronavirus disease

(COVID-19).

And if this happen, 'we'll be back to square one," the city mayor said.

Romualdez has imposed liquor ban across the city since August 22 until Sept.30 as a way to avoid further spread of the coronavirus.

Tacloban has placed by the National Inter-Agency Task Force under General Community Quarantine for the entire month of October.

Romualdez said that the city government is doing its best to address the COVID-19 pandemic in the city as he gave credit to all frontliners who are risking their own safety.

"We are doing all these things just to protect you," he said, referring to the health measures the city government has put into effect to control further spread of the virus in the

He reiterated his appeal to the public to continue to practice and observe all the health protocols that could

result for the reduction, if not eradicated, COVID-19 cases of Tacloban.

At present, the city has 751 confirmed COVID-19 cases with 11 deaths, all with lingering illnesses. The city has currently 128 active cases.

(JOEY A. GABIETA)

# Military mulling of filing cases against NPA, Anakpawis for recruiting minors

TACLOBAN CITY -The military is building a case against the New People's Army (NPA) and those who recruited a 14-year old teenage girl who was rescued in the aftermath of an encounter in Kananga town, Leyte last Sept.13.

This was disclosed by Col. Perfecto Peñaredondo, chief of staff of the 8th Infantry Division based in Catbalogan City.

"We are building cases and witnesses para ito ay ma file at maprosecute,"

Colonel Perfecto Peňaredondo, 8th Infantry Division, Chief of Staff said.

He, however, declined to say what possible case or cases they would file against the rebels and the alleged recruiter of the teenage girl.

But he assured the public that they are serious in filing the case or cases against them to ensure that justice would be serve to the girl and her family.

Peñaredondo also said that they are everything they can that the rebel the government troops group could not recruit minors to their folds.

"We are doing our best effort to prevent the youth from recruitment by engaging the community and preventing this kind of activity" he said.

The 14-year old was rescued by the military forces after they engaged in armed fight with the members of the NPA in Barangay Rizal, Kananga town.

Two rebel members were also captured by

belonging to the 93rd Infantry Battalion based in Kananga town.

The girl claimed that she was recruited by Anakpawis, a cause oriented group that has been described by the government as a front of the communist group.

This alleged 'red tagging' has been repeatedly denied by Anakpawis.

Another 15-year old girl was also rescued by the military after the

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# **OPINION**



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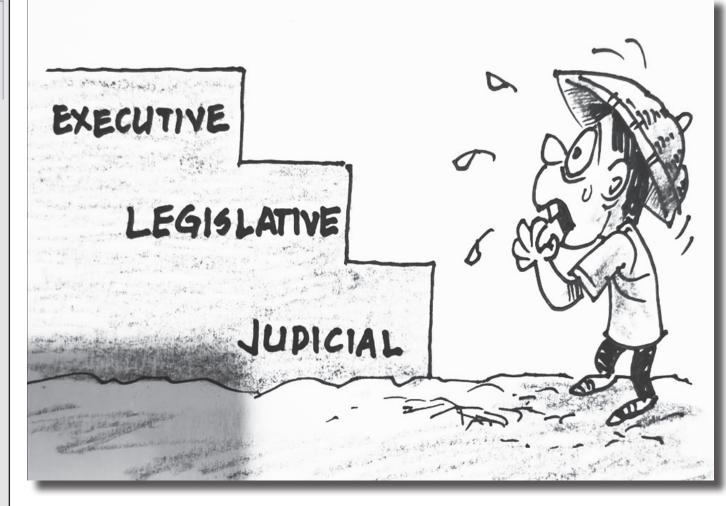
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# Is there still separation of powers?



functioning democracy of a country there are three branches of government: the Executive, the Legislative and the Judiciary. The President heads the Executive

Department; the Legislative, Senate President and Speaker of the House and the Supreme Court heads the Judiciary. The three have specific functions - the Executive executes the laws passed by the Legislative and the Judiciary interprets the law.

We are wondering why the House of Representatives appears to be a stamping pad of the Executive. The House of Representatives is led now by Speaker Allan Peter Cayetano, a choice of members of the House of Representative, but because of a "gentleman's agreement" he signed with Congressman Lord Allan Velasco, Cayetano will step down on a scheduled date in Octo-

Majority of the members of the House of Representative – some 202 of them have signed a manifesto for Speaker Cayetano to hold on to the position up to 2022 - election year.

President Rodrigo Duterte ruled that Speaker Cayetano and Congressman Velasco should honor the "gentlemen's agreement" between the two.

Is it correct for the head of the Executive Department to rule on who should occupy the Speakership?



# **Revamp - Abolish PHILHEALTH** says President Duterte

President Duterte has finally expressed his desire to go back to private life with still 2 years remaining to serve the presidency. It is the aftermath of his frustration and failure to stop graft and corruption in government. He wanted that PhilHealth Insurance Corporation to be abolished.

Well **PHILHEALTH** does not have the monopoly of such an ugly description - of being a corrupt -laden agency. Graft and corruption is all over the land. The national leadership appears; it lacks the ability and conviction to stop it.

The official family appears also to have weak convictions to stop this graft and corruption in their agency - or are they to end in October and part of the conspiracy?

-oOo-

Flashback: In the inaugural address of President Duterte four years ago he strongly emphasized the eradication of graft and corruption in government to include the complete eradication of the illegal drug menace of the land. Four years after, these two still exist. And China is one of the big sources of illegal drugs that come to our land.

-oOo-

The Speaker of the House issue is bothersome. The House of Representatives is now deliberating on

our 2021 national budget - the lifeblood of the nation. Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano is to serve the Speakership for 15 months Congressman Lord Allan Velasco of Marinduque to take over - using the Magellan discovery date of the Philippines; 1521, as their guide.

President **Duterte** urged both to follow their gentleman's agreement. So Speaker Cayetano tendered his resignation as Speaker this week - but Congressmen did not approve of it and they want Speaker Cayetano to serve the Speakership up to 2022, election time. **Openly the Congressmen** defied the presidential wish. So, anu na ba, Mr. **President?** 

# OPINION



# **Welcome Taclobanons** & Visitors!

But please lang, pag-register anay

called "palusot arrivals" --

visitors to Tacloban, who

walked from Barangay

Pawing in Palo (through

beaches and wading in

knee-deep sea water) and

eventually arrived in San

Babatngon and arrived in

Barangay Tagpuro (Taclo-

ban na!), walking through

rice fields, coconut trees

and no-so-thick forests,

just to avoid checkpoints

and eventually arrive in

Tacloban, and of course,

days when Coronavirus

cases somehow "erupted"

and health authorities

claim that most of the

Covid-19 infections came

from this unregistered or

as this Columnist eventu-

ally found out was this --

upon arrival of these "pa-

lusots" in their respective

localities, with many LSIs

-- Local Stranded Individ-

uals from Manila, who still

had some left-over money

given by DSWD and Lo-

cal Government Units in

Metro Manila, naturally

they came up with some

celebration drinks (main-

ly tuba with somsoman)

with neighbors, relatives,

social or preventive dis-

tancing thrown out the

and

drinking sessions using

one glass (panmarayaw

ngan hinamog na) where

everyone drank from,

most of those in these

"celebrations" got infect-

ed, isolated and some

even ended in hospitals.

Romualdez declared in a

news conference, many of

those infected had simi-

lar family names; mean-

ing, they got infected with

coronavirus during these

family or neighborhood

And, as Mayor Alfred

several

window,

And as expected, with

friends and hangers-on.

The main reason pa la,

"palusot arrivals."

Well, these were the

blend with the crowds.

walked from

Bagahupi

Jose, Tacloban.

Others

Barangay

I believe this is a acceptable interpretation of City Hall's invitation to all Taclobanons as well as visitors -- for them to come to Tacloban, the regional center in the Eastern Visayas Region.

Yep, this is the City where people from Leyte, Samar and Biliran can shop for their needs, go to their favorite malls like Robinsons, Gaisano & Primark, visit regional offices of national departments, transact business in the many banks and financial institutions, visit hospitals and consult topnotch doctors, eat at Jollibee, McDonalds or Chow King and so so many other things in Tacloban City, which is the business & trade center in the region.

But again, as the subtitle above demands, City hall has a reminder to all Taclobanons returning home for a visit, or "pag-uli" na for good, as well as visitors too --To please lang, Pag-Register anay please.

And so, these logical questions naturally follow -- Cay'ano nga nagiba? Amo na ba liwat ini yana? Di ba stricto an pagca-canhi ha Tacloban dida han naglabay nga mga bulan? Cay'ano nga "WELCOME TACLO-BANONS & VISITORS, PLEASE LANG, BUT PAG-REGISTER ANAY PLEASE." Why?

Well, let me give you a little background that I know of ...

Remember the time weeks and months back, and the so-called 'frontliners' manning the check points were quite strict with new arrivals.?

Well, unknown to many, because a lot of these arrivals were denied entry into the City, there were many so"celebrations."

# Enter Tacloban City Hall **Directives**

And so, what happened? Tacloban City Mayor Alfred, alarmed by the sudden surge in the number of Covid-19 cases and asymptomatics, banned the sale (and even buying) liquor in the city, until the end of September, as an immediate counter-measure.

So, within days, mainly due to City Hall's order, the number of Coronavirus infections somehow dwindled down.

And now, with Mayor Romualdez's issuance of an Executive Order extending GCQ or General Community Quarantine in the city, effect October 1st, which allows drinking liquor, but only inside homes & residences, with the corresponding ban on drinking liquor in bars, restaurants, beerhouses and 'videokehan"..."

Ano daw la it mahahanabo? Ano daw la it masunod? Ada, abangan ang susunod na kabana-



# Never again

In many Facebook accounts, you could have read just recently the above phrase serving as the title of this article never again. This was supposed to mark, or commemorate, those despicable dark years in our country's history when former President Ferdiand Marcos declared Martial Law.

Never again. An expression of resolve, of resistance, of condemnation. Beyond social media, demonstrations with similar outcry were held in some parts of the country, mostly participated

in by organizations identified with the left combined with the so-called yellows. "Never again!" they shouted. Never again to abuses, tyranny, and many other things that they associate with that imposition of Martial Law.

Martial Law years, according to history and media accounts, were indeed bloody. Narratives about inhuman torture, beastly rape-slays, warrantless arrests, and many such like abuses abound. Reading those accounts could make anyone's blood boil, and the

And shouting to the top of one's voice: "Never again!" Well, that we cannot control. Whether or not Martial Law is declared also depends on our cooperation as citizens. The law has provisions for it, depending on the peace and order situa-

next thing one might

do is to join those street

protesters in condemn-

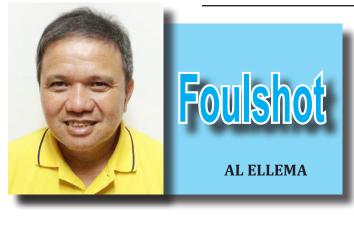
ing that bloody history.

tion in society. No matter how united people are in shouting it out—never again—if the situations call for it, it could be declared once again.

That Marcos declared Martial Law in his time is something justifiable, given the situations nationwide prior to its imposition. In fact, it was something that its haters deserved. They asked for it, they got it. Surely, it was not imposed unnecessarily, as many critics tried to make it appear. No president in his sane state would declare it unless of course he has evil intentions in mind. But that declaration was provoked, almost solicited. Despite its enemies' defiance and provocations, it was not imposed right away until all alternative solutions were exhausted. That declaration, then, was some sort of a last recourse.

Think of how chaotic society was prior to its declaration, and how the government's enemies had tried and exhausted the president's patience. Four years (1968-1972) of terrorist activities nationwide had passed before Martial Law was declared. Bombings here and there were carried out by activists and insurgents. Vandalism, raids, ambushes, assassinations, massacres, arson, and bombings of vital government and private

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# **Sidings**

This basketball republic is again in a frenzy as the National Basketball Association (NBA) bubble is filled with air of expectations from expectant spectators all over the globe. Since the start of the NBA Finals playoffs, basketball fanatics are looking to a tight series that could go the distance. The teams are in top form both going into the finals and sans injuries, basketball fans are going to enjoy good games amid the covid19 pandemic. The odds appear in great heat as Filipino fans take sides with what they claim as their fellow citizen in Fil-Am Eric, the bench tactician that is respected even by opposing teams. But the fanatic followers of the purple in gold team of the demised great Black Mamba are consistently rooting for their own

team led by Lebron James.

As many countries are caught in strict restrictions due to the covid19 pandemic, basketball fans had resorted to cable television and social media to watch the games. The coverage done by local television stations are missed by spectators as existing television channels are not reachable in remote places where there are no signal. There may be radio stations in the various regions but seldom are covering sports events even as large prestigious and competitive as the NBA. Local media outlets do not usually cover sports events in their regular programming and even if there are eager spectators that follow the NBA, there are not much commercial sponsors to support the coverage.

The best option where people can enjoy watching the NBA games is on the social media platform facebook. It is accessible to many who are connected to the internet. Inasmuch as many people are equipped with gadgets that are portable and may be carried to places where internet connection is strong, the games could easily be accessed even using prepaid data. This is why people are having good entertainment amid quarantine restrictions due to covid19. There are those who pick teams for friendly bets to raise the excitement while watching the games even from different locations online.

Seldom are people who watch the game with neutral objectivity akin to judges in court battles. Indeed,

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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

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

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) Plan International, Inc. Visayas Program Area Tacloban City



#### INVITATION TO APPLY FOR ELIGIBILITY AND TO BID

1. Plan International Inc through its Bidding Committee wishes to receive application from prospective suppliers to apply for eligibility and if found eligible, to bid and provide and deliver to Plan with required various school supplies.

Name of Project	Sound System for Bandilyo
Location	Plan International VSC Lot 126ZA-2-A-2, Sandy Lane Subd., Barangay 77 Marasbaras, Tacloban City
Duration of the Project	Two (2) Months

- 2. Prospective bidders must have the key personnel, various audio electronic supplies and generator set available for the implementation of the project.
- The Committee will use non-Discretionary "pass/fail" criteria in the Eligibility Check/Screening as well as the Preliminary Examination of Bids and it will conduct post evaluation of bids.
- Due to urgency of the project, please consider the following schedule.

	ACTIVITIES	Date & Time	Place
a.)	Deadline for Submission from prospective bidders of Letter of	October 5, 2020 Monday at exactly	
	Intent	10:00 AM	Plan International Inc.
b.)	Receipt of Eligibility Requirements (original or notarized Certified	October 5, 2020 Monday at exactly	Visayas Support Center
	True Copy)	10:00 AM	Lot 126ZA-2-A-2
c.)	Pre-bidding Conference and issuance of Bid documents (can be	October 5, 2020 (2:00 PM)	Sandylane Subd., Brgy. 77
	through online platform – MS Teams)		Marasbaras Tacloban City
d.)	Opening of Bids	October 9, 2020 (2:00 PM)	

- 5. Interested suppliers are required to submit a Letter of Intent together with the following valid and/or unexpired Eligibility Requirements either original or Certified True copy to the Committee at the said address
- LATEST DTI PERMIT/ SEC REG
- LATEST BUSINESS/MAYOR'S PERMIT
- LATEST INCOME TAX RETURN
- AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT BY AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR
- CERTIFICATE OF GOOD DEPOSIT AND CREDIT STANDING FROM A REPUTABLE BANK
- BIR 2303
- SSS CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION
- h.) LIST OF CLIENTS WITH SIMILAR PROJECTS

They may also obtain the results of the Eligibility Check by the Committee at the same address.

- The Committee will issue Bidding documents only to bidders declared by the Committee to be eligible for the bidding upon payment of a non-refundable amount of Php500.00.
- Blacklisted contractor by PLAN need not submit their Pre-qualification documents.
- Authorized Representative must have a notarized Special Power of Attorney
- No subcontracting/subletting
- 10. Plan International reserves the right to accept or reject any bids and to cancel the bidding at any time prior to award of the contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders or any obligations to inform the affected bidders of the reasons for employer's action

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For more information on Plan International and its programs in the Philippines, please visit our website: www.plan-international.org. Our selection policies and procedures ensure our commitment to gender equality and keeping children safe

For further details please refer to:

### Emeterio B. Ramos, Jr.

Logistics and Procurement Supervisor Plan International - Visayas Support Center Lot 126ZA-2-A-2, Sandy Lane Subd., Barangay 77 Marasbaras, Tacloban City Tel no: (053) 888-3004

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late OSCAR NEE DONES extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over parcels of land described as:1) A parcel of land, situated at Poblacion, Catbalogan, City with TD ARP No. 01-0004-00128, PIN No. 229-01-0004-080, having an area of 92.0000 square meter and with an assessed value of Php230,000.00; **2)** Parcel of Agricultural land, situated at Kiwalo, Daraga, Albay, with TD No. 2017-04-0029-00070, PIN No. 0310402901312, having an area of .2812 square meters/25Fbt and assessed at Php650.00; 3) Parcel of land, situated at Prieto Diaz, Sorsogon city with TD/ARP No. 2014-13-0012-007-20, having an area of 98 square meters and assessed at Php9,702.00; 4) Parcel of land, situated at Pangpang, Sorsogon City, with TD ARP No. 2011-03-0013-07095, PIN No. 189-03-0013-055-05, having an area of 130.00 square meters, assessed value of Php15,600.00; **5)** Parcel of land, situated at Penafrancia, Daraga, Albay, with TD No. 2017-04-0042-00693, PIN No. 0310404202465, having an area of 0.1618 square meters, with assessed value of Php2,260.00; 6) Parcel of land, situated at Bascaran, Daraga, Albay, with TD No. 2002-010-1844, PIN 0310401003110, having an area of .1097 square meters with assessed value of Php3,720.00. 7) Residential build ing, located at Brgy. 0043, Maulong, Catbalogan City, with TD ARP No. 01-0043-014-94, PIN No. 229-01-0043-01-067-1022, having an area of 33.0000 with an assessed value of Php80,300.00; **8)** Residencial/commercial building located at Brgy. 04, Poblacion, Catbalogan City, Samar with TD ARP No. 01-0004-00129, PIN No. 229-01-0004-02-02-080-10, having an area of 84.4200/168.8400, with an assessed value of Php744,790.00; **9)** Parcel of agricultural land, situated at Penafrancia, Daraga, Albay, with TD No. 2002-010-1846, PIN No. 0310401003112, having an area of 3086 square meters with an assessed value of Php10,470.00, This settlement except the bank balance of and Savings and Joint account with RCBC, per Doc. No. 710, Page No. 142, Book No. I, Series of 2020 of Notary Public Atty. Alma Uy-Lampasa. LSDE: September 26, October 3 & 10, 2020

RA Form No. 10.1 (LCRO)

LSDE: Sept. 26 & October 3, 2020

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

# NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. Act. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that

**ARNULFO KAYUBIT CAPONGCOL** has filed with this (Complete Name of the Petitioner)

Office a Petition for Correction of date of birth from **April 24, 1961** to **March 6, 1961** in the birth (Date of birth to be Changed) (Date of birth to be Adopted)

certificate of **ARNOLFO CAYOBIT CAPONGCOL** who was (Complete Name of Document Owner)

born on **April 24, 1961** at **Dulag, Leyte** and whose

parents are <u>Inocencio Capongcol</u> and <u>Tarcila Cayobit</u>

(Name of Father)

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this office not later than October 12, 2020.

> (Sgd.) JESUSA R. DE PAZ Municipal Civil Registrar

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT** WITH SALE

NOTICES

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late AMADO UY, extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, Lot 2 of the sub plan, Psd-107405, being a portion of Lot 2480-E-3-A, situated at Brgy. Utap, Tacloban City, Leyte, under TCT No. T-17657, containing an area of 500 square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was ecxecuted in favor of JASON U. KO married to YXARA GEM D. KO and JONHSON U. KO married to MICHELLE D. KO, as vendees for the above-described property including that of the conjugal share thereon of the surviving wife; per Doc. No. 9, Page No. 3, Book No. V, Series of 2020 of Notary Public Atty Roselle Go Gerena.

LSDE: September 26, October 3 & 10, 2020

# **AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION WITH SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that FELICI-DAD B. JUSTIMBASTE, sole heir of the late Valentina Lobrigo-Banadora, executed an affidavit of adjudication over a parcel of agricultural land, coveredby OCT No. 17292, situated at Brgy. Sawahon, Dagami, Leyte, identified as Cad Lot No. 208, containing an area of 22,476 square meters, covered by TAX DEC. NO. 08-12-0059-00082. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of NATIONAL HOUSING AUTHOR-ITY (NHA) represented by its General Manager, MARCELINO P. ESCALADA. JR. as vendee for the above-described property: per Doc. No. 138, Page No. 29, Book No. XX. Series of 2020 of Notary Public ATTY DARWIN M BAYOTAS

LSDE: September 26, October 3 & 10, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late PERFECTO R. PINDOT extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural land situated at Brgy. A. Bonofacio, Mayorga. Leyte designated as Cad Lot No. 2878 with TD No. 08-28-004-00101 with an area of 1.0199 hectares and heirs do hereby WAIVED all rights, interest and participation of the above-described property in favor of our co-heir, LUCIA P. BYNUM. Per Doc No. 523, Page No. 108, Book No. 8, Series of 2018. Notary Public Atty. Vicente Canas. LSDE: Sept. 19, 26 & Oct. 3, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late DAMASO ANDALES extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 5 parcels of land particularly described as; 1) Residential Lot 697, Cad 519-D located at Brgy. Ipil II, Palompon, Leyte with an area of 182sq.m., covered by OCT No. P-96532 and TD No. 08-31007-00203 R13; 2) Lot No. 3066 located at Brgy. Masaba, Matag-ob, Leyte with an area of 12.8267 hectares covered by TD No. 08-260013-00007 R13 and OCT No. P-10656; 3) Lot 1223 located at Brgy. Sta. Rosa, Matag-ob, Leyte with an area of 1.1476sq.m., covered by TD No. 08-26020-00006 R13; 4) Lot No. 1233 located at Brgy. Sta. Rosa, Matag-ob, Leyte with an area of 709sq.m., covered by TD No. 08-26020-00007; 5) located at San Vicente, Matag-ob, Leyte with an area of 6.5000 hectares covered by TD No. 08-26019-00008 R13. Per Doc No. 245, Page No. 50, Book No. 45, Series of 2019. Notary Public Atty. Dante Luz Viacrucis. LSDE: Sept. 19, 26 & Oct. 3, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION WITH SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that BEATRIZ ANDRADE, heir of the late FELIPE AN- $DRADE\ JR.\ executed\ an\ affidavit\ of\ Adjudication\ \ over\ a\ parcel\ of\ agricultural\ land,\ located$ at Del Carmen, Dulag, Leyte, under Tax Dec. No. 9913025-00015, Cad Lot No. 2301, ontaining an area of 1.0666 square meters, more or less, assessed value of P8,980. The aboved named propertry was acquired by way of Absolute Sale from Macaria Omawas. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of BEATRIZ M. CARPINA and GUILLERMO G. CARPINA as vendee for the above-described property, per Doc. No. 176, Page No. 38, Book No. 143, Series of 2006 of Notary Public Atty. Crizalda Adonis-Balayan. LSDE: September 26, October 3 & 10, 2020

RA No. 9048 Form No. 10.1 (LCRO)

Republic of the Philippines Local Civil Registry Office Province: Eastern Samar Municipality: Hernani

# NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the Public that JONA CANDIDO CAMPOSANO has filed with this (Complete Name of Petitioner)

Office a Petition for Change of Sex/Gender from \_\_\_ to <u>FEMALE</u> in the birth certificate (Gender to be Adopted)

of **JONA CANDIDO CAMPOSANO** who was born (Complete Name of Document Owner)

DEC. 6, 1993 at HERNANI, EASTERN SAMAR and (Place of Birth) (Complete date of birth)

whose parents are ANTONIO G. CAMPOSANO and  $(Name\ of\ father)$ 

**SONIA C. CANDIDO.** 

(Name of Mother)

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this office not later than October 12, 2020.

> (Sgd.) CHARITO ABERIA Municipal Civil Registrar

LSDE: Sept. 26 & Oct. 3, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS GERONIMO ROMAWAK AND JOSEFA BABIANO ROMAWAK extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot 153 Case 1, Cad 842-D with OCT No. P-90229 containing an area of 485sq.m., situated at Veloso St., Brgy. Libtong, San Miguel, Leyte. A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of SPS. JULAIN C. LESIGUES, JR. AND MARCIANA C. LESIGUES as vendees of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 502, Page No. 102, Book No. I, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Justine Joy Lantajo. LSDE: September 26, October 3 & 10, 2020

# **DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late WILIHADO E. BALO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, including the improvement found therein designated as Lot No. 7364 located at Palo, Leyte with an area of 43,697sq.m., under OCT No. P-41440. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of SPS. SAMUEL C. NGO AND MARY CHRISTINE L. NGO as vendees of a portion of land consisting of 7,197sq.m and now designated as Lot 7364-C-1 of the subdivision plan, PSD-08-042459-D from the above-described property. Per Doc No. 285, Page No. 58, Book No. XVI, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Enrico D. Asis, CPA. LSDE: September 26, October 3 & 10, 2020

### **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late AURELIO I. APOLONIO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land covered by TCT No. 116-2018000484 denominated as Lot No. 1755, Pls 766-D situated at Brgy. Tinampo, Palapag, Northern Samar containing an area 59,685 square meters, more or less. Per Doc No. 177 Page No. 36, Book No. XXVI, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Fernando Abella, CPA LSDE: September 26, October 3 & 10, 2020

# **DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SUSANA VALLE, namely: Charlie Raagas Valle and Joseph Raagas Valle extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, Lot No. 72, portion of Lot 2320D, Psd-74888, situated in the City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, covered by TCT No. T-13120, containing an area of 240 square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of DOMINADOR TA BONTABON JR as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 215, Page No. 43, Book No. IV, Series of 2020 of Notary Public Atty Crispin Simoun P. Cercado. LSDE: September 26, October 3 & 10, 2020

## **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late ROMULO ADVINCULA TIU extra-judicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land covered by TCT No. TP-9858 and TD No. 08-19-016-00115 R13 containing an area of 112,572 square meter more or less situated at Brgy. Magsaysay, Javier, Leyte. Per Doc No. 469, Page No. 94, Book No. 47, Series of 2019. Notary Public Atty. Daniel E. Pen LSDE: Sept. 19, 26 & Oct. 3, 2020

> Republic of the Philippines Local Civil Registry Office Province of Northern Samar Municipality of Catarman

# NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

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 No. RA 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that EDGIN BUSA SOMODOY has filed with this office a petition for correction of entry in sex from "MALE" to "FEMALE" in her certificate of live birth and whose parents are EDUARDO J. SOMODOY & GINA A. BUSA

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than (10) days after this publication.

> (Sgd.) DARWIN B. BEROS Municipal Civil Registrar

LSDE: Sept. 26 & Oct. 3, 2020

Republic of the Philippines Province of Leyte Municipality of Tanauan OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR

# NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In Compliance with Section 5 of R.A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that ASUNCION BINGCO DASMARIÑAS-PAQUIBOT has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name from "MA. ASUNCION PRAXEDES" to "ASUNCION" in the birth certificate of MA. ASUNCION PRAXEDES DASMARIÑAS, who was born on 21 JULY 1952 at Tanauan, Leyte, and whose parents are FELIPA BENGCO and

MARCELINO DASMARIÑAS.

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

> (Sgd.) FRANCISCO C. SALVAÑA, JR. Municipal Civil Registrar

LSDE: Sept. 26 & October 3, 2020

EIGHTEENTH (18TH) DIVISION CA-G.R. SP NO. 12778 GRACE

**RODRIGUEZ-YU** Petitioners,

-versus-

REGIONAL COURT OF TACLO-BAN CITY, BRANCH 34. REGISTER OF DEEDS OF TACLO-BAN CITY, LEYTE, **FERNANDO SUDARIO** AND ANALIZA CABI-DOG-SUDARIO, SPS. REDENTO T. ASENSI AND ROSEMINDA C. ASENSI AND MARIE ELENA M. UDTUHAN

Respondents.

# ALIAS SUMMONS

TO: SPS. REDENTO T. ASEN-SI AND ROSEMINDA C. ASENSI -reg.w/rc. Respondents

Brgy. 71 Naga-naga 6500 Tacloban City

GREETINGS:

Per this Court's Resolution dated June 4, 2019, the Court resolved to give due course the Petition for Annulment of Judgment filed by petitioner and order for the issuance of summons to be served upon the respondents. Accordingly, a Summons has been issued pursuant thereto.

On February 20, 2020, the Court partially granted petitioner's Motion for Leave for Issuance of Alias Summons and to Serve by Publication and directing the undersigned Division Clerk of Court to furnish petitioner a copy of Alias Summons, and for petitioner to cause the publication of the Alias Summons in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Leyte and City of Tacloban for three (3) consecutive weeks.

Pursuant to the Court's Resolution dated February 20, 2020, Sps. Redento T. Asensi and Roseminda C. Asensi are hereby REQUIRED, within fifteen (15) days from notice, to FILE and SERVE your Answer to the Petition for the Annulment of Judgment (copy attached). If you fail to do so, judgment be default shall be taken against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

March 10, 2020. Very Truly Yours, (Sgd.) ATTY. ACE VICTOR F. RISMA **Division Clerk of Court** Copy furnished:

The Hon. Presiding Judgereg.w/rc.

RTC-Branch 34 Bulwagan ng Katarungan Magsaysay Blvd., 6500 Tacloban City

(CAD. Case No. 2013-07-46) Atty. Joseph N. Escalona-reg.w/rc.

ESCALONA LAW OFFICE (counsel for petitioner) 2F J. Pang Bldg., Fatima Vil-

National Highway 6500 Tacloban City

Republic of the

Philippines **COURT OF** 

**APPEALS** Cebu City

CA-G.R. S.P. No. 12778 **GRACE** 

> Petitioner, -versus-

**RODRIGUEZ-YU** 

REGIONAL TRIAL Furnish a copy of this Resolution to the petition and his COURT OF TACLOcounsel, the City Prosecution BAN CITY, BRANCH Office of Tacloban City, the 34, REGISTER OF Registry of Deeds for the City DEEDS OF TACLOof Tacloban and the Office of the Solicitor General at 134 BAN CITY, LEYTE, Amorsolo St., Legaspi Village, SPS. FERNANDO SU-Makati City. DARIO and ANALIZA SO ORDERED." (empha-CABIDOG-SUDARIO, SPS. REDENTO T. ASENSI, and ROSE-

MINDA C. ASENSI,

and MARIA ELENA M.

UDTUHAN,

Respondents.

PETITION FOR

ANNULMENT OF

**JUDGMENT** 

RODRIGUEZ-YU, by the un-

dersigned counsel and unto this

Honorable Court, most respect-

**PREFATORY** 

STATEMENT

judgment is a remedy in law in-

dependent of the case where the

judgment sought to be annulled

was rendered. The purpose of

such action is to have the final

and executor judgment set aside

so that there will be a renewal

of litigation. It is resorted to in

cases where the ordinary rem-

edies of new trial, appeal, pe-

tition for relief from judgment,

or other appropriate remedies

are no longer available through

no fault of the petitioner, and is

based on only two grounds; ex-

trinsic fraud, and lack of juris-

diction or denial of due process.

A person need to be a party to

the judgment sought to be an-

nulled, and it is only essential

that he can prove his allegation

that the judgment was obtained

by the use of fraud and collu-

sion and he would be adversely

NATURE, PROPRIETY AND

TIMELINESS OF THE PE-

TITION

der Rule 47 of the 1997 Rules

of Civil Procedure of the annul-

ment of the RESOLUTION

dated December 19, 2014 (re-

ferred to as "assailed Resolu-

tion") issued by Judge Mario

O. Quinit of the Regional Trial

Court, Branch 34, Tacloban

City in Cad. Case No. 2013-

**07-46** in the Petitioner for issu-

ance of second owner's copy of

transfer certificates of title Nos.

T-65539, T-65540, T-65541,

T-65542, T-65543, T-65544,

T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674

of the Register of Deeds of Ta-

cloban City, filed by respondent

tion of the assailed Resolution

been proved by substantial

and clear evidence that the

Second Owner's Duplicate

Copy of Transfer Certificates

of Title Nos. T-65539, T-65540,

T-65542,

T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and

T-65674 were lost and beyond

recovery, the Registry of Deeds

for the City of Tacloban is

hereby ordered to issue anoth-

er Second Owner's Duplicate

Copy of the Transfer Certificate

of Title Nos. T-65539, T-65540,

T-65541, T-65542, T-65543,

T-65544, T-65545, T-65546

and T-65674 in the name of

the registered owner carrying

thereon all entries and encum-

brances appearing at the back

of the original copy on file with

the Register of Deeds and with

an annotation that the Sec-

ond Owner's Duplicate Copy

of the Transfer Certificate of

Title Nos. T-65539, T-65540,

T-65541, T-65542, T-65543,

T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and

T-65674 were issued in lieu

of the lost one after petitioner

shall have paid all fees in con-

nection therewith. Said Second

Owner's Duplicate copy shall

be treated with like faith and

credit as the lost one.

1-65543,

2. The dispositive por-

"WHEREFORE, having

Fernando Sudario.

This is a Petition un-

affected thereby.

An action for annulment of

PETITIONER GRACE

The assailed Res-

olution is void and should be annulled for having been issued by the respondent trial Court without jurisdiction and on the ground of extrinsic fraud committed by private respondent upon Petitioner herein. Consequently, all other writs and documents issued pursuant thereto are likewise void.

4. No motion for new trial, appeal, petition for relief from judgment or other appropriate remedies could have been availed of by Petitioner.

Petitioner discovered the issuance of the assailed Resolution only sometime in October 2018 when she started gathering the pertinent documents in order to transfer to her name the ownership of the foregoing lots.

6. It is hornbook doctrine that if a certificate of title has not been lost but is in fact in the possession of another person, the reconstituted title or second issuance thereof is void, because the court rendering the decision has not acquired jurisdiction. It may be attacked at any time. The period from October 2018 up to the filing of the instant Petition is will within the period of four (4) years, and Petitioner is not barred by laches or estoppel as provided under Rule 47 of the 1997 Rules of Civil Procedures.

# THE PARTIES

Petitioner GRACE RODRIGUEZ-YU, is a Filipino, of legal age, widow and a resident of Rizal Avenue, Tacloban City 6500, Province of Levte. She may be served with summons and other Court processes through the undersigned counsel, Escalona Law and Notarial Office, with office address at 2F Unit 2, Pang Building, Barangay 77 Fatima, Tacloban

City 6500. 8. The **REGIONAL** TRIAL COURT OF TACLO-BAN CITY, BRANCH 34 is impleaded as a nominal party being the trial Court which rendered the assailed Resolution in the case In Re: Petitioner for Issuance of Second Owner's Copy of Transfer Certificates of Title Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674 Register of Deeds of Tacloban City, Fernando Sudario, Petitioner, docketed as Cad Case No. 2013-07-46. The respondent trial Court may be served with summons and processes at its sale in Tacloban

City, Province of Leyte. 9. The **REGISTER** OF DEEDS OF TACLOBAN CITY, LEYTE, is impleaded as nominal party for being the government entity charged with the duties of registering decrees, deeds, and issuing second owner's duplicate copy of transfer certificates of title pursuant to P.D. 1529 (Property Registration Decree) within his jurisdiction. He may be served with summons and other processes at his office in Justice Romualdez St., Tacloban City.

10. Private Respondents, spouses FERNANDO SU-DARIO AND ANALIZA CA-**BIDOG-SUDARIO** (Spouses Sudario), are Filipinos, of legal age, and residents of No. 23 Veteranos Avenue Extension, Tacloban City 6500. Fernando Sudario is the petitioner in the petition for issuance of second owner's duplicate copy of the foregoing transfer certificates of title in Cad Case No. 2013-07046. They may be served with summons and other processes at

the said address

11. Private Respondents, spouses REDENTO T. ASENSI and ROSEMINDA C. ASENSI (Spouses Asensi), are Filipinos, of legal age, and resident of Barangay 71 Naga-Naga, Tacloban City 6500. They bought LOT 2185-I, covered by T.C.T. No. T-65674, from Spouses Sudario. They may be served with summons and other processes at the said

NOTICE

12. Private Respondent, MARIA ELENA M. UDTU-HAN, is a Filipino, of legal age, single and a resident of Barangay 62-A Sagkahan, Tacloban City 6500. She bought LOT 2185-J-4, covered by T.C.T No. T-65543, from Redento T. Asensi, representing Fernando Sudario. She may serve with summons and other processes at the said address.

#### RELEVANT FACTS AND ANTECEDENT **PROCEEDINGS**

13. The subject matter of this Petition are nine (9) parcels of land, referred to herein as "subject properties", with a total area of 2,185 sq.m. located in Barangay Utap (before) Naga-Naga (now,) Tacloban City. They are identified as follows,

LOT NO. 2185-J-6 (T.C.T. T-65539) -72 square meters;

LOT NO. 2185-J-7 (T.C.T. T-65540) – 72 square meters;

LOT NO. 2185-J-8 (T.C.T. T-65541) – 100 square meters; LOT NO. 2185-J-3 (T.C.T.

T-65542) – 72 square meters; LOT NO. 2185-I-4 (T.C.T.

T-65543) – 72 square meters; LOT NO. 2185-J-5 (T.C.T. T-65544) – 72 square meters;

LOT NO. 2185-J-9 (T.C.T. T-65545) – 133 square meters; LOT NO. 2185-J-10 (T.C.T.

 $\Gamma$ -65546) – 144 square meters; LOT NO. 2185-I (T.C.T.

T-65674) – 1,448 square meters 14. The subject properties were first mortgaged by Private Respondent Fernando Sudario with Union Bank of the Philippines. Unable to pay the loan, Spouses Sudario sought financial assistance from Peti-

tioner to pay their loan with the

said Bank. 15. On **July 21, 2011,** being a long time customer in the business of rice retail of Petitioner, the latter extended said financial assistance to Spouses Fernando Sudario. The latter wrote an acknowledgment and/ or certification whereby Petitioner was given the possession or custody of all the foregoing transfer certificates of title while their existing loan, including the additional amount used in redeeming the mortgage, are paid. Redemption is evidenced by a transaction receipt and other fees issued by Union Bank Tacloban Branch, also dated July 21, 2011. A Certification of full payment dated August 31, 2011

was also issued. 16. On September 28, 2011, Spouses Sudario and Petitioner formalized their transaction with the execution of a Real Estate Mortgage covering the subject properties. As a condition of the mortgage, it contained the following:

"Moreover, the above enumerated certificates of title shall be and remain in the possession of the mortgagee Mrs. Grace Yu until the mortgage shall have been redeemed and fully paid including the interest thereon at two (2%) percent per month." (emphasis ours)

17. On **October 30**, 2013, or week before super Typhoon Haiyan (Yolanda) struck Eastern Visayas on November 8, 2013, Spouses Sudario ultimately decided to sell the subject properties to Petitioner. Accordingly, they executed a Deed of Absolute Sale.

18. Totally devastated by said super Typhoon, Petitioner decided to temporarily stay in Cebu City and sought refuge with her relatives. In her struggle to get back into business

amidst millions of payables, the process of registering the sale and transferring the ownership of the subject properties was the least of her concern.

19. Unknown to the Pe-

titioner, Fernando Sudario filed on July 11, 2013 a Petition for issuance of second owner's duplicate copy of the foregoing nine (9) transfer certificates of title covering the subject properties. The filing of said Petitioner was about four months earlier when he and his wife signed the above Deed of Sale on October 30, 2013 in favor of herein Petitioner. His Petition filed with the Regional Trial Court of Tacloban City, Branch 34, reads:

"1. That petitioner, Fernando Sudario, is of legal age, Filipino, married and a resident of Brgv. Naga-naga, Tacloban City, Levte where he may be served with orders, notices and other Court processes;

2. That petitioner is the registered owner of nine(9) parcels of land all situated in Tacloban City, and briefly described as

### Parcel 1 Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-65539

A parcel of land designated as Lot 2185-J-6 of the subdivision plan Psd 08-020914-D, being a portion of Lot 2185-J, (LRA), Psd 370555, situated in Barangay Utap (before) Naga-naga (now), City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, and containing an area of Seventy Two (72) square meters, more

#### Parcel 2 **Transfer of Certificate of Title** No. T-65540

A parcel of land designated as Lot 2185-J-7 of the subdivision plan Psd 08-020914-D, being a portion of Lot 2185-J, (LRA), Psd 370555, situated in Barangay Utap (before) Naga-naga (now), City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, and containing an area of Seventy Two (72) square meters, more

#### Parcel 3 Transfer of Certificate of Title No. 65541

A parcel of land designated as Lot 2185-J-8 of the subdivision plan Psd 08-020914-D. being a portion of Lot 2185-J, (LRA), Psd 370555, situated in Barangay Utap (before) Naga-naga (now), City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, and containing an area of One Hundred (100) square meters, more

#### Parcel 4 Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-65542

A parcel of land designated as Lot 2185-J-3 of the subdivision plan Psd 08-020914-B, being a portion of Lot 2185-J, (LRA), Psd 370555, situated in Barangay Utap (before) Naga-naga (now), City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, and containing an area of Seventy Two (72) square meters, more or less.

#### Parcel 5 Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-65543

A parcel of land designated as Lot 2185-J-4 of the subdivision plan Psd 08-020914-D, being a portion of Lot 2185-J, (LRA), Psd 370555, situated in Barangay Utap (before) Naga-naga (now), City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, and containing an area of Seventy Two (72) square meters, more or less. Parcel 6

#### Transfer Certificate of Title No. 65544 A parcel of land designated

as Lot 2185-J-5 of the subdivision plan Psd 08-020914-D, being a portion of Lot 2185-J, (LRA), Psd 370555, situated in Barangay Utap (before) Naga-naga (now), City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, and containing an area of Seventy Two (72) square meters, more

Parcel 7

# Transfer Certificate of Title No. 65545

A parcel of land designated as Lot 2185-J-9 of the subdivision plan Psd 08-020914-D. being a portion of Lot 2185-J, (LRA), Psd 370555, situated in Barangay Utap (before) Naga-naga (now), City of Tacloban, Province of Leyte, and containing an area of One Hundred (100) square meters, more

#### Parcel 8 Transfer Certificate of Title No. 65546

A parcel of land designated as Lot 2185-J-10 of the subdivision plan Psd 08-020914-D, being a portion of Lot 2185-J, (LRA), situated in Barangay Utap (before) Naga-naga (now), City of Tacloban, Province of Levte, and containing an area of One Hundred Forty-Four (144) square meters, more or less.

#### Parcel 9 Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-65674

A parcel of land designated as Lot 2185-I of the subdivision plan (LRA), Psd 370555 approved as non-subdivision project, being a portion of Lot 2185 Cad 220, Tac. Cad. L.R.C. Record No. 1068, situated in Barangay Utap , Municipality of Tacloban City, Province of Levte, Island of Levte and containing an area of One Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Eighth (1,448) square meters,

3. That petitioner paid the last annotated loan obligation with Union Bank of the Philippines. A copy of the Affidavit of Redemption is hereto attached as ANNEX "A" and made an integral part hereof;

4. That the owner's duplicate copies of the said titles were released to herein petitioner who kept possession thereof;

5. Thereafter, petitioner inadvertently misplaced the owner's duplicate copy of these TCT Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674. He exerted exhaustive and diligent efforts to locate the missing titles but the same could still not be found;

6. That the original of these Transfer Certificate of Title Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674 still exist in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Tacloban City evidenced by issuance by this Office of a certified machine copy of each title and that only the owner's duplicate copies are missing. Electronic copies of these titles are hereto attached as Annexes "B" to "J" and made integral parts hereof;

7. That the subject titles were neither offered as security for any pending loan, before any person, bank or entity, because the loan obligation with Union Bank of the Philippines have already been settled nor were said titles presented to the Register of Deeds for the purpose of registering any transaction involving the property covered by these titles. The said titles were also not used as bonds for any case, civil or criminal, with any court; 8. In view of the loss of the

owner's duplicate of said titles, petitioner notified the Register of Deeds of Tacloban City of such fact of loss by way of registration of her Affidavit of Loss executed on May 21, 2013. A copy of the Affidavit of Loss is hereto attached as Annex "K" and made an integral part of this

9. Herein petitioner is praying that a new owner's duplicate for Transfer Certificate of Title Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674 be issued similar in faith and credit as the original thereof with the Register of Deeds of Tacloban City.

WHEREFORE, it is most

respectfully prayed that, after due notice and hearing, this Honorable Court renders judg-

Declaring as null and void the lost owner's duplicate copy of Transfer Certificate of Titles Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674 and

2. Ordering the Register of Deeds of Tacloban City to issue a new owner's duplicate of Transfer Certificate of Title Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674 in the same terms and conditions as the original thereof and in all intents entitled to like faith and credit as he original of said title.

Tacloban City, April 25, 2013." (emphasis ours)

20. After reception of the evidence, respondent trial Court issued the assailed Resolution, dated December 19 2014, the dispositive portion of which reads:

"WHEREFORE, having been proved by substantial and clear evidence that the Second Owner's Duplicate Copy of Transfer Certificate of Title Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543 T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674 were lost and beyond recovery, the Registry of Deeds for the City of Tacloban is hereby ordered to issue another Second Owner's Duplicate Copy of Transfer Certificate of Title Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542 T-65543, T-65544, T-65545 T-65546 and T-65674 in the name of the registered owner carrying thereon all entries and encumbrances appearing at the back of the original copy on file with the Register of Deeds and with an annotation that the Second Owner's Duplicate Copy of Transfer Certificates of Titles Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543. T-65544, T-65545 T-65546 and T-65674 were is sued in lieu of the lost one after petitioner shall have paid all fees in connection therewith Said Second Owner's Duplicate Copy shall be treated with like faith and credit as the lost

Furnish a copy of this Resolution to the petitioner and his counsel, the City Prosecution Office of Tacloban City, the Register of Deeds for the City of Tacloban and the Office of the Solicitor General at 134 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Village,

SO ORDERED.

21. Thereafter, the respondent trail Court issued a Certificate of Finality declaring that the assailed Resolution granting the petition for issuance of second owner's duplicate copies became final and executor on February 6, 2015.

22. Pursuant to the assailed Resolution, the Registry of Deeds of Tacloban City issued a second owner's duplicate copy of TCT Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541. T-65542, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674 in the name of Fernando Su-

Moreover.

tioner was utterly dismayed to discover from the Register of Deeds of Tacloban City that, LOT 2185-I, now covered by second owner's duplicate copy of T.C.T. NO. T-65674, was sold by Fernando Sudario to REDENTO T. ASENSI on December 30, 2015. Thereafter, said buyer caused its subdivision into twelve (12) lots, whereby each lot was issued a transfer certificate of title (TCTs) by the Register of Deeds of Tacloban City, viz:

23.1 T.C.T. No. 122-2017000591; 23.2 T.C.T. No. 122-

2017000592;

(cont. page 8....)

23.4 T.C.T. No. 122-2017000578; 23.5 T.C.T. No. 122-2017000595

23.6 T.C.T. No. 122-

23.8 T.C.T. No. 122-

2017000596; 23.7 T.C.T. No. 122-2017000597

2017000598: 23.9 T.C.T. No. 122-2017000599: 23.10 T.C.T. No. 122-

2017000600:

23.11 T.C.T. No. 122-2017000601: 23.12 T.C.T. No. 122-

2017000602; 24. Fernando Sudario

also executed a Special Power of Attorney in favor of Redento T. Asensi to sell, transfer, dispose or convey by way of sale or mortgage the subject properties, as early as September 29, 2011. 25. Redento T. Asensi

then sold in favor of MARIA ELENA M. UDTUHAN LOT 2185-J-4, covered by T.C.T No. T-65543, as early as September 27, 2011. A transfer certificate of title was later issued in favor of said buyer, per T.C.T. No. 122-2017000706.

26. Petitioner, fronted with the foregoing fraudulent acts, was advised to execute an Affidavit of Adverse Claim, dated November 20, 2018. She filed said adverse claim with the Register of Deeds of Tacloban City on December 3, 2018.

## GROUND IN SUPPORT OF THE PETITION

The proceedings in Cad. Case No. 2013-07-46 for the issuance of second owner's duplicate copy of T.C.T Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545. T-65546 and T-65674, and other derivative transfer certificates of title that were issued are null and void because the Regional Trial Court has no iurisdiction over

the case considering that the said enumerated certificates of title were not in fact lost, but were in lawful possession of Petitioner as a bona fide mortgagee and ultimately as buyer

Respondents committed extrinsic fraud in the proceedings for issuance of second owner's duplicate copies of transfer certificates of title (TCTs) Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541. T-65542. T-65543, T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674.

Petitioner is entitled to the award of moral damages, exemplary damages, attorneys fees and litigation expenses

## ARGUMENTS AND DIS-CUSSION

The proceedings in Cad Case No. 2013-07-46 for the issuance of second owner's duplicate copy of I.C.I. Nos T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545. T-65546 and T-65674, and other derivative transfer certificates of title that were issued are null and void because the Regional Trial Court has no jurisdiction over the case considering that the said enumerated certificates of title were not in fact lost, but were in lawful possession of Petitioner as a bona fide mortgagee and ultimately as buyer

thereof. 27. In a catena of cases, the Supreme Court has held that where the original owner's duplicate of transfer certificate of title is not lost, because it is in the passion of another person or buyer, the trial Court does not have jurisdiction over a petition for the issuance of new owner's duplicate copy thereof. Consequently, such second owner's duplicate copy is itself void once the existence of the original owner's copy is

unquestionably demonstrated and presented.

28. In the case of Strait Times Inc., represented by Atty. Rafael M. Iriarte v. Court of Appeals and Regin Peñalosa, G.R. No. 126673, decided on August 28, 1998, the Supreme Court held:

"It is judicially settled that a trial court does not acquire jurisdiction over a petition for the issuance of a new owner's duplicate certificate of title, if the original is in fact not lost but is in the possession of an alleged buyer. Corollarily, such reconstituted certificate is itself void once the existence of the original is unquestionably demonstrated." (emphasis ours)

29. The High Court said

"Petitioner insisted before the Court of Appeals, and now before this Court, that the allegedly "lost" duplicate certificate of title has been in the possession of Atty. Iriarte all the while. Thus, citing Demetriou v. Court of Appeals, petitioners argues that the trial court had no jurisdiction to issue a new title because the original title was

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The point of petitioner is well-taken. In Serra Serra v. Court of Appeals, the Court ruled that if a certificate of title has not been lost, but is in fact in the possession of another person, then the reconstituted title is void and the court that rendered the decision has no iurisdiction This was reiterated in Demetriou vs. Court of Appeals and New Durawood Co. Inc., v. Court of Appeals. In the present case, it is undisputed that the allegedly lost owner's duplicate certificate of title was all the while in the possession of Atty. Iriarte, who even submitted it as evidence. Indeed, private respondent has not controverted the genuineness and authenticity of the said certificate of title. These unmistakably show that the trial court did not have jurisdiction to order the issuance of a new duplicate, and the certificate issued is itself void." (emphasis

30. Petitioner came into possession of the foregoing certificates of title since July 21, 2011 when the Union Bank of the Philippines released them in her favor after she accommodated and paid the loan of Fernando Sudario, pursuant to their agreement. These certificates of title remained in Petitioner's possession up to the present.

31. In other words, they were never lost; because all the while, petitioner as mortgagee, then ultimately as buyer thereof, was in lawful possession of these certificates of title.

32. In the case of Salvador Serra Serra, et a., vs Court of Appeals and Salvador Serra Serra. et al., vs. Hon. Judge Nestor B. Alampay, is was declared that when the duplicate certificate in fact exists, the new certificates of title issued pursuant to a petition in Court are a nullity because the Court that issued the order has not thereby

acquired jurisdiction. "Thus, if no such original title in fact exists, the reconstituted title is a nullity and the order for its reconstitution does not became final because the court rendering the order has not acquired jurisdiction. It may be attacked at any time. The same rule applied if in fact there is an earlier valid certificate of title in the name of in the possession of another person/s. (emphasis ours)

33. In a related case of Antonio Demetriou, et al vs. Court of Appeals, it was held

"But a judgment otherwise final may be annulled not only on the ground of extrinsic fraud but also because of lack of jurisdiction of the court which rendered it. In Serra Serra v. Court of Appeals, on facts anal-

ogous to those involved in this cause, this Court already held that if a certificate of title has not been lost but is in fact in the possession of another person, the reconstituted title is void and the court rendering the decision has not acquired jurisdiction. Consequently the decision may be attacked any time. Indeed, Rep. Act No. 26, S 18 provides that "in case a certificate of title, considered lost or destroy be found or recovered, the same shall prevail over the reconstituted certificate of title." It was, therefore, error for the Court of Appeals to dismiss the petition for annulment of judgment of the petitioners.' (emphasis ours)

II. Respondents committed extrinsic fraud in the proceedings for issuance of a second owner's duplicate copies of transfer certificates of title (TCTs) Nos. T.C.T. Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674.

34. Fraud is extrinsic where the unsuccessful party has been prevented from exhibiting fully his case, by fraud or deception perpetrated on him by his opponent, as keeping him away from court, a false promise of a compromise; or where the defendant never had knowledge of the suit, being kept in ignorance by the acts of the plaintiff; or where an attorney fraudulently or without authority connives at his defeat: these and similar cases will show that there has never been a real contest in the trial or hearing of the case are reasons for which a new suit may be sustained to set aside and annul the former judgment and open the cause for a new and fair trial.

35. Respondents Spouses Sudario, Spouses Asensi, and Maria Elena M. Udtuhan employed extrinsic fraud to prevent herein Petitioner from discovering the proceedings relative to issuance of second owner's copy of the foregoing titles and to keep the latter ignorant of the case, including their previous

36. Spouses Sudario and Spouses Asensi conspired in defrauding Petitioner, because during the period that the forgoing nine (9) certificates of title were turned over to Petitioner as a condition of the mortgage as early as July 21, 2011, Fernando Sudario executed an SPA in favor of Redento T. Asensi to sell, encumber or mortgage the subject properties on September 29, 2011, or a day after Spouses Sudario formalized their mortgage with herein Petitioner on September 28, 2011.

37. Also, on September 27, 2011, or a day before Spouses Sudario formalized said mortgage with Petitioner on September 28, 2011, he (Fernando Sudario) already sold LOT 2185-J-4 with T.C.T. T-65543 to Maria Elena M. Udtuhan, through Redento T.

Asensi. 38. It was the obligation of Spouses Sudario to inform Petitioner about the SPA in favor of Redento T. Asensi, and/or cancel the same; and not to include LOT 2185-J-4 when they mortgaged the subject properties to Petitioner on September 28, 2011, and ultimately in the sale in favor of same Petitioner on October 30, 2013, because as said, it was already sold to Maria Elena Udtuhan on September 27, 2011. But they concealed this fact with no other reason but to deceive Petitioner.

Respondents, Spouses Sudario likewise maliciously concealed from herein Petitioner the petitioner for issuance of second owner's copy of titles of the subject properties that was filed on July 11, 2013, when they executed on October 30, 2013, a Deed of Sale in favor of herein Petitioner covering the

same subject properties. 40. Knowing fully well that the owner's copy of these

certificates of title are with Petitioner, under the circumstances above narrated, the filing of the petition for issuance of second owner's copy is clearly unfounded. Rather, it was ma-

III. Petitioner is entitled to the award of moral damages. exemplary damages, attorney

licious, unlawful and done in

utter bad faith to Petitioner.

fees and litigation expenses. 41. Due to the wanton acts of respondents in filing the unfounded petition for issuance of second owner's copy of title and, thereafter, used these second owner's copies in dealing with co-respondents, the integrity of the Torrens system was adversely affected. Also, said deceitful conduct and bad faith by respondents have caused Petitioner wounded feelings, anxiety, sleepless nights and besmirch reputation in the business community, for which moral damages of Php 2,000,000.00 and exemplary damages of Php 1,000,000.00 should be imposed against respondents in favor of herein Petitioner.

42. As a consequence of the said acts of the respondents which are unfounded, malicious, and done in gross and evident bad faith, herein Petitioner was compelled to secure the services of counsel to enforce and protect her rights and interests to the subject properties for a fee of Php 500,000,00; and to further incur litigation expenses in no less than Php 300,000.00.

# PRAYER

WHEREFORE, premises above considered, it is respectfully prayed of the Honorable Court that judgment be rendered:

DECLARING the entire proceedings in Cad. Case No. 2013-07-46 for issuance of second owner's copy of TCT Nos. T-65539, T-65540, T-65541, T-65542, T-65543, T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and T-65674 before the Regional Trial Court of Tacloban City Branch 34, as well as the issued second owner's copy thereof in the name of Fernando Sudario and, all its derivative certificates of title, viz T.C.T. No. 122-2017000591; T.C.T. No. 122-2017000592; T.C.T. No. 122-2017000593: TCT No. 122-2017000578; T.C.T. 122-2017000595; No. 122-2017000596: T.C.T. No. 122-2017000597; T.C.T. No. 122-2017000598: TCT No. 122-2017000599; T.C.T No. 2017000600; T.C.T. No. 122-2017000601; T.C.T. No. 122-2017000602 - all issued in the name of Redento T. Asensi and T.C.T. No. 122-2017000706 issued in the name of Maria Elena M. Udtuhan, NULL AND

ORDERING the Register of Deeds of Tacloban City to CANCEL the issued second owner's copy of TCT Nos. T.C.T. Nos. T-65539. T-65540. T-65541, T-65542, T-65543 T-65544, T-65545, T-65546 and and its derivatives T.C.T. No. 122-2017000591; T.C.T. No. 122-2017000592: TCTNo. 122-2017000593; 122-2017000578: T.C.T. No. T.C.T. No. 122-2017000595: T.C.T. No. 122-2017000596; T.C.T. No. 122-2017000597: T.C.T. No. 122-2017000598: T.C.T. No. 122-2017000599; T.C.T. No. 2017000600; T.C.T. No. 122-2017000601; T.C.T. No. 122-2017000602 & T.C.T. No. 122-2017000706. 3. ORDERING

spondents to pay herein Petitioner the amounts of Php 2,000,000.00 as moral damages, Php 1,000,000.00 as exemplary damages, Php 500,000.00 as attorney's fees and Php 300,000.00 as litigation expens-

OTHER reliefs just and equitable are likewise prayed for by Petitioner.

Tacloban City for Cebu City, May 7, 2019. ESCALONA LAW

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MARIA ELENA M. **UDTUHAN** 

Barangay 62-A Sagkahan, Tacloban City 6500 EXPLANATION ON SER-VICE AND FILING BY REG-

ISTERED MAIL (Pursuant to Sec. II, Rule 13, 1997 Revised Rules and Civil Procedure)

A copy of the foregoing Petition for Annulment of Judgment were sent to the above-mentioned parties and their respective addresses, thru registered mail because of lack of office messenger to effect personal service. Receipts of mailing are hereto attached and made integral parts hereof.

# (Sgd.) JOSEPH N. **ESCALONA**

Republic of the Philippines ) City of Tacloban ) S.S. Province of Leyte

VERIFICATION AND **CERTIFICATION OF NON-FORUM SHOPPING** 

age, widow and a resident of

GRACE RODRI-GUEZ-YU, Filipino, of legal Rizal Avenue, Tacloban City 6500, under oath, hereby depos-

es and says:

1. I am the Petitioner in this case.

I have read the foregoing Petition and the averments contained therein are true and correct of my own knowledge and/or bases on authentic records.

I attest to the authen-3. ticity of the annexes thereof.

4. I have not commenced any other action or proceeding involving the same issues in the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals, or Different Divisions thereof, or any other Tribunal, Body or Agency of Government.

5. Aside above-mentioned case, there is no other action or proceeding pending in the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeals, or different Divisions thereof, or any Tribunal, Body or Agency of Government.

I herein Petitioner learned that a similar action or proceeding has been filed or is pending before the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, or different Divisions thereof, Tribunal, Body or Agency, I hereby undertake to notify this Honorable Court within five (5)kj days from knowledge thereof.

#### (Sgd.)GRACE RODRIGUEZ-YU Affiant/Petitioner

SUBSCRIBED SWORN to before me this 10th day of May 2019 in Tacloban City, with affiant exhibiting to me evidence of his identity, being; I.D. No. 0006-0941865-3 issued on at Tacloban City.

# (Sgd) ATTY. JOSEPH N. ESCALONA

Notary Public for and within the Province of Leyte and Tacloban City

Under RTC Tacloban City's Jurisdiction N.C. No. 2016-02-45; 02-24-16; until December 31, 2017 Roll of Attorney's No. 40336; May 11, 1995 IBP Lifetime Member No. 08344. Tacloban City PTR No. 7425545; 01-04-16,

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Philippines (City of Tacloban City) S.S. AFFIDAVIT OF **SERVICE OF** 

PLEADING I REYNOLD SHEAN N. ESCALONA, Filipino, sin-

gle and a resident of Brgy. 92, Apitong, Tacloban City, Leyte, after having been sworn to an oath in accordance with law, hereby deposes and says.

I am the secretary/messenger of ESCALONA LAW

On 14 May 2019, I caused the service of the foregoing Petition for Annulment of Judg

REGIONAL TRIAL COURT OF TACLOBAN **CITY BRANCH 34** 

Bulwagan ng Katarungan Magsaysay Blvd Tacloban City 6500 Leyte THER EGISTER OF

DEEDS OF TACLOBAN Justice Romualdez Street

Tacloban City 6500 Leyte

FERNANDO SUDARIO AND ANALIZA CABI-DOG-SUDARIO

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Brgy. 71 Naga-naga Tacloban City 6500 MARIA ELENA M.

**UDTUHAN** Brgy. 62-A Sagkahan, Ta-

cloban City 6500 By: Registered mail ef-

fected by depositing a copy in the post office, in sealed envelope, addressed to said addressee at his present address appearing in the records, with postage fully pre-paid, and with instruction to the postmaster to return the mail to sender after 10- days if undelivered, as per registry receipts hereto attached. Proof of receipt by the addressed will be submitted later:

Absense of personal cou-

IN WITNESS WHERE-OF, I have hereunto set my hand this 14th day of May 2019 at Tacloban City, Leyte

Philippines. (Sgd.) REYNOLD SHEAN N. **ESCALONA** 

Affiant SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 14th day of May 2019 at Tacloban City,

Leyte, Philippines. (Sgd.) ATTY. JOSEPH

N. ESCALONA LSDE: Sept. 26, Oct. 3 & 10,

# DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late PRIMITIVO E. CAPACIO SR. extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot 1727-E-8 of the subdivision plan, Psd-08-001932 being a portion of Lot 1727-E (LRC) situated at Brgy. San Jose, Tacloban City containing an area of 96sq.m., with TCT No. T-22574. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of SHAILENEE MARIE A. AYA-AY as vendee of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 124, Page No. 26, Book No. IV, Series of 2019. Notary Public Atty. Roselle Go Gerena. LSDE: Sept. 19, 26 & Oct. 3, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CARLOS T. ROSILLO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of residential land designated as Lot No. 4474 located at Brgy. Minuhang, Barugo, Leyte containing 408 square meters, Survey No. Pls-1061-D, Case 4. Per Doc No. 454, Page No. 63, Book No. XV, Series of LSDE: Sept. 26, Oct. 3 & 10, 2020 2020. Notary Public Atty. Bella Mercedes G. Mendiola.

# EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH PARTITION WITH SALE (PORTION)

partitioned and adjudicated over parcels of land situated in Alang-alang, Leyte, described as: 1) Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-2875 of the Register of Deed of Leyte, consisting of (a) Lot 1166 of the Cadastral Survey of Alang-alang Leyte, containing an area of 97,305 square meters, more or less; b) Lot 1238, containing an area of 7,283 square meters more or less and 3) Lot 1291 containing 4,768 sq.m.; 2) Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-2876, consisting of: a) Lot 1215, containing an area 5,164 sq.m.; b) Lot No. 1225, containing an area 3,090 sq.m. more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed a portion of of the Estate and identified as Lots 1166-C and 1166-D of the TCT No. T-2875 (Lot 1166), and Lot No. 1225-C of TCT No. T-2876 in favor of WALTER ROSTAN GARCIA, JR., as vendee for the above described portion, without improvements, containing a sum total of 30,000 square meters only; per Doc. No. 499, Page No. 101, Book No. I, Series of 2018 of Notary Public LEO S. GIRON. LSDE: September 26, October 3 & 10, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late AMADO UY, extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, Lot 1, Psd -107405, situated at Brgy. Utap, Tacloban City, Leyte, covered by TCT No. T-17656 to YXARA GEM D. KO and JOHNSON U.KO married to MICHELLE D. KO, as vendees for the above-described property including the conjugal share thereon of surviving wife, per Doc. No. 11, Page No. 4, Book No. V, Series of 2020 of Notary Public Atty. Roselle Go Gerena. LSDE: Sept. 26 & Oct. 3, 10, 2020

# EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF LINA B. POLO

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS LINA B. POLO AND MARCIAL S. BUGAS extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 7 parcels of land particularly described as; 1) Lot 6052 situated at Barrio Cabalasan, Baybay, Leyte containing 5,000sq.m., under TCT No. T-19416; 2) Lot 4747 situated at Baybay, Leyte containing 12,385sq.m., under TCT No. T-13422; 3) Lot 244 situated at Baybay, Leyte containing 5,000sq.m., under TCT No. T-13423; 4) Lot 4, Block 1, Psd-083708-007895-D situated at Brgy. Poblacion, Baybay, Leyte containing 192sq.m., under TCT No. T-27134; 5) Lot 5, Block 1, Psd-083708-007895-D situated at Brgy. Poblacion, Baybay Leyte containing 193sq.m., under TCT No. T-27135; 6) Lot 6, Block 1, Psd-083708-007895-D situated at Brgy. Pobla cion, Baybay, Leyte containing 192sq.m., under TCT No. T-27136; 7)A 1/5 portion of a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 913 situated at Baybay, Leyte containing 7,754sq.m., under TCT No. 13176. Per Doc No. 482, Page No. 97, Book No. 33, Series of 2015. Notary Public Atty, Raul Patual. LSDE: Sept 19, 26 & Oct 3, 2020

# AMENDED AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that MARIE ANN D. TICA, heirs of the late SPS, RESTITUTO DACOYCOY AND ALEJANDRA DACOYCOY extrajudicially amended, settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land containing an area of 1,037.13sq.m., located at Brgy. Parena, Carigara, Leyte under ARP No. 11036-00144, Lot No. 160 under OCT 66477. Per Doc No. 318, Page No. 64, Book No. XXXV, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Ulpiano Arpon, Jr. LSDE: Sept 19, 26 & Oct 3, 2020

# DOH...

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reported that the region has now 4,085 cases of COVID-19 with the additional of 80 new cases.

These new cases were from Leyte with 55; Samar, 24; and one from Biliran.

In Hilongos town in Leyte, its municipal government has announced that the 17 persons who were tested positive of the virus are asymptomatic and are now at their isolation facility.

The town has now 40 confirmed COVID-19 cases as of Friday.

Meantime, Dr.Minerva Molon, DOH regional director, said that with the increasing number of COVID-19 cases in Eastern Visayas, all the barangays should step up their barangays health emergency response teams (BHERTs).

"The role of BHERTS is crucial in defeating COVID-19 pandemic. They serve as the first line of support to our close contacts, suspects or probable and confirmed COVID-19 patients in our communities. They are the ones who ensure that the minimum health standards are being followed and as advocates of correct information about COVID-19," she said.

She then urged the residents of the villages always coordinate and have contact with the BHERTS.

Molon said that COVID-19 cases in the region are increasing as she noted that from September 16 to Sept.22 period, the region had only 378 COVID-19 cases.

But from Sep.23 up to Sep.29, the regional cases rose to 421.

She, however, stressed that further increase of COVID-19 cases of the region could be addressed if the public would continue to cooperate and strictly follow all the health protocols like the wearing of facemasks and face shields, observing social distancing, and by staying home.

GCQ status of the city, Mayor Romualdez asked for all to cooperate to lessen the number of cases in the city and for the local economy to start improving after suffering a meltdown due to the effect of this pandemic.

Romualdez also appeals to those who are traveling to the city to cooperate and adhere to the protocols and policies that the city has put into effect.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

# DPWH completes road leading to tourist spots in Ormoc



ORMOC CITY - Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) Leyte 4th District Engineering Office (DEO) completed the road improvement project in Lake Danao Gaas-Sitio Maglahog-Quezon Jr. Road leading to Lake Danao and Lake Kasudsuran, Quezon Jr., this city.

The better and improved road provide residents and tourists a more

Police Regional Director De Jesus

sacked entire San Isidro policemen

convenient road leading to the most visited tourism sites in Ormoc City - Lake Danao and Lake Kasudsuran, that both offers a peaceful and tranquil ambience that able tourists to have a close to nature ex-

The P 45.7 million road project started on February this year, funded under the Convergence and Special Support Program of the General Appropriations Act (GAA) for CY 2020, in line with DPWH - DOT Convergence Program, which contributes to inclusive growth by incorporating communities to the tourism value chain and building local institutions through improved road connectivity, thus, these will promote development balanced and create more jobs and income opportunities to more Filipinos.(PR)

# Alfred...

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below 21 years of age and 60 years old and above are still prohibited to go out from their homes.

Also prohibited to venture outside are those who have immunodeficiency, comorbidity and other health risk, and pregnant

Mass gathering such as movie screening, concerts, sporting events, and other entertainment activities, community assemblies, and non-essential works

continues to be prohibited while gathering that are for the provision of critical government services and authorized humanitarian activities will be allowed as long as they will adhere to the prescribe minimum health standard.

Religious gathering is also allowed provided that it is only up to 10 percent of its seating capacity and shall be limited to the conduct of religious worship and services. They must also strictly observe minimum public health standards.

With the extension of

and heeding the people's Congress with the approval of the Supreme Court, President Ferdinand Marcos declared Martial Law in September 21, 1972.

Before saying "never again" to Martial Law, it would be best first if we dare say, "never again to the terroristic acts and violence that provoke Martial Law." Why, without the latter, the former won't come our way.

Publication Notice R.A. 10172

LSDE: October 3 & 10, 2020

# NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Date: October 1, 2020

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. Act. No. 9048, and in compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 Guidelines in the Implementatio of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that ANGELI B. BA-**CLEA-AN** has filed with this office, a Petition for correction of child's date of birth from "MARCH 14, 1999" to "MARCH 13, 1999" in the certificate of live birth of ANGELI B. BACLEA-AN of Palo, Leyte, Philippines and whose parents are **Arturo Boleche Baclea-an** and Rosalia Malquez Ballon.

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

> (Sgd.) EDGAR Y. TAÑALA, J.D. Municipal Civil Registrar Palo, Leyte

# Never again...

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facilities were frequent and rampant such that, eventually, Congress had recommended for the declaration of Martial Law, and the Supreme Court readily approved it. Take note, Congress and the Supreme Court.

Finally, as Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces of the Philippines,

in the wake of the killing of two cops TACLOBAN CITY- The entire police force of San Isidro in Northern Samar were relieved amid the

death of two police officers assigned at the Regional Mobile Force Battalion (RMFB) who responded to a call of an alleged illegal logging activity last September 26.

This was disclosed by Police Regional Director B/ Gen. Ronaldo De Jesus who also instructed for a thorough investigation on the

an extensive and credible

investigation on the matter. Rest assured that we will do our best to get to the truth," the police regional director said in a statement.

De Jesus said they already created a regional fact-finding committee, together with the investigating team from Northern Samar Police Provincial Office (NSPPO), to conduct an indepth and thorough investigation on the incident.

"The whole PRO-Eastern Visayas is extending its deepest condolences and "I assure the public of sympathy to the bereaved families. This PRO (Police

Regional Office) is now facilitating the financial assistance for the burial services of the slain police officers," he added.

To recall, personnel from the Second Maneuver Platoon of the 803rd RMBF went to Barangay Buenavista of the said town to response to a call of an alleged

illegal logging activity in the area.

However, upon reaching the area, they were allegedly fired upon by a group of armed men which resulted to the death of Patrolmen Jessie Golondrina and Fernando S Velarde Jr. (RONALD O. REYES)

# High-value suspect nabbed in a drug sting in Ormoc City

TACLOBAN Alex Echon, together CITY-Police arrested an alleged high-value drug personality during a buy-bust operation in Ormoc City.

The suspect, as Junry Seledio, 39, and tagged rank number 12 of top 20 drug personality in the city, was arrested by the members of the Ormoc City Drug Enforcement Unit led by Major

with the Ormoc City Police Station 1 and Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) on September 25 at Purok 1, Barangay Can-untog.

Purchased from the suspect was one piece heat-sealed transparent plastic sachet of suspected shabu, as the subject

see High-value / page 10 ...

RA Form No. 10.1 (LCRO) CFN-0002-2020

> Republic of the Philippines Local Civil Registry Office Province of Levte Municipality of Palo

# NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. Act. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **LIEZEL E. BORJAL** has filed with this office a

 $(complete\ name\ of\ the\ \underline{petitioner})$ Petition for change of first name from

**FRANCIS MATTHEWJ** to **FRANCIS MATTHEW** in the (new first name to be adopted)

birth certificate of FRANCIS MATTHEW ENCINA BORJAL

(Complete Name of Document Owner)

who was born on November 15, 2014 at Palo, Levte and (complete date of birth)

whose parents are **ELMER CRUZALDO ISANAN BORJAL LIEZEL FABI ENCINA** (Name of Father)

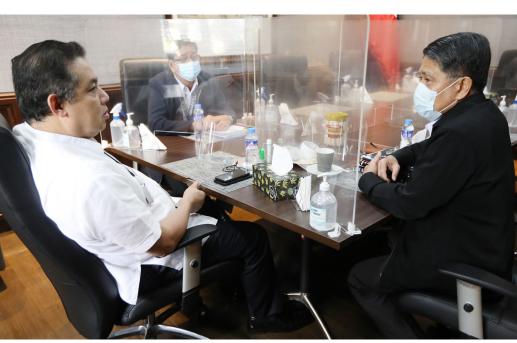
file his written opposition with this Office.

(Sgd.) EDGAR Y. TAÑALA, J.D.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may

Municipal Civil Registrar

LSDE: October 3 & 10, 2020



House Majority Leader and Leyte Rep Martin Romualdez (left) talks with Customs Commissioner Rey Leonardo Guerrero (right) during a short meeting at the Majority Office in the House of Representatives before the start of the Budget Deliberation of the 2021 Budget of the Bureau of Customs under the Department of Finance.Romualdez support the proposed Budget of Customs. photo by Ver Noveno

# This year's...

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He, however, stressed that the historic event will still be held although in a very simple way as this will only consist of flag raising of the Allied countries, wreath-laying and a 21gun salute ceremonies.

Representatives of foreign countries like the United States, Australia, and Japan will deliver their speeches through a taped message.

"There is no point for a guest to deliver a message here because there are no crowd who will be listening to them," Petilla said.

He added that aside from the absence of dignitaries, the living World War II veterans are also prohibited to attend the event as mandated by the Inter-Agency Task Force which prohibits senior citizens to go outside their respective houses.

The region has a total of 86 remaining living World War II veterans.

Other local government units in Leyte will also hold activities related to the Leyte Gulf landings.

In Tolosa town, Mayor Maria Ofelia Alcantara said that they already prepared a simple ceremony on October 18 for the Signal Day commemoration.

The activity will start with a Thanksgiving Mass, flag raising and wreathlaying and will be followed by a short program with messages to be delivered by the relatives of Scouts Valeriano Abello, Antero Junia Sr. and Vicente Tiston.

Abello, Junia and Tiston warned the incoming Allied Forces on October 18, 1944 using the semaphore signal or scout signs

to spare the bombing the shorelines because thousands of local residents are living in the area and provided information.

And in Palo, the 'Barrio Fiesta" celebration will be cancelled although they have lined up some activities related to the Leyte landings commemoration, Mayor Frances Ann Petilla said. (ROEL T. AMAZONA)

# High-value... ...from Page 9

of sale.

Confiscated from his possession and control were three pieces heatsealed transparent plastic sachets of suspected shabu, one piece P1, 000 used as bust money, and P70 cash money.

The search and in-

# Leyte...

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rameter (total suspended solids and for failure to secure wastewater discharge permit for the ice plant facility).

The complaint against Oñate was filed last Sept.22 before the sala of Judge Mario Quinit, presiding judge of the Regional Trial Court-Branch 17, based this town.

Also named as respondent on the case is the regional office of the Environment and Management Bureau (EMB) for its alleged failure to enforce its decision find-

ventory was witnessed by barangay and media representatives, police

The suspect was charged for violation of Sections 5 and 11, Article II of Republic Act 9165, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of

(RONALD O. REYES)

ing various environmental violations committed by Oñate since 2017.

Oñate did not respond to mobile calls and text messages for his reactions on this issue.

The complainants were residents of Tinag-an where industrial wastes from the dressing plant are reportedly being dumped and that of Brgy. San Joaquin of this town where the carcasses and blood of the chickens are allegedly buried.

According to the complainants, Oñate's dressing plant has resulted to the death of fishes at a nearby river while their rice fields were affected due to wastes coming from the dressing plant.

Nida (not her real name), said they have long been suffering from the obnoxious odor coming from the dressing plant claiming that some of them got sick, especially those who have allergies and respiratory illnesses.

"We want them to dispose of their wastes properly. It has been our problem from the moment we wake up to the time we sleep until now," she lamented.

Nida claimed that they have already sought help from their barangay council and filed a petition for the dressing plant to comply with proper waste disposal since 2016

but to no avail.

"We do not want them to close the dressing plant because they are giving employment to a lot of people not just in Albuera but we hope that they look for solutions to address our concerns," she added.

Rosa, who declined to give her name and a resident of Brgy. San Joaquin whose home is just 30 meters from the dumping site, claimed that many of the villagers have suffered from vomiting and diarrhea due to the flies and foul odor emanating from the dumping site.

She said that wastes such as chicken dung carcasses, and blood placed in drums, plastics bags, or sacks are transported to their village where the DBSN Farms owns a lot.

It was learned that San Joaquin is said to sit within the buffer zone of the declared watershed in Ormoc Bay, which has been declared part of the National Integrated Protected Areas System or the NIPAS Act of 2018 (RA 11038).

"We have filed this case to put an end to our suffering for years. We can no longer tolerate the smell and the flies causing our children to get sick," Rosa said.

(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA with ROEL T.AMAZONA)

# DPWH gears P24.5 million farm-to-market road projects



CARIGARA, Leyte The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) -Leyte Second District Engineering Office based this town is all set for the construction of a P24.5 million farmto-market (FMR) road project in Leyte villag-

"Construction FMR project in Carigara starts in Sitio Diyo to Sitio Kapitugan in Barangay Libo amounting to P11.76 million covering the construction

of .572 kilometer of concrete road with box culvert," said OIC-District Engineer Leo Edward Oppura.

Barangay Libo is surrounded by wide rice fields reaching out towards its mountain side.

"Another FMR project will be the 1.03 kilometer road in Barangay District 9 traversing Barangay Gamay in Burauen amounting to P12.74 million," Oppura said.

"Once completed, farmers will have a better access road and less cost in transporting their farm products to the nearby public market," he stressed.

Construction these projects started on August 14 and will be completed by November 7 of this year.

Last year, the district office implemented a total of 8-FMR project amounting to P45 million under FY 2019

Department Agrarian Fund. (LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

# Military...

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14-year old girl informed about her plight.

Both girls claimed that they were sexually abused by the rebels and were asked to take oral contraceptives.

The two are now at the custody of the Kananga Municipal Social Welfare Office.

The rescue of the two girls were condemned by the Commission on Human Rights through its spokesperson Atty. Jacqueline Ann de Guia as it vowed to launch its own investigation on this matter.

"Sexual slavery and recruitment of child soldiers, among others, are form of human trafficking. These horrendous acts towards vulnerable individuals alledegely

being practiced by rebel forces are not just employed to spread fear and gain victims, but to use them as incentives to recruit new fighters," de Guia said.

"We call the government to provide redress for the victims including multi-sectoral assistance for health, psycho-social support, and reintegration in their communities. They require rehabilitation and special attention after their demobilization from the camp," she added.

The CHR also urged authorities to conduct swift investigation on the case to fund out the truth behind the allegation and to ensure that the offender is made accountable to the offense. (ROEL T. AMAZONA)



# REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

# **DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM**

Tunay na Pagbabago sa Repormang Agraryo

Please be informed that the landholdings described below had been placed under coverage of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) per Notice of Coverage as indicated below:

LANDOWNER	DATE NOC PUBLISHED	TITLE NO	LOT NO	AREA PER TITLE	MUNICIPALITY / PROVINCE	BARANGAY	DATE OF FIELD INVESTIGATION
VICENTE MAGISTRADO	JUNE 17, 2014 / MANILA BULLETIN	OCT-16185	11269	3.8106	BAYBAY, LEYTE	MAKINHAS	OCTOBER 26, 2020
2. GONZALO ALONZO	JUNE 16, 2014 / THE PHIL. STAR	TCT-T-18944	5366	8.5454	JARO, LEYTE	SARI-SARI	OCTOBER 27, 2020

In this connection, may we invite you or your authorized representative to participate in the Conduct of Joint Field Investigation as scheduled on the above date at 8:00 in the morning.

Your failure to participate in the Field Investigation shall be a waiver on your part to question the findings thereof.

We anticipate your full cooperation and support. Thank you.

( Sgd.) RENATO G. BADILLA, MPMRD PARPO II

# Dry run on the delivery of modules

BY: BABY WILDA B. SALAS



Calbasag Elementary School of Julita District, Julita, Leyte conducted a dry run on the delivery and retrieval of modules to the learners from kinthe opening of classes come October 5, 2020.

This activity was based on one of the programs of the School's Continuity Plan the "Educycle".

It was proposed by Mrs. Daisymae M. Rivas, Mrs. Soledad R. Bindoy both from the said school. This is to test how the teachers will go through the actual delivery and retrieval of the modules as classes are started.

The school principal Mrs. Jane A. Firmo, coordinated with the Barangay Council headed by Hon. Rodrigo J. Macaso and barangay tanods, tricycle owners for the said activity, who will serve as the partners for this program throughout the

school year.

During the dry run, the principal, teachers, barangay officials and tanods assembled themselves in the barangay plaza with the modules placed in a plas tic storage boxes ready for delivery to the eight zones with the assigned teacher. The modules where then delivered on a house to house basis to all the learners in every zone.

After which the modules were retrieved by the teachers with the help of the barangay officials, tanods and the educycles and then brought them back to the school for the checking and safe keeping by the teachers for its future use.

The school principal and teachers are thankful to all who contributed much for the success of the said activity.

(Note: The author is a teacher III of Calbasag Elementary School of Julita District, Julita, Leyte)

# Siding...

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it is a tough task watching the games by analyzing the plays, following the strategies of coaches and the way players execute their game plan. We hear people praise the genius of the bench tacticians as they make a difference in the outcome of every game. As basketball is a game of adjustments carried out quickly as the game is in progress, it is hard to notice how a coach is ably handling his team amid the noise of a roaring crowd and the frenzy of the players inside the court. From the viewpoint of a basketball referee, this writer enjoy the games observing the officiating and keeping neutral without siding.

comments to alellema@yahoo.com

# **DECLARATION OF HEIRSHIP OF ESTATE OF ANDREA MABINI**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Surviving Heirs of Andrea Mabulac Mabini that said spouses died intestate leaving no will or testamentary disposition at the time of their deaths, executed an Declaration of Heirship over a parcel of Agricultultural land situated in Barrio Ontolan, Municipality of Wright Samar, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. 9285 containing an area of One hundred Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Seven (113,667) square meters, Per Doc. No. 1314, Page No. 89, Book No. XIII, Series of 2020 before Notary Public Atty. Ronelito O. Ticoy. LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# **DECLARATION OF HEIRSHIP OF ESTATE** OF THE SPOUSES FORTUNATO ABADIANO **GABON AND MIGUELA ABAN**

NOTICE is hereby given that the surviving heirs of spouses Fortunato Gabon and Miguela Gabon that said spouses died intestate leaving no will or testamentary disposition at the time of their deaths, executed a declaration of Heirship over a parcel of agricultural land situated in sitio Mugdo, Barrio Pabanog, Municipality of Wright Samar, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. 9376 particularly described as follows: An Agricultural land Lot No. 2381, Pls-658-D; situated at sitio, Mugdo, Barrio Pabanog Municipality of Wright, Province of Samar, containing an area of Thirty Seven Thousand One Hundred and Thirteen (37,113) square meters, per Doc. No. 1315, Page No. 89, Book No. XIII, Series of 2020 before Notary Public Atty. Ronelito O. Ticoy. LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020

Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL TRIAL **COURT** 8th Judicial Region Branches 6, 7, 8, 9, 34, 43 & 44 Bulwagan ng Katarungan

# Tacloban City OFFICE OF THE **CLERK OF COURT &** EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF OF LEYTE

**HOME** DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG) (HDMF), Mortgagee/s, -versus-PAUL JAMES P. ANCAO, Mortgagor/s. EJF No. 4177 For: EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE/

PERSONAL PROPERTY MORT-GAGE UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118 X----X

# NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL **SALE**

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended, executed by PAUL JAMES P. ANCAO, of legal age, Filipino, with postal address at Lot 5, Block 1, Kassel City Subd., Brgy. Abucay, Tacloban City, Leyte, in favor of HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG FUND), with principal office at Room 3520, 35th Floor, Petron Mega Plaza,

358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of July 8, 2020 amounted to ONE HUNDRED ELEVEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE PESOS AND 24/100 ONLY (P111,665.24) in Philippine Currency, including interest and penalty charges, but excluding additional interest and penalty charges until fully paid, expenses of collection, 10% of the total indebtedness as Attornev's Fees, plus expense of the Foreclosure, Sheriff's lawful fees, and Expenses for conducting the PUBLIC AUCTION on October 30, 2020 from 9:00AM to 4:00PM at entrance lobby of Regional Trial Court, Bulwagan ng Katarungan, Magsaysay Blvd., Tacloban City, to the highest bidder for cash and in Philippine Currency, the following properties with all its improvements, if any to wit:

# TCT No. No. 122-2017002108

A PARCEL OF LAND DESIGNATED AS LOT 5, BLOCK 1 OF THE CONSOL-IDATION-SUBDIVISION OF PLAN PCS-08-000665-D, BE-ING A PORTION OF BLOCK 13, LOTS 1-10, BLOCK 15, LOTS 1-10; BLOCK 17, LOTS 1-17; BLOCK 18, LOTS 25-47, BLK. 24, LOTS 1-14; BLOCK 25, LOTS 1-8; BLOCK 26, LOTS 1-6 AND BLOCK 31, LOTS 31, LOTS 1-6, PCS-08-000527-D, SIT-UATED IN THE BARAN-GAY ABUCAY, CITY OF TACLOBAN, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, ISLAND OF LEYTE. **BOUNDED ON THE:** 

SW., ALONG LINE 1-2 BYLOT 4, BLOCK 1 OF THIS SUBDIVISION; ON THE

NW., ALONG LINE 2-3

BY LOT 2357, CAD. 22; ON

BY LOT 6, BLOCK 1 OF THIS SUBDIVISION; AND ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 4-1

NE., ALONG LINE 3-4

BY ROAD LOT 11, PCS-08-00527-D.

BEGINNING POINT MARKED "1" ON PLAN BEING S. 70 DEG. 35'E., 490.63 M. FROM BBM# 19, CAD. 220.

CONTAINING AN AREA OF THIRTY FIVE (35) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.

"Including the house/ building(s) and other improvements now erected or hereafter maybe erected

upon." PROSPECTIVE BID-DERS AND BUYERS MAY INVESTIGATE FOR THEMSELVES THE TITLE AND ENCUMBRANC-ES, HEREIN ABOVE-DE-SCRIBED REAL PROPER-

TIES IF ANY THERE BE. All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on November 06, 2020.

Magsaysay Blvd., Tacloban City, Leyte, Philippines. September 24, 2020.

FOR THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OF-FICIO SHERIFF

(Sgd.) MICHAEL L. YEE

Sheriff IV RTC-OCC, Tacloban City LSDE: Oct. 3, 10 & 17, 2020 RE: Application for issuance of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) pursuant to the 2014 Amendments to the Revised Rules and Regulations implementing R.A. No. 9295 or the IRR of 2014.

CASE NO. MRO8 20-031

JOHNNY B. VALENCIA, Applicant

ORDER

Before us is the above-entitled case which was filed with the Calbayog Satellite Unit (CSU) on 18 September 2020 and received by this Office on 28 September 2020, to wit:

NAME OF SHIP'S OWNED (1) MBca "VALENCIA", (2) MBca "JONIEL" & MBca "JONIEL-V"

SERVICE TO BE OFFERED For the carriage of Passengers

ROUTE TO BE SERVED

Brgy. Sto. Niño, Biri, N. Samar-Lavezares, N. Samar and vice versa

SCHEDULE OF TRIPS

Non-scheduled/Chartered trips or depending on the availability of passengers and pursuant to the terms and conditions of the submitted Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) dated 05 July 2019 between and among shipowners/operators of motorbancas covered by the said MOA (the subject shipl included) and members of the Sto. Niño Motorboat Operators and Drivers Association

(Daytime Navigation only or from 4:30 AM - 5:30 PM)

SCHEDULE OF RATES PER LINK ROUTE/PORTS/LINKS

PASSENGER RATE Brgy. Sto. Niño, Biri, N. Samar P80.00 Lavezares, N. Samar

CARGO RATE Rate/Unit P30.00/sack Rice/Sugar Steel Bars P6.00/piece - 10mm

-12-16mm P8.00/piece P10.00/box Asstd. Grocery P15.00/sheet Yero (G.I. sheet) Drinks P12.00/box P10.00/container Container Notice is hereby given that Applicant shall present the jurisdictional, qualification, and

documentary requirements in a hearing to be conducted on 07 October 2020, Wednesday, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at this Office, G/F Uytingkoc Bldg., Senator Enage Street, Tacloban City. 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.

The applicant shall submit a written Formal Offer of Evidence (FOE) during the hearing or five (5) days thereafter. WITNESS, the Honorable Administrator, this 29TH day of September 2020 at Tacloban

City, Philippines.

(Sgd.) EFREN JUAN B. BORCI, JR. Regional Director

Applicant, Johnny B. Valencia, Brgy. Sto. Niño, Biri, N. Samar Office of the Solicitor General, 134 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Vill., Makati, MM

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SFSU Issuance No. O-NOH-1-2020-050 Reference No. TMRO-2020 20-048

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SALE (Portion)**

NOTICE is hereby given heirs of the late ALEJANDRA CABIGON and JULIAN AMANTE, extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of coco land, with Tax Dec. No. 4026, PIN 036-02, situated at Tajawon, Brgy. l Buenavista, Basey, Samar, with an area of 4-98-56, with market value of P102,708.00 and assessed value of P41,080, and heirs of Cresencia Macamay and heirs of Herminia Macamay executed a Deed of Sale, the above-mentioned portions of the subject land in favor of ANNALYN ESTUITA-ORIAS, married to MARIO ORIAS as vendee, per Doc. No. 044, Page No. 010, Book No. V, Series of 2019 of Notary Public Atty. Filotea B.M. Estorninos. LSDE: Sept. 26, October 3 & 10, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CALIXTO PASTELERO extrajudicial-settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of agricultural land CAD Lot No. 9750-G situated at Brgy. Guindapunan, Palo, Leyte containing an area of 4,639sq.m., covered by TD No. 08-30-0023-05068. Per Doc No. 125, Page No. 26, Book No. LXVIII, Series of 2019. Notary Public Atty. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar. LSDE: Sept. 26, Oct. 3 & 10, 2020

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LAND TRANSPORTATION

FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY

BOARD

Regional Office No. VIII

Palo, Leyte

Application for Extension of Validity

of a Certificate of Public Convenience

COOPERATIVE (PALTRANSCO),

PALOMPON TRANSPORT SERVICE

NOTICE OF HEARING

Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a

PUB Service for the transportation of passengers

and freight on the route: ORMOC CITY-SAN

ISIDRO VIA ISABEL-PALOMPON & VICE

VERSA with the use of ONE (1) unit/s which

Certificate is valid and subsisting until NOVEM-

request authority for extension of validity of

the said certificate using the same number of

application will be heard by this Board on OCTOBER 27, 2020 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

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

GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO, Regional Director, this 25th day of SEPTEMBER,

(Sgd.) GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO

Regional Director

This application will be acted upon

Honorable

In the present application, applicant

NOTICE is hereby given that this

Applicant is a grantee of a Reconstituted

to operate a PUB service

Applicant/s

BER 15, 2020.

local circulation

evidence.

R8-EV/PA-PB-2020-09-20150746

Case No. VIII-2015-0746

Republic of the Philippines Department of Transportation and Communication LAND TRANSPORTATION

FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD Regional Office No. VIII Palo, Leyte

R8-CN-UV-2020-09-0264 Ref. Case No. VIII-2014-0436

Application for Change of Party/Name of **Applicant** of a Certificate of Public

Convenience to operate a UV EXPRESS service

SIDNEY M. ZOSA-Old Party Applicant VS GRAND TOURS CORPORÂTION-

New Party Applicant,

NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant-vendor request authority for the approval of Change Name of Applicant from SIDNEY M. ZOSA to VS GRAND TOURS CORPORATION of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a UV EXPRESS Service for the transportation of passengers and freights along the line: TACLOBAN CITY-ST. BERNARD VIA SOGOD & VICE VERSA with the use of **FIVE (5)** unit/s which Certificate is valid and subsisting until MAY 5, 2024.

In the present application, applicant request authority for Change of Party/Name of Applicant 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 OCTOBER 27, 2020 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

GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO, Regional Director, this 25th day of SEPTEMBER,

(Sgd.) GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO

Regional Director

# **DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE**

NOTICES

NOTICE is hereby given that ROSITA L. MABAJEN heir of the late Oscar Loreto executed a Deed of Self-Adjudication over a parcel of land known as Lot No. 9984, situated in the Bo. of Kansungka, Municipality of Baybay, Province of Leyte, covered by Tax Dec. No. 07-0059-00042 R-13, containing an area of 5,994 square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of Sps. MARLO D. RONTAL and ANNALYN M. RONTAL as vendee for the above-described property; per Doc. No. 102, Page No. 21, Book No. XLVII, Series of 2020 of Notary Public Atty. Eden B. Chavez-Butawan LSDE: Oct. 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AMONG HEIRS WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late DONALD K. HOLCOMB extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot 1680-A-1, Psd-08-022236-D being a portion of 1680-A, Psd-08-017916-D situated at Brgy. Naga-Naga, Palo, Leyte covered by TCT No. TP 19718 containing an area of 658sq.m., A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of CHUCHI JUANA CABREROS SEVILLA married to JAIME ORCULLO SEVILLA as vendees of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 299, Page 61, Book No. XXXII, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Jessica Joy U. Bendoy. LSDE: Oct. 3, 10 & 17, 2020

Republic of the Philippines Department of Transportation MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHÔRITY MÂRINA REGIONÂL OFFICE NO. VIII G/F Uytingkoc Building Senator Enage St., Tacloban City

RE: Application for Issuance of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) pursuant to the 2014 Amendments to the Revised Rules and Regulations implementing R.A. No. 9295 or the IRR of 2014.

CASE NO. MRO8 19-078

ELESAR M. MORILLO, Applicant

Before us is the above-entitled case which was filed with the Calbayog Satellite Unit (CSU) on **04 June 2018** and received by this Office on 11 September 2019, to wit:

ORDER

NAME OF SHIP'S OWNED MBca "L-SIERVO" & & MBca "PSIERVO 1"

SERVICE TO BE OFFERED For the carriage of Passengers

ROUTE TO BE SERVED Brgy. Sto. Niño, Biri, N. Samar-Lavezares, N. Samar and vice versa

SCHEDULE OF TRIPS

Non-scheduled/Chartered trips or depending on the availability of passengers and pursuant to the terms and conditions of the submitted Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) dated 05 July 2019 between and among shipowners/operators of motorbancas covered by the said MOA (the subject shipl included) and members of the Sto. Niño Motorboat Operators and Drivers Association

(Daytime Navigation only or from 4:30 AM - 5:30 PM)

SCHEDULE OF RATES PER LINK CARGO RATE **PASSENGER** 

ROUTE/PORTS/LINKS

Brgy. Sto. Niño, Biri, N. Samar-Lavezares, N. Samar

P80.00

Steel Bars P6.00/piece -12-16mm P8.00/piece P10.00/box Asstd. Grocery P15.00/sheet Yero (G.I. sheet)

Rice/Sugar

Rate/Unit

P30.00/sack

Drinks P12.00/box P10.00/container Container Notice is hereby given that Applicant shall present the jurisdictional, qualification, and

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FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY

BOARD

Regional Office No. VIII

Palo, Leyte

Application for Consolidation with

Extension of Validity of Cases of a Certificate of Public Convenience

MERIDA-ISABEL TRANSPORT

NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant request authority for the Consolidation of a Certificate of Public Convene-

ince to operate a FILCAB service for the trans-

portation of passengers and freights along the line: ISABEL-MERIDA & VICE VERSA with

the Delisting/Removal of THREE (3) unit/s,

in the petition previously filed. Re: Application for the Consolidation with Extension of Validity

Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a

NOTICE is hereby given that this

At least TEN (10) days prior to the above

plication will be heard by this Board on

OCTOBER 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at its

date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of

this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of

to operate a FILCAB service

COOPERATIVE (MITCO),

Applicant/s

FILCAB Service

local circulation.

office of the above address.

Case No. VIII-2019-0070

documentary requirements in a hearing to be conducted on 09 October 2020, Friday, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at this Office, G/F Uytingkoc Bldg., Senator Enage Street, Tacloban 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. The applicant shall submit a written Formal Offer of Evidence (FOE) during the hearing

or five (5) days thereafter. WITNESS, the Honorable Administrator, this 29TH day of September 2020 at Taclobar

City, Philippines.

(Sgd.) EFREN JUAN B. BORCI, JR. **Regional Director** 

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Applicant, Elesar M. Morillo, Brgy. Sto. Niño, Biri, N. Samar Office of the Solicitor General, 134 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Vill., Makati, MM CMB/MMC

SFSU Issuance No. O-NOH-1-2020-051 Reference No. TMRO-2020 20-049

> Republic of the Philippines Department of Transportation and

LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD

Regional Office No. VIII

Palo, Leyte

R8-EV/PA-UV-2020-09-20144148 Case No. VIII-2014-4148

Application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a UV EXPRESS service

Applicant/s

NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant is a grantee of a Reconstituted Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a UV EXPRESS Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: TACLOBAN CITY-BURAUEN & VICE VERSA with the use of THREE (3) unit/s which Certificate is valid and subsisting until **SEPTEMBER 24, 2020.** 

In the present application, applicant request authority for extension of validity of the said certificate using the same number of NOTICE is hereby given that this

application will be heard by this Board on OCTOBER 13, 2020 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 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 Honorable

GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO, Regional Director, this 24th day of SEPTEMBER,

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 WITNESS Honorable

GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO, Regional Director, this 28th day of SEPTEMBER,

(Sgd.) GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO

Republic of the Philippines Department of Transportation MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHÔRITY MÂRINA REGIONÂL OFFICE NO. VIII G/F Uytingkoc Building Senator Enage St., Tacloban City

RE: Application for Approval/Confirmation of Sale, Transfer and Conveyance of Ship pursuant to R.A No. 9295 and its IRR of 2014

CASE NO. MRO8 20-030

LILYGENE SEA TRANSPORT CORP.,

Applicant

Before us is the above-entitled case which was filed with this Office on 21 September 2020 to wit:

NAME OF SHIP MV "JERLYN KEANNU" TYPE OF SERVICE/OPERATION Cargo-Tramper

Notice is hereby given that Applicant shall present the jurisdictional, qualification, and documentary requirements in a hearing to be conducted on 14 October 2020, Wednesday, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at this Office, G/F Uytingkoc Bldg., Senator Enage Street,

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.

The applicant shall submit a written Formal Offer of Evidence (FOE) during the hearing or five (5) days thereafter.

WITNESS, the Honorable Administrator, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2020 at Tacloban City, Philippines.

#### (Sgd.) EFREN JUAN B. BORCI, JR. Regional Director

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Applicant-Vendor, Lilygene Sea Transport Corp., Lugay St., Guiuan, Eastern Samar Vendee, Jerlyn's Shipping Lines, Inc., Brgy. Poblacion Ward 5, Lugay St.,

Guiuan, E. Samar Office of the Solicitor General, 134 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Vill., Makati, MM File

ZCM/MMC SFSU Issuance No. O-NOH-1-2020-<u>048</u>

Reference No. TMRO-2020 20-046

# **DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL PARTITION WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late Adelina de la Cruz-Sales who died on October 7, 2006 in Pastrana, Leyte, extrajudicially partitioned and adjudicated over two parcels of land more particularly described as follows: 1) Lot 1661 A parcel of agricultural land consisting of 54,099 square meters (remaining portion) located at Brgy. Cancaraja, Pastrana, Leyte, covered by Tax Declaration No. 5955 in the name of Juliana Cahinde (mother of Adelina de la Cruz). 2) Lot 1662, A parcel of agricultural land consisting of 38,784 sq. meters (remaining portion) located at Brgy. Cancaraja, Pastrana, Leyte, covered by T.D. No. 979 in the name of Juliana Cahinde (mother of Adelina de la Cruz) for and in consideration of the above convenants, the parties herein being of legal age and with full civil capacity to enter into contract, they have hereby mutual agreed to extra-judicially settled and partition among themselves the above-described real properties by dividing the total area of both Lots 1661 and 1662 into four (4) equal parts, that is 23,220.75 sq.m. each, and thus adjudicate each one-fourth (1/4) share thereof, respectively, unto themselves including our Counsel de parte Atty. Joseph N. Escalona; per Doc. No. 08, Page No. 02, Book No. 29, Series of 2011 before Notary Public Atty. Carlos R. Arguelles. LSDE: Oct. 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# **DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DONATION**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late PACIENCIA LOPEZ CALUPAZ extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 2503-C of the subdivision plan, Psd-08-004908 consisting 100 square meters covered by TCT No. T-31364 and heirs hereby transfer and convey, by way of donation unto MARIA ALITA CALUPAZ AKESTER all rights and shares of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 191, Page 40, Book No. XXXIV, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Antonio C LSDE: Sept. 19, 26 & Oct. 3, 2020

# DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION OF TWO PARCELS OF LAND WITH **SALE OF A PORTION OF REAL PROPERTY**

NOTICE is hereby given that ERLINDA TIDULA heir of the late SPS. GREGORIO L. CAJES AND NATIVIDAD B. CAJES executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication over 2 parcels of land particularly described as; 1) An agricultural cocoland covered with TD No. ARP 5835, Property Identification No. 036-02 situated at Brgy. Burgos, Basey, Samar with an area of 0-18-90 sq.m. assessed value at Php2,840.00 market value at Php8,670.00; 2) An agricultural cocoland covered with TD No. ARP 5834, Property Identification No. 036-02 situated at So. Jonop, Brgy. Burgos, Basey, Samar with an area of 0-15-00 sq.m. assessed value at Php2,140.00 market value at Php6,486.00. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of SPS. OFELIA B. ADORZA AND RONNIE G. ADORZA as vendees of a portion of parcel 1 from the above-described property. Per Doc No. 96, Page No. 20, Book No. VII, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Filotea B.M. Estorninos. LSDE: Sept. 26 & Oct. 3 & 10, 2020

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-2020-09-0266 Case No. VIII-2020-0266

Application for Issuance of a of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a TRUCK FOR HIRE service with prayer to adopt trade name as EUNICE TRANSPORT SERVICE

LEAH S. LAGUNZAD, Applicant/s

NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant request authority for the Issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a TRUCK FOR HIRE Service for the transportation of passengers and freights along the line: "FROM DULAG, LEYTE TO ANY POINT IN REGION VIII & VICE VERSA" with the use of ONE (1) unit/s.

NOTICE is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on OCTOBER 13, 2020 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 Honorable

GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO, Regional Director, this 23rd day of SEPTEMBER,

(Sgd.) GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO Regional Director

(Sgd.) GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO

Regional Director

R8-EV/PA-PJ-2020-09-20144707 Case No. VIII-2014-4707 Application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience

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LAND TRANSPORTATION

FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY

BOARD

Regional Office No. VIII

Palo, Leyte

to operate a PUJ service LYDIA F. LACANDAZO Applicant/s

NOTICE OF HEARING Applicant is a grantee of a Reconstituted

Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of pasngers and freight on the route: TACLOBAN CITY-MAYORGA & VICE VERSA with the use of ONE (1) unit/s which Certificate is valid and subsisting until FEBRUARY 27, 2020.

In the present application, applicant request authority for extension of validity of the said certificate using the same number of

NOTICE is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on OCTOBER 13, 2020 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 WITNESS Honorable GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO, Regional

Director, this 23rd day of SEPTEMBER,

(Sgd.) GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO Regional Director

# PNP pushes buy-bust operations against illegal drugs amid COVID-19

MAASIN CITY-Even as the Philippine National Police (PNP) continues to implement health protocols in the fight against the unseen enemy, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (Covid-19), the fight against the "seen enemy" on illegal drugs goes on.

Police Colonel Dante Novicio, the new provincial PNP director, emphasized this point in a media briefing/Kapihan interview last week.

"Seventy (70) percent of the crimes committed are drugs-related," PCol. Novicio said.

He reported that in his two months stay as the new PNP chief in the province, there were already 10 buy-bust operations conducted, two of which were

bloody that resulted in the killing of the two high-value individuals (HVIs).

Novicio, who came from the Police Regional Office 8, assumed as provincial PNP director on July 22, taking the place of PCol. Nelson Eucogco, who was likewise transferred to PRO-8.

He said he was aware the Philippine Drugs Enforcement Agency (PDEA) had declared the whole province drug-cleared, but new players come in, so the police went on conducting surveillance of suspected drug dealers and users.

Meanwhile, Novicio expressed support to a bill introduced by Senator Bato De La Rosa, the equal footing bill, which reduced the minimum height requirements for those wanting to

join the ranks of the PNP.

"Bigyan chance yung mga hindi pinagpala sa height," the Tagalog-speaking Novicio said of the proposed legislation, saying performance on the job cannot be measured by height but by the right work attitude.

Once approved, the new height requirement will only be at least 5 feet and 2 inches for men from the previous 5 feet and 4 inches, and 5 feet for women, down from 5 feet and 2 inches.

The PNP is continually hiring every year to offset those who are retiring, so any interested individuals may just visit the PRO-8 website for details, Novicio advised.

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# Man who walked from Manila to Eastern Samar to receive assistance from LGU

TACLOBAN CITY - The municipal government of General Macarthur in Eastern Samar province are still to decide what possible assistance they would provide to a man who walked his way from Manila just to return to his hometown.

But upon his return, the municipal government provided Roel Navidad, 27, food packs and personal hygiene, Maria Josefina Corre, the town's disaster risk reduction management officer.

To recall, Navidad arrived at Gen. MacArthur last September 29 after walking almost a month.

According to him, he left Manila on the last week of August. He worked as a construction worker but lost his job after Luzon was placed under quarantine last March.

With no money, Navidad decided to return to Gen. MacArthur where he has relatives with whom he thought could help

As a locally stranded individual, Navidad has been placed in a quarantine facility by the municipal govern-

Being quarantined is nothing new to Navidad as he was earlier quarantined in Sorsogon on his way back home as part of the health protocols being enforced during this time of pandemic caused by the coronavirus disease(-COVID-19).

In Matnog, Sorsogon he boarded a ferry that brought him to Allen, Northern Sa-

From Allen, Navidad hitched-hike with a trucking service vehicle until he reached Jiabong town in Samar province, where



Roel Navidad, 27, walked for almost a month from Manila to General MacArthur, Eastern Samar. He said he decided to return to his hometown after he lost his work as a construction worker after a quarantine was imposed in Luzon last March due to COVID-19. (Credit Vince Yadao)

he again continued mother. his journey walking from the municipality until he reached a checkpoint at the Eastern Samar provincial livelihood and build border located in the a house in a vacant lot town of Taft where near his aunt house," he appeared to be extremely exhausted and famished after walking ond resident of Eastfor almost a month.

is not the first time that going home by their a resident of their town appeared at the border checkpoint coordination from the his way to return to local government unit. Oras town from San

"This is the 5th or Pedro City, Laguna. 6th time. As much as possible we require them to coordinate with us because there are times that our quarantine facilities are full. It was a blessing that at this time our village quarantine facilities is currently empty," she added.

After his quarantine, Navidad will stay with his aunt, a sister of his father who is a resident of the Brgy 3.

It was learned that he lost his father at young age and no idea the whereabouts of his

"His relatives has promised to help him. They pledged to given him a tricycle for his Corre said.

Navidad is the secern Samar province Corre said that this who take the risk of

> Last week, Peter without Roncales,19, pedaled

> > staying at the municipal quarantine facility and received several assistance.

For one, the municipal government of Oras promised to build a house and even a livelihood for Roncales.

Christopher Sen. Bong Go also extended assistance to Roncales and promised to help his family in San Pedro City to also return to Oras.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)

# Gov. Ongchuan visits livestock farm in Pambujan town



Northern Samar Governor Edwin Ongchuan inspects the Libas Estate in Pambujan to check on the viability of a multiplier farm livestock agricultural communities which aim to make the town and the rest of the province as self-sufficient in terms of breed stocks. (NORTHERN SAMAR PROVINCIAL INFORMATION OFFICE)

CATARMAN, Northern Samar- Governor Edwin Ongchuan inspects Libas Estate in Pambujan, checks on the viability of a Multiplier Farm agricultural Livestock communities may soon self-sufficient become in terms of breed stocks since the Provincial Agriculture Office and the Provincial Veterinary Office propose to manage their own farm animal stations, from which livestock farmers can readily get their supply.

The multiplier farm concept brings animal reproduction to the communities where the beneficiary farmers are. The multiplier farm will then propagate these breeders and their offspring will be distributed to the farmer-beneficiaries.

Along with farm animals, vegetable seedlings are also hoped to be produced in the multiplier farm for distribution to local farmers.

Dubbed as the 'Libas Estate Multiplier Farm'

project, if approved, will have pure bred stocks which will also be used in upgrading the quality of breed through their offspring. The multiplier farm will assure steady livestock supply to various markets.

The provincial government also sees the project as a potential for farm tourism.

(NORTHERN SAMAR PRO-VINCIAL **INFORMATION** OFFICE)



Republic of the Philippines Province of Eastern Samai Municipality of Salcedo

#### OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

Authored/Introduced by

JOSELITO C. ESQUIERDO Sangguniang Bayan Member

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2020 - 04

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATIONS OF COMMERCIAL AND BACKYARD PIGGERY, POULTRY AND OTHER LIVESTOCK OR ANIMAL FARMS EXCLUDING COMMER-CIAL GAME FOWL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SALCEDO, EASTERN SAMAR, PROVIDING PENALTIES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Salcedo, Eastern Samar in session

#### ARTCLE 1 - TITLE, LEGAL BASIS AND OBJECTIVES

Section 1-This Ordinance shall be known as the "PIGGERY AND POULTRY RAISING REGULATION ORDINANCE" in the Municipality of Salcedo;

Section 2- Legal Basis: xxx Section 3 – Objectives: xxx

ARTICLE II - SCOPE, COVERAGE APPLICATION AND DEFINITION OF TERMS:

Section 4 – Scope and Coverage: xxx Section 5 - Definition of Terms: xxx

ARTICLE III - ADMINISTRATIVE AND ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS:

Section 6 - Creation and Composition of Municipal Livestock Task Force: xxx Section 7– Functions of the Municipal Livestock Task Force: xxx Section 8 - Role of the Municipal Sanitation Inspector and/or the Barangay Sanitation Inspector: xxx

Section 9 - The Municipal Sanitation Officer may recommend to the Municipal Livestock Task Force or the Local Chief Executive for the closure of the piggery and poultry whether commercial or backyard, when upon verification:

- It continually violates this ordinance despite notice and warning; Operate without license/permit; or, b.
- - Fail to take corrective action despite notice and warnings

#### ARTICLE IV - GENERAL AND STANDARD PROVISION:

Section 10 – Upon effectivity of this ordinance, the Office of the Municipal Agricultural Services shall conduct a comprehensive census of all piggery and poultry farms whether commercial or backyard in the Municipality of Salcedo. Such census shall list the facility owner/operator/contract grower (if on lease-contract and the duration of lease), location and area of farm, number of fowls, heads, swine and hogs and an inventory of the existing facilities:

Further, The Office of the Municipal Agricultural Services shall keep record of all livestock animal farms that have been issued permits and registration certificates as well as the renewal thereof;

Section 11 – All piggery and poultry, whether commercial or backvard, are required to be registered or recorded in the Barangay where the same are located;

Section 12 – Piggery, poultry and other livestock or animal farms whether commercial or backvard shall conform to the following locational requirements:

- a. Situated preferably in high topography and broad terrain for good ventilation; b. Flood prone areas and other environmentally critical areas like water shed,
- source of water supply, shall be strictly forbidden; c. Piggery and poultry farm whether commercial or poultry shall not be located with-
- in a twenty-five (25) meters radius from sources of ground and surface drinking water;
  d. Commercial piggery and commercial poultry farms shall be at least fifty (50) meters away from the built-up areas (residential, commercial, institutional, and industrial) while back yard piggery or backyard poultry shall be at least twenty-five (25) meters away from such built-up areas;

e. Commercial piggery and commercial poultry shall be fifty (50) meters away from the highway or major roads;

f. Commercial piggery and commercial poultry farms shall be at least fifty (50) me ters away from one another to minimize spread of pests and to reduce concentration of air pollutants in a given area. While for backyard poultry and piggery shall be twenty

g. It shall be unlawful to directly discharge animal wastes (piggery and poultry) in any irrigation canal, river or riverbanks or any body of water, especially to neighbor houses;

Section 13 – It shall be unlawful for any person to use the structure of piggery whether commercial or backyard or within the premises thereof as slaughter area, irre spective of the number of heads;

#### ARTICLE V - REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL PIGGERY AND POULTRY:

Section 14 - All commercial piggery and commercial poultry shall secure a municipal permit before operating. Further, shall be required to secure a locational clearance from the Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator, and furthermore, all plans, designs, specifications and special features of the proposed commercial piggery farms and commercial poultry farms structure must be submitted to the Office of the Municipal Agricultural Services thru the Agricultural Technologist (AT) in-charge on Livestock for review and approval prior to the issuance of municipal permit:

Section 15 - The fees payable on applications and/or renewal for municipal permits and registration for commercial piggery and commercial poultry including the require-ments and certification thereof shall be in accordance to the existing Municipal Revenue Code, other ordinances, rules and regulations;

#### ARTICLE VI - REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR BACKYARD PIGGERY AND POULTRY:

Section 16 - Backyard piggery and backyard poultry shall be subject to the regula tion from the Barangay concerned;

# ARTICLE VII - MISCELLANEOUS:

Section 17 - All existing or intending to establish, put-up and operate commercial and backyard piggery, shall comply with the method of raising swine referred to as

Section 18 – There shall have a transition period one year (1) for existing piggery whether commercial or backyard piggery to comply with the "Baboyang Walang Amoy", the Office of the Municipal Agricultural Services shall be mandated to organize and train the owners of existing piggery upon effectivity of this ordinance. Further, the Office of the Municipal Agricultural Services shall be responsible for the dissemination and information for the application of "baboyang walang amoy" to new owners intending to establish piggery;

Section 19 –. The Municipal Sanitary Inspector and the Office of the Municipal Agricultural Services shall closely work and collaborate together in the enforcement of the provisions of this ordinance. Further, they shall conduct massive information education and communication campaigns of the provisions hereof within one (1) year, after its ef-

The Salcedo Municipal Police personnel shall assist in the implementation and enforcement of violation/s of this ordinance, including closure of the piggery and poultry farm and imposition of penalty;

Towards this end, to fully implement the purpose of the "baboyang walang amoy", the Office of the Municipal Agricultural Services shall formulate programs and activities in the provision of rice husk or rice hull to its target beneficiaries.

# ARTICLE VIII - PENAL CLAUSE:

Section 20 – Any person or persons who by acts or omission violates any provision of this ordinance shall be penalized on the following: Reprimand

- 2. Second Offense . . . .
- Php 1,500.00 3. Third & Succeeding Offense . . .
- Php 2,5000 or an imprisonment of not less than one (1) month nor more than six (6) months, or both at the discretion of

Further, this shall not prejudice the right of the Municipal Sanitary Inspector and/or the Office of the Municipal Agricultural Services to recommend its suspension or revocation of the permit and/or closure, including dismantling of the structure;

ARTICLE IX - FINAL PROVISIONS:

Section 21 - Separability Clause - xxx

Section 22- Repealing clause - This ordinance shall repeal Sections 101 - 105, Chap ter XVII of Municipal Ordinance No. 17-02. Series of 2015 entitled "HEALTH AND SANITA-TION CODE OF SALCEDO, EASTERN SAMAR". Further, all ordinances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with or in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 23 - Effectivity clause - xxx

Enacted and Approved: August 10, 2020 at Salcedo, Eastern Samar.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance which was duly ad opted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Salcedo, E. Samar during its regular session on August

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> **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2020-05** Series of 2020

AN ORDINANCE OPERATIONALIZING FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (FOI) IN THE MU-NICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF SALCEDO, EASTERN SAMAR AND PROVIDING GUIDELINES

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Ordained that:

SECTION 1. Title. This ordinance shall be known as the "FOI Ordinance of Salcedo, Eastern Samar'

SECTION 2. Definition of Terms. xxx

**SECTION 3. Coverage.** This order shall cover all municipal government offices under Municipal Government of Salcedo, Eastern Samar.

**SECTION 4. Access to Information.** Every Filipino of legally capacitated, resident or non-resident of Salcedo, Eastern Samar shall have access to information, official records, public records and to documents and papers pertaining to official acts, transactions or decisions, as well as to government research data used as basis for policy development, in the custody of the Municipal Government of Salcedo, Eastern Samar or any of its offices.

SECTION 5. Exceptions. Freedom of information (FOI) shall be denied when the information falls under any of the exceptions enshrined in the Constitution, existing law, or

Pursuant to this ordinance, the Office of the Municipal Mayor shall conduct a local inventory of FOI exceptions and thereafter issue an order/memorandum for the guidance of the municipal government offices covered by this ordinance.

SECTION 6. Availability of SALN. Subject to the provisions contained in Sections 4 and 5 of this ordinance, all public officials of the Municipal Government of Salcedo. Eastern Samar are reminded of their obligation to file and make available for scrutiny their State ments of Assets, Liabilities and Net Worth (SALN) in accordance with existing laws, rules and regulations, and the spirit and letter of this ordinance.

SECTION 7. Application and Interpretation. There shall be a legal presumption in favor of access to information, public records and official records. No request for information shall be denied unless it clearly falls under any of the exceptions in the inventory of FOI

The determination of the applicability of any of the exceptions to the request shall be the responsibility of the Head of the Office, which is in custody or control of the information, public record or official record, or the responsible provincial or field officer duly designated by him in writing.

In making such determination, the Head of the Office or his designated officer shall exercise reasonable diligence to ensure that no exception shall be used or availed of to deny any request for information or access to public records, or official records if the denial is intended primarily and purposely to cover up a crime, wrongdoing, graft or corruption.

SECTION 8. Protection of Privacy. While providing access to information, public records, and official records, responsible officials shall afford full protection to the right to privacy of the individual, pursuant to the Data Privacy Act of 2012 (Republic Act No. 10173)

- (a) Each municipal government office shall ensure that personal information in its custody or under its control is disclosed or released only if it is material or relevant to the subject matter of the request and its disclosure is permissible under this ordinance or existing law, rules or regulations;
- (b) Each municipal government office must protect personal information in its custody or control by making reasonable security arrangements against leaks or premature disclosure of personal information, which unduly exposes the individual, whose personal information is requested, to vilification, harassment or any other wrongful acts.
- (c) Any employee or official of the municipal government office who has access, authorized or unauthorized, to personal information in the custody of the office, must not disclose that information except when authorized under this ordinance or pursuant to existing laws, rules or regulation.

SECTION 9. Procedure. The following procedure shall govern the filing and processing of request for access to information:

- (a) Any person who requests access to information shall submit a written request to the municipal government office concerned. The request shall state the name and contact information of the requesting party, provide valid proof of his identification or authorization, reasonably describe the information requested, and the reason for, or purpose of, the request for information: Provided, that no request shall be denied or refused acceptance unless the reason for the request is contrary to law, existing rules and regulations or it is one of the exceptions.
- (b) The public official receiving the request shall be designated the FOI Receiving Officer and shall provide reasonable assistance, free of charge, to enable all requesting parties and particularly those with special needs, to comply with the request requirements under
- (c) The request shall be stamped by the concerned municipal government office, indicating the date and time of receipt and the name, rank, title and position of the FOI receiving officer with the corresponding signature, and a copy thereof furnished to the requesting party. Each municipal government office shall establish a system to trace the status of all requests for information received by it. (d) The concerned municipal government office shall respond to a request fully com-
- pliant with requirements of sub-section (a) hereof as soon as practicable but not exceeding fifteen (15) working days from the receipt thereof (e) The period to respond may be extended whenever the information requested requires extensive search of the government office's records facilities, examination of volumi-
- nous records, the occurrence of fortuitous cases or other analogous cases. The concerned government office shall notify the person making the request of the extension, setting forth the reasons for such extension. In no case shall the extension go beyond twenty (20) work ing days unless exceptional circumstances warrant a longer period.

(f) Once a decision is made to grant the request, the person making the request shall be notified of such decision and directed to pay any applicable fees.

SECTION 10. Fees. No fees shall be charged for accepting requests for access to information. However, the usual certification fee shall be charged if the desired request is for the issuance of a certified true copy of the information requested.

The fee shall be paid to the Municipal Treasurer at the time of the request, whether written or verbal. The Official Receipt number, the amount of the total fees, and the date of payment shall be indicated at the bottom of the certificate.

SECTION 11. Notice of Denial. If the concerned government office decides to deny the request, in whole or in part, it shall as soon as practicable, in any case within fifteen (15) working days from the receipt of the request, or within twenty (20) working days in case of extension, whichever is applicable, notify the requesting party the denial in writing. The notice shall clearly set forth the ground or grounds for denial and the circumstances on which the denial is based. Failure to notify the requesting party of the action taken on the request within the period herein stipulated shall be deemed a denial of the request for access to information.

SECTION 12. Remedies in Cases of Denial of Request for Access to Information.

(a) Denial of any request for access to information may be appealed to the Office of the Mayor, following the procedure mentioned in Section 9 of this ordinance: Provided, that the written appeal must be filed by the same person making the request within fifteen (15) calendar days from the notice of denial or from the lapse of the relevant period to respond to the request

(b) The appeal shall be decided by the Office of the Mayor within fifteen (15) calen dar days from the filing of said written appeal. Failure of the Office of the Mayor to decide within the afore-stated period shall be deemed the approval of the appeal.

(c) Upon exhaustion of administrative appeal remedies, the requesting party may file the appropriate case in the proper courts in accordance with the Rules of Court.

**SECTION 13. Keeping of Records.** Subject to existing laws, rules, and regulations, government offices shall create and/or maintain accurate and reasonably complete records of important information in appropriate formats, and implement a records management system that facilitates easy identification, retrieval and communication of infor

mation to the public. **SECTION 14. Penalties.** Failure of any government officer to comply with the *provi*sions of this ordinance shall be a ground for the following penalties:

- Reprimand;

- Suspension of not more than 1 months Suspension of not more than 2 months;

3rd Offense 4th & succeeding Offenses - Dismissal from the service

SECTION 16. Separability Clause.

SECTION 17. Repealing Clause.

SECTION 18. Effectivity. This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation and posting in 3 conspicuously places within the municipality of Salcedo, Eastern Samar.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance which was duly

adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Salcedo, Eastern Samar during its regular session on August 10, 2020. BIBIANA A. TORRES

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**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2020-06** Series of 2020

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE "AY SALCEDO" AS THE OFFICIAL HYMN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SALCEDO, EASTERN SAMAR, PRESCRIBING ITS MANDATORY SING-ING DURING OFFICIAL AND FORMAL FUNCTIONS. ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT OF SALCEDO AND PROVIDING PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS

THEREOF. BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Salcedo, Eastern Samar in session assembled today:

# TITLE I - TITLE, SCOPE AND DEFINITION OF TERMS

Section 1- Short Title - This ordinance shall be known, as the "SALCEDO OFFICIAL HYMN ORDINANCE" in the Municipality of Salcedo. Section 2- Scope - xxx

Section 3 - Definition of Terms - xxx entitled "Av Salcedo", written and arranged a. Official Hymn - shall refer to a song, by Mrs. Elisea B. Abella: b. Official and formal functions, activities and programs - Any event or occasion

# accommodated by the Local Government Unit of Salcedo that involves the general public TITLE II – REGULATORY PROVISIONS

Section 4 - Official Lyrics - The "Ay Salcedo" must always be sang in original language (waray-waray) in which it was composed:

Av Salcedo Composed and Lyrics by: Mrs. Elisea B. Abella

Ay Salcedo, tuna ko nga natawhan, Hinin kinabuhi ikaw an ak kalinayan Mga kaurupdan, ug mga kasangkayan Magpanhiyum-hiyum, tambal han kagul-anan.

Av Salcedo minahal nga hungto Bisan kun hirayo, mabalik gihap ha imo Akon ig-aamno an imo kauswagan An at higugma'ay ug an kamurayawan. Koro: An im kabukiran, dagat o kapatagan,

Ginpupulsan kaupay han mga katawhan Angay gud ugupan kay nabubuhi-an Ikaw, O Salcedo an ak kamamatyan.

Section 5 – Rhythm of the Official Hymn – The "Ay Salcedo", shall have a rhythm in four - fourth (4/4) heat:

Section 6-Singing of the Official Hymn - The "Ay Salcedo" shall be sang after the singing of the National Anthem during official and formal functions, activities and programs accommodated by the Local Government Unit of Salcedo. While singing of the official hymn, all persons shall stand in attention, with the hands down.

Section 7 - Implementing Office - The Office of the Municipal Tourism shall be tasked to carry out the implementation of the provision of this ordinance. It shall be

responsible in the circularizing and enhancement of the musical arrangement of the hymn, including audio-visual and cinematographic presentation of the official hymn. Further, digital/video copies shall be distributed to 41 barangays.

To fully implement the use of the official hymn, the rights and ownership reserved to the composer shall be transferred to the Local Government Unit of Salcedo.

Section 8 - Prohibited Acts on the usage of the Hymn – It shall be prohibited to: a. By any act or omission change the lyrics and rhythm of the official hymn with the

intention to dishonor or ridicule upon the official hymn;
b. To sing or play the official hymn for mere recreation, amusement, or entertain-

- ment purposes, either in stage or social media sites; c. To display the official hymn whether its title or lyrics for business purposes;
- d. To print, paint or attach the lyrics whether full or partial on any articles of mer chandise, except upon for LGU government official representations;

  - e. To use the official hymn for political activities or for election propaganda; f. To be used by any individual, organization or association whether for legitimate
- purpose, except approved by the local government unit of Salcedo; g. To plagiarize the lyrics of the Official Hymn;
- h. Any other circumstances of a similar acts analogous to those above-mentioned.

  Section 9 Modification in the Lyrics of the Municipal Official Hymn The official hymn shall not be modified, unless:
- a. By enactment of an ordinance modifying the same;
- b. Any modification shall be made for approval of the original composer or by the Culture and Arts Board and only once every ten (10) years, unless otherwise provided by law or ordinance.

#### TITLE III - PENAL PROVISIONS

Section 10 - Penalty - Any person or group of persons who by acts or omission violates the provision this ordinance shall be penalized by:

- 1. First Offense. . . . . . . . . . Reprimand and fine of 500.00

Further, if committed by LGU Salcedo officials or employees shall be imposed by a fine of Php 2,5000 or an imprisonment of not less than one (1) month nor more than six (6) months, or both at the discretion of the court. Furthermore, the penalty under this ordinance shall not prejudice the filing of any separate administrative, civil and criminal

#### ARTICLE IV - FINAL PROVISIONS

Section 11 - Separability Clause - xxx

Section 12 - Repealing clause - xxx
Section 13 - Effectivity clause - This Ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after it has been posted in two (2) conspicuous places and publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Enacted and Approved: August 10, 2020 at Salcedo, Eastern Samar.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance which was duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Salcedo, Eastern Samar during its regular session on August 10, 2020.

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**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2020-07** 

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAL-CEDO, EASTERN SAMAR, REGULATING ITS USE AND PROVIDING PENALTY FOR VIOLA-TIONS THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Salcedo, Eastern Samar in session assembled today:

TITLE I - TITLE AND SYMBOLISM:

Section 1- Short Title - This ordinance shall be known, as the OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SALCEDO, EASTERN SAMAR.

Section 2- Symbolism - The Municipal Official Seal have the following symbol:



The Official Seal of the Local Government Unit of Salcedo displays the white shield which shows the Sun and 3-Stars, on the left is the image of coconut tree and on the

SHIELD – Symbolizes the duty of the Local Government Unit of Salcedo to defend and protect the general welfare of all Salcedonhons, through delivery of efficient and effective provision of the basic services. SUN AND THREE STARS - adopted from the Philippine flag which symbolizes the

first eight provinces that revolted against the Spanish colonial government, while the 3-stars represents the 3 main island groups.

COCONUT TREE AND FISH – Symbolizes that farming (copra) and fishing are the major livelihoods in the municipality of Salcedo.

YELLOW BACKGROUND (CIRCLE) – Symbolizes freedom, unity and democracy. ROYAL BLUE BACKGROUND (CIRCLE) – Symbolizes valor, courage and patriotism YEAR 1862 – Year when the Municipality or pueblo of Salcedo was founded.

# TITLE II - REGULATORY PROVISIONS

Section 3 – Usage of the Official Seal – Only the Local Government Unit of Salcedo and its officials and employees shall have the authority to use the official seal for the a. As personality of the Local Government Unit of Salcedo, in all of its affairs wheth-

- er internal or corporate affairs and within or outside of its territorial jurisdiction;
  b. To authenticate all LGU official and public documents and other administrative
- and executive issuances; and

c. As letter heading in all LGU official communications or correspondence; Section 4—Custodian of the Original Lay-out of the Seal — The Secretary to the Sanggunian shall have the custody of the original lay-out or draft of the official seal of the Municipality of Salcedo. And shall also be responsible in the registration and filing of the Official Seal to the National Historical Commission of the Philippines or any ap-

- Section 5 Prohibited Acts on the Usage of the Seal It shall be prohibited to: a. By any act or omission, mutilate, deface, defile, trample on, or cast contempt with
- the intention to dishonor or ridicule upon the Official Seal;
  b. To display the Official Seal under any frame or picture of a person or profile picture of social medias, like Facebooks, except for LGU government official representations; c. To display the Official Seal in a platform or stage during programs or activities not
- directly or indirectly hosted by the Local Government Unit of Salcedo, unless upon the permission of the LGU;
- d. To add any word, figure, mark picture, design, drawings, advertisement, or imprint of any nature which causes or likely to cause degradation on the Official Seal;
- e. To print, paint or attach representation of the Official Seal whether full or partial on t-shirts, handkerchief, fan or other articles of merchandise, except upon for LGU government official representations;
- f. To use or display the Official Seal as part of any advertisement or infomercial except when undertaken by the Local Government Unit of Salcedo; g. To use or display the Official Seal as part of seminar, conferences, research or any
- activity except when undertaken by the Local Government Unit of Salcedo; h. To be used for commercial or business purposes, except upon the authority of the
- LGU; i. To be used by any organization or association whether for legitimate purpose, except
- when approved by the Local Government Unit of Salcedo; j. To use the Official Seal for unlawful purposes;
- k. To use the Official Seal as personal seal of any government official; and l. Any other circumstances of a similar in nature and analogous to those above-men-
- Section 6 Modification in the design of the Municipal Official Seal The official seal, its symbols, including its colors shall not be modified, unless:
  a. By enactment of an ordinance modifying the same;
- b. Any modification shall be made for in accordance with the vision of the Municipality and only once every ten (10) years. Section 7 – The dry seal of the local government unit of Salcedo – There shall be an

adopted official dry seal in authenticating or subscribing official and public documents or administrative and executive issuances. The dry seal shall contain the official seal of the local government unit of Salcedo

- Section 8 Prohibited acts on the usage of the dry seal It shall be prohibited to: a. Use by any offices other than the office of the mayor;
- b. Affix the dry seal on a paper not authentic, not official and not public documents;
   c. Affix the dry seal on a document for unlawful purposes;
- d. Affix the dry seal on a document done outside the office or office hours; e. To use the dry seal as personal dry seal of any official and
- f. Any other circumstances of a similar in nature and analogous to those above-men-

#### TITLE III - PENAL PROVISIONS:

**Section 9 - Penalty –** Any person or persons who by acts or omission violates the provisions of this ordinance shall be penalized on the following:

- 1. First offense . . . . . . . . . . Reprimand and fine of 500.00
- 2. Second Offense . . . . . . . . . . . . . Php 1,000.00
- . . Php 2,500.00 or an imprisonment of not less than

Furthermore, the penalty under this ordinance shall not prejudice the filing of a separate criminal, administrative or civil liability.

#### ARTICLE IV - FINAL PROVISIONS:

Section 10 - Implementation - This Ordinance shall be self-executory. The Office of the Municipal Mayor shall be responsible for the implementation and enforcement of the provisions and penalty of this ordinance.

Section 11 - Separability Clause - xxx Section 12 - Repealing clause - xxx Section 13 - Effectivity clause - xxx

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> **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2020-08** Series of 2020

AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING A DRUG - FREE WORKPLACE POLICY IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF SALCEDO AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION THEREOF.

NOW. THEREFORE. BE IT ORDAINED as it is hereby ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Salcedo, in session duly assembled, THAT

Section 1. Short Title - This Ordinance shall be known as the "Drug-Free Workplace Policy in the Municipality Salcedo, Eastern Samar."

Section 2. Objective – This Ordinance aims to ensure that all public officers and personnel of the municipality of Salcedo, both elective and appointive, remain drug free in order to continuously provide effective and efficient service to the people.

Section 3. Scope – This Ordinance covers all elective and appointive public officers and personnel of the municipality of Salcedo, including barangay officials and job order

Section 4. Definition of Terms - xxx

- Section 5. Establishment of the Drug-Free Workplace Committee There shall be a Drug - Free Workplace Committee which shall ensure the proper implementation and dissemination of this Ordinance. The Committee shall be composed of the following: a. Local Chief Executive
  - b. Head of the Human Resource Management Office (HRMO)
  - c. Head of the Municipal Health Office d. Representative of the Employee's Unior
- e. Representative of the Municipal Anti Drug Abuse Council (MADAC) f. ABC Fed Pres.

  - Section 6. Establishment of an Assessment Team There shall be an Assessment

Team to be created by the Local Chief Executive which shall assist in the conduct of substance abuse awareness and prevention programs and implement the Employee Assistance Program for personnel who wish to undergo drug use intervention. It shall be composed of personnel with educational and training background on medicine, psychology, social work, and human resources administration.

Section 7. Aspects of the Drug - Free Workplace Policy:

- a. Pre-Employment Drug Testing Mandatory drug testing shall remain an essen tial requirement for entry into government service. Any applicant found positive for drug use shall be denied entry to government service.
- b. Substance Abuse Awareness and Prevention Programs The Assessment Team shall initiate and implement these programs to ensure that personnel are properly informed on the evils of drug use, including its physical, mental, social, and legal impli-
- c. Authorized Drug Testing The Drug Free Workplace Committee and the Assessment Team shall implement a random selection procedure in order to determine personnel who shall undergo drug testing.
- d. Employee Assistance Program Any personnel, prior to the conduct of Authorized Drug Testing, may seek intervention through the Employee Assistance Program, which shall provide referrals and additional services to the personnel concerned. A drug dependency examination shall be conducted in order to determine the level of Substance Use Disorder and the applicable intervention. This Program shall not apply to personnel who are found to be positive for drug use after the conduct of confirmatory drug test in an Authorized Drug Testing activity.

Section 8. Guidelines in the Conduct of Authorized Drug Testing

- a. The Local Chief Executive, in consultation with the Drug Free Workplace Committee, shall determine the frequency and dates for the conduct of an authorized drug testing, the purpose of which is to prevent the entry of dangerous drugs in government offices and use of dangerous drugs among its personnel. The frequency of such testing shall be conducted in random manner. Information relating to frequency and dates re lating to drug testing shall be treated with utmost confidentiality.
- b. Drug testing shall be done by any government forensic laboratory or any of the local Drug testing laboratories accredited and monitored by the Department of Health (DOH). c. Personnel selected to undergo drug testing shall immediately report to the Local
- Chief Executive, the Drug Free Workplace Committee, and / or the Assessment Team Personnel who, without any justifiable reason, fail to report for drug testing shall be sanctioned in accordance with Section 9 hereof. d. Upon discovery that a urine sample tested positive for use of dangerous drugs
- after confirmatory testing, the result shall immediately be made known to the Local Chief Executive, who shall notify the public officer/employee/personnel concerned. The latter shall have fifteen (15) days from receipt of notice to challenge the result of the confirmatory test. Using the same specimen, a challenge test shall be conducted by a drug testing laboratory accredited by the DOH. All expenses incurred in the conduct of the challenge test shall be borne by the concerned public officer/employee/personnel. e. A positive drug test result from the challenge test is deemed final and the public
- officer shall be subjected to administrative proceedings. Failure to file a challenge within the prescribed period shall make the positive drug test result from the confirmatory drug test final. The Agency shall then take the appropriate action. f. All drug test results and records shall strictly be held confidential, and shall be

attached to the 201 File of all officials and employees. Only the Local Chief Executive as the case maybe, and the members of the Assessment Team shall have access to such Section 9. Sanctions:

port without any valid reason, to submit himself/herself to authorized drug testing, or

is found positive for drug use after the conduct of a confirmatory test in an authorized

a. Any appointive public officer/employee/personnel who refuses or fails to re-

drug testing activity shall be subject to administrative offense of Grave Misconduct. b. Any elective public officer who refuses or fails to report without any valid reason to submit himself/herself to authorized drug testing, or is found positive for drug use after the conduct of a confirmatory test in an authorized drug testing activity shall be subject to disciplinary action for misconduct in office pursuant to Section 60 of the Local Government Code and Article 124 (3) of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the

c. Any public officer/employee/personnel found to have tampered the result of a drug test, interfered with the conduct of the drug test or in the release of drug test  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{I}}$ results, or violated rules of confidentiality of records shall be charged with the administrative offense of Grave Misconduct without prejudice to the filing of a case for violation of Section 32, Article II of RA 9165 or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002 d. Any public officer/employee/personnel who violated the provisions of Article

II of RA 9165 shall be charged with the administrative offense of Grave Misconduct or face disciplinary sanction under Section 60 of the Local Government Code, as the case may be, without prejudice to the filing of criminal charges under RA 9165 and other Section 10. Confidentiality - Any person who, having official custody or access to

all data and information relative to the conduct of the authorized drug testing, or anyone who, having gained possession of such data and information, reveals their content to any person not authorized to have access thereto, shall be prosecuted for violation of Section 32, Article II of RA 9165.

Section 11. Funding – The cost of the drug testing for all the officers/employees/ personnel of the Municipal Government of Salcedo shall be charged to the MADAC fund of the MLGU, while the Barangay Officials shall be charged from their respective BADAC fund and shall form part of its annual budgetary appropriation.

Section 12. Reporting - The Local Chief Executive shall ensure that a copy of this Ordinance shall be communicated to the Dangerous Drugs Board and the Department of the Interior and Local Government for information. Thereafter, the Local Chief Executive shall also report to said agencies the conduct of authorized drug testing and provide data as to the number of persons who were subjected to drug testing, the number of persons found positive for drug use, and the action undertaken by the Local Chief Exec utive on persons found positive for drug use.

Section 13. Separability Clause - xxx

Local Government Code.

Section 14. Repealing Clause - xxx

Section 15. Effectivity Clause - This Ordinance shall take effect, after its posting and publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Enacted and Approved: August 10, 2020 at Salcedo, Eastern Samar. I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance which was duly

adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Salcedo, Eastern Samar during its regular session on August 10, 2020.

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Republic of the Philippines Province of Eastern Samar Municipality of Salcedo

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

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Introduced/Authored by:

Atty. Christian May L. Machica Sangguniang Bayan Member

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2020-09** Series of 2020

AN ORDINANCE MANDATING NEW CURFEW HOURS FOR CHILDREN FROM 9:00 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING TO 4:00 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING, PRESCRIBING THE PROPER PROCEDURE FOR THEIR APPREHENSION AND CUSTODY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, THEREBY AMENDING MUNICIPAL OR-DINANCE NO. 08-01 SERIES OF 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED as it is hereby ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Salcedo, in session duly assembled, THAT:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE - This Ordinance shall be known as the "AMEND-ED CURFEW ORDINANCE IN THE MUNICAPALITY OF SALCEDO."

**SECTION 2. COVERAGE.** – This ordinance shall apply to all minors/children within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Salcedo, whether res-

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS: xxx

#### **SECTION 4. PROHIBITED ACTS:**

a. It shall be unlawful for any minor to loiter, ramble, saunter, stray or wander in the streets, plaza and other public places within the municipality of Salcedo between nine o'clock (9:00) at night time to four o'clock (4:00) in the morning, when he/she is not accompanied by a parent or guardian;

b. It shall be unlawful for a parent/guardian of a minor to knowingly or by insufficient control allow such minor to be outside of their residence between nine o'clock (9:00) at night time to four o'clock (4:00) in the morning;

c. It shall be unlawful for any owner, manager, or operator of any videoke bar, Internet Café, billiard/pool, and convenience store within the Municipality of Salcedo to knowingly or causing to allow minors to be in their place of business between nine o'clock (9:00) at night time to four o'clock (4:00) in the morning.

**SECTION 5. EXCEPTIONS** – The provisions of Section 4 hereof shall not be applicable in the following situations:

- a. The child is involved in an emergency situation. This includes unforeseen circumstances, or the status or condition resulting therefrom, requiring immediate action to safeguard life, limb or property. The term also includes, but is not limited to fires, calamities, disasters, automobile accidents, or other similar circumstances.
- b. The child is engaged in an employment activity or school class, and is returning home from such activity or class, without detour or stop.
- c. The child is on the sidewalk directly abutting the place where he re-
- d. The child is attending an activity sponsored by a school, religious, or civic organization, or by a public organization or agency, or by a similar organization or entity, as long as the activity is supervised by adults and the child is going to or returning home from such activity, without detour or stop.
  - e. The child is accompanied by his parent or guardian.
  - f. The child is on an errand and has in his possession a written permission

to do so from his parent or guardian. The ID and contact number of the parent or guardian must be attached to the permission for verification

g. On the occasions of legal holidays, special holidays, fiesta celebrations sponsored by the municipality or by the barangay, and other special family occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries.

SECTION 6. PROCEDURE FOR TAKING THE CHILD INTO CUSTODY - Republic Act No. 9344 otherwise known as the Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006 as amended by Republic Act No. 10630, prescribes proper procedures to be observed by the law enforcement officer in taking the child into custody, to wit:

### SECTION 7. OBLIGATIONS AND LIABILITIES OF PARENT/S OR GUARDIAN/S

- The parents or guardians who are in actual custody or living together with the child are under obligation to supervise the conduct and activities of the child and see to it that the latter is already in their home before and during the curfew hours for children.

SECTION 8. IF PARENTS, GUARDIANS OR NEAREST RELATIVES CANNOT BE LOCATED, OR REFUSES TO TAKE CUSTODY OF THE CHILD - If the parents, guardians or nearest relatives cannot be located, or if they refuse to take custody, the child may be released to any of the following:

- a. Duly registered non-governmental (e.g. Plan Phils.) or religious organi-
- b. Barangay official or a member of the Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC);
  - c. Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office

SECTION 9. PENALTIES – The following penalties shall be imposed on the child, his/her parent or guardian if found to be in violation of this Ordinance:

- a. First Offense The child violating this Ordinance for the first time shall be brought to the barangay having jurisdiction for proper recording and counselling by the Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC) before the child is turned over or released to his/her parent/s or guardian/s. Prior to the release, the parent or guardian shall be reprimanded and informed of the consequences in the event that their child is caught again for the same offense.
- b. Second Offense Both the children and the parent or guardian shall be required to attend counselling sessions, parenting education seminars and other interventions as may be prescribed and conducted by the Barangay Council for the Protection of Children (BCPC). Within ten (10) days from the commission of the violation, the parent or guardian shall plant ten (10) fruit bearing trees in their barangay for which a Certificate of Compliance will be issued by the BCPC.
- c. Third Offense or More The parent or guardian shall plant fifteen (15) fruit bearing trees in their barangay for which a Certificate of Compliance will be issued by the BCPC and in addition he/shall pay a fine of Five Hundred Pesos (P 500.00). Moreover, the child shall be referred to the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO) for other interventions that may be conducted pursuant to the provisions of RA 9344, as amended.

SECTION 10. NON-RESIDENT OFFENDER - If the child is a non-resident of the barangay, the law enforcement officer shall exert all efforts to get in touch with his parent or guardian. If they could not be reached or contacted, the BCPC shall turn over him or the child to the Municipal Social Welfare Development Office (MSWDO) within reasonable time in the morning for proper disposition pursuant to existing laws.

SECTION 11. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - XXX

**SECTION 12. REPEALING CLAUSE - XXX** 

SECTION 13. EFFECTIVITY - This Ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after posting and publication in newspaper of general circulation.

Enacted and Approved: August 10, 2020 at Salcedo, Eastern Samar.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance which was duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Salcedo, Eastern Samar during its regular session on August 10, 2020.

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# San Roque Elementary School-Tolosa simulates the modular learning delivery

BY: MA.LIZA E. APEJAS

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has put the learning expe-

ty is the main priority, the

Department of Education

(DepEd) has taken precau-

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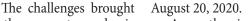












A month prior to this activity, printed modules were place in envelopes and labeled for easy retrieval. Posters were all around the school's vicinity to ensure that everyone is aware of the health protocol issued by the IATF.

Fifteen parents of learners who were randomly selected joined the said activity. All wore facemasks and face shields. They also followed the printed instruction imposing social distancing and made sure that they did proper hand washing and used alcohol to sanitize themselves.

Entrance and exit signage were placed indicating where the doors are. This helped direct people towards safe

through the process, a mod-The same protocol was ular distance learning simufollowed last August 26, 2020 lation activity was held last

#### **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE** NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late JUAN CASTIN extrajudicially settled,

partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of residential land situated at P. Inocentes, Naval, Biliran under TD No. 00341 Survey No. 837 with an area of 162 square meters. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor SPS. DANILO P. BUNDOC AND MARILOU D. BUNDOC as vendees of a portion of land consisting 80sq.m., from the above-described property. Per Doc No. 9166, Page No. 955, Book No. XI, Series of 2019. Notary Public Atty. Mario Lyndinno R. Opeña. LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# **DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late AURORA ORTIZ VELASCO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a bank deposit with METROPOLITAN BANK & TRUST COMPANY (METROBANK) - Calbayog Branch under Savings Account No. 294-3-29428872-5 with remaining balance of Php419,731.06. Per Doc No 469, Page No. 94, Book No. XXXVI, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Alex R. Gelera. LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late PRUDENCIO ABOYME extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land particularly described as Lot 1957. C-5, Cad 638-D located at Doos del Sur, Hindang, Leyte covered by Certificate of Title No P-46402 and TD No. 08-15010-00125 with an area of 4,940sq.m.,Per Doc No. 51, Page No 12, Book No. XXI, Series of 2016. Notary Public Atty. Ma. Lourdes Madula-Vilbar LSDE: Sept. 19, 26 & Oct 3, 2020

# **DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION OF ESTATE**

NOTICE is hereby given that ALDA CAPACIO TAMPIL heir of the late SPS. AN GELES CAPACIO TAMPIL AND SIMPLICIO TAMPIL executed a Deed of Self-Adjudication over a parcel of agricultural land and all improvement found thereon situated at Brgy. Guindapunan, Palo, Leyte denominated as Cad Lot No. 9750-F consisting an area of 3,000sq.m., under TD No. 05466 and heir named, constituted and appointed, and by these presents, do name and appoint my aunt, ASUNCION C. HERNIT as my true and lawful attorney-in-fact for me, place and stead to do the following acts: 1) To negotiate for sale. transfer and conveyance; 2) To sign, execute and process all relevant documents of sale, transfer; 3) To collect and accept the entire proceeds of the sale of the said property in her name. Per Doc No. 149, Page No. 31, Book No. LXVIII, Series of 2019. Notary Public Atty. LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020 Ronnan Christian M. Reposar.

when modules were retrieved. Modules were placed in-

side a box and were sanitized before the teacher recorded the learner's scores.

Through the join efforts of the teacher, parents and the full cooperation of students, the activity was indeed a suc-

(Note: The author is a Teacher III of San Roque Elementary School in Tolosa,

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE** SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late PEDRITO E. MEGENIO, SR. extrajudicially settled, partition and adjudicated over a portion parcel of land containing an area of 4,825, which is taken and segregated from a parcel of land containing an area of 31,966 square meters under TCT No. EP-T-170. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of BEATRIZ N. AMANDE as vendee of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 305, Page No. 62, Book No. XL, Notary Public Atty. Albert P. Yruma.

LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DEED**

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# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late LEON ARAYON extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot 135 of the subdivision plan Psd-66654 situated at Poblacion, Catbalogan City, Samar containing 66 square meters under TCT No. T-7099 and heir hereby WAIVED all rights, shares and participation over her 1/2 conjugal share unto LOUIE O. ARAYON AND LEROY O. ARAYON. Per Doc No. 13050, Page No. 21, Book No. XXV, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Pedro M. Labid LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late JESUS ORTIZ AND ANA GALIT ORTIZ extrajudicially settled, partition and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot 1519, Pls-481-D containing an area of 15,825 square meters under TCT No. T-2497 A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of NOEMI TENEDERO AMARO married to JEF-FREY G. AMARO as vendes of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 138, Page No. 28, Book No. 8, Series of 2017. Notary Public Atty. Fernando M. Abella, CPA LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SALE** OF REAL PROPERTY

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CASIMIRA ANDALIZA & EDUAR-DO ASIS extrajudicially settled, partition and adjudicated over a parcel of land containing an area of 1,238 square meters, more or less under OCT No. 889 / ARP No. 08-024-00350 designated as Cad Lot No. 2656, Cad 434-D, CASE 3. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of EVA C. ACAYAN as vendee of the 530SQ.M., assigned as Lot No. 3 from above-described property. Per Doc No. 256 Page No. 53, Book No. XXII, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Charles B. Culo, CPA. LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AMONG HEIRS WITH WAIVER & SALE**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late BERNARDA CAMPO extrajudicially settled, partition and adjudicated over a parcel of land containing an area of 32,260 square meters, more or less under TCT No./ARP No. 12012-00916 designated as Cad Lot No. 1847, Cad 418-D, Assessor's Lot No. 14-066. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of CRISTETA G. ESQUIERDO as vendee of the 1/3 portion from above-described property Per Doc No. 366, Page No. 75, Book No. 1, Series of 2012. Notary Public Atty. Castor A Gamalo. LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# **DEED OF DONATION INTER VIVOS**

NOTICE is hereby given that a Deed of Donation was executed by VIRGILIO G. ARAYON as donor in favor unto LOUIE O ARAYON AND LEROY O ARAYON as do nees of a parcel of land designated as Lot 137 of the subdivision plan Psd-66654 containing 39sq.m., under TCT No. T-7349 situated at Poblacion, Catbalogan City, Samar. Per Doc No. 111808, Page No. 8, Book No. XXIV, Series of 2020 under Notary Public Atty. Pedro M. Labid. LSDE: October 3, 10 & 17, 2020

# **EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AND PARTITION**

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late FIDEL LANUEVO, SR. AND FELISA P. LANUEVO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 696 situated at Brgy. Naga-naga, Palo, Leyte with a total land area of 413sq.m., under TD No. 08-30-0025-00352, OCT No. 2017000205. Per Doc No. 152, Page No. 32, Book No. LXV, Series of 2017. Notary Public Atty. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar LSDE: Sept. 19, 26 & Oct. 3, 2020

# PSA to hold 31st National **Statistics Month** celebration online

TACLOBAN CITY -The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) here in the region will launch the 31st National Statistics Month (NSM) Celebration in a virtual presentation.

This was revealed by PSA Regional Director Wilma Perante who said that the old tradition comes with a two-fold objectives which is to promote, enhance, and instill nationwide awareness and appreciation of the importance and value of statistics to the different sectors of society; and, to elicit the cooperation and support of the general public in upgrading the quality and standards of statistics in the country.

Perante explained that the 31st NSM virtual celebration is in consonance

with the ongoing health and safety measures undertaken by everyone across the globe.

With the theme, "Bridging Digital Gaps: Making Information Available to All", PSA sees the lag that needs to be filled to make access to government information equitable for everyone. "This year, we give interconnectivity a more human meaning and tries to bridge this digital divide," she said.

Perante further reported that the 31st NSM opening ceremony in the region will be held via Zoom and will be streamed live over PSA-RSSO 8 Facebook on October 9 at around 1 pm.

She added that the activities lined up for this month-long celebration aimed to reach out to

students and faculty, government and non-government sectors and workers walks of life, from all are the following: Awarding of the 2019 Bida Best NSM Agency; Awarding of the 2020 PSA Stakeholders Award; Spoken Poetry Contest; FB Stats Go; In-house Online Statistics Bingo; NSM Tiktok challenge; and Information dissemination of PSA survey results.

She said that PSA enjoins the public to support the 31st NSM activities. This annual observance is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 647, "Declaring the Month of October of Every Year as the National Statistics Month," issued on 20 September 1990 by then Pres. Corazon C. Aquino.

(RESTITUTO A.CAYUBIT)

# NHA asked to set rules on awarding of 'Yolanda' houses

TACLOBAN CITY -The Regional Development Council (RDC) in Eastern Visayas has urged the National Housing Authority (NHA) to come up with uniformed guidelines in the selection of beneficiaries of housing projects for victims of Super Typhoon "Yolanda."

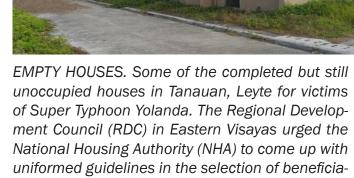
RDC recently passed a resolution asking the NHA to come up with guidelines for the consideration of the local inter-agency committee (LIAC) in awarding completed houses, said National Economic Development Authority regional director Meylene Rosales in a phone interview on Thursday.

LIAC, chaired by mayors, has set different guidelines in the awarding of completed houses, she said.

"RDC members observed that the selection of beneficiaries has been highly politicized, resulting in the exclusion of deserving beneficiaries and contributing to the low number of housing units awarded," Rosales said.

As of mid-2020, of the 52,985 houses targeted for construction in Eastern Visayas, 36,116 have been completed and 25,293 have been awarded to beneficiaries.

The unfair selection of recipients, absence of elec-



ries of post-Yolanda housing projects.

(PNA file photo)

tricity, poor water supply, and lack of access to livelihood are among the reasons cited why many completed houses remain unoccupied.

On Sept. 16, President Rodrigo Duterte signed Administrative Order 33 extending the term of Inter-Agency Task Force Yolanda until June 30, 2022, unless earlier terminated by the President.

The task force's term expired last Aug. 12.

The order recognizes the need to facilitate the completion of the Yolanda Permanent Housing Program (YPHP), an integral component of the Yolanda Comprehensive Rehabilitation and Recovery Plan.

The YPHP aims to build houses and create livable, thriving, and disaster-resilient communities under a township approach where resettlement sites shall be provided, not only with the basic necessities of water and electricity but also with social infrastructures such as daycare centers, health centers, and school buildings within or near the housing project sites.

Yolanda (Haiyan), which struck the Philippines on Nov. 8, 2013, is considered one of the strongest typhoons ever recorded, with Tacloban City as its ground zero. (SARWELL Q. MENIANO/ PNA)

# Farmer arrested for illegal possession of firearms in Leyte town

ORMOC CITY- A farmer was arrested on Thursday (Oct.1) for illegally possessing firearms at his house in Albuera, town, Leyte.

Arrested by the combined elements of the Criminal Investigation and Detection Group (CIDG), Leyte Police Office tracker team 2, 1st Leyte Mobile Force Company and the town police of Albuera was Tomas Curz,47, a resident of sitio Cambinak, Barangay Sherwood.

Found on his possession were one unit caliber .45 pistol with three pieces magazine assembly and 52 rounds of live bullet of same caliber; ly detained at the CIDG

chine gun with silencer with two pieces magazine assembly and 45 rounds of live bullet; and another live gun shells for caliber .40 and magnum .22.

Town police said they have no information of the suspect's attachment to any group.

The operating units led by Lt. Col. Marvin Pedere of CIDG based in Ormoc City was armed with two search warrants dated September 28, 2020 that were issued by Judge Carlos Arguelles, presiding officer of Regional Trial Court-Branch 14 based in Baybay City.

Cruz was temporari-

one unit KG 9 sub ma- lock-up before he was presented to the issuing court.

> Charges are now prepared for violation of Republic Act 10591 against the suspect.

(ELVIE ROMAN ROA)

# E. Samar's first dialysis center to open this year

TACLOBAN CITY -The Eastern Samar Provincial Hospital (ESPH) in Borongan City will open the first dialysis center in the province this year that would provide free services for indigent patients.

In a statement on Wednesday, ESPH chief Jessica Sabalberino said the provincial government has entered into an agreement with a private service provider that would bring 20 dialysis machines to the public hospital.

Based on the contract of service, the private partner will also provide a nephrologist and other equipment and accessories for the center, while the provincial government will provide the space and manpower for its operation and maintenance.

"This will be estab-

lished as soon as possible. This is now on the part of the service provider since the province has already provided what they are asking for," Sabalberino

She added the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation will shoulder the dialysis treatment of each patient in the province up to P4,000.

If the cost exceeds the amount, he said the Malasakit Center will pay the remaining balance to the service provider.

"It is specified in the contract that patients won't have to shell out any amount for their dialysis. This is purely service to all patients here," she added.

The ESPH disclosed that some 156 dialysis patients in the province travel for hours two to three times per week to undergo treatment in Ta-



DIALYSIS CENTER. The Eastern Samar Provincial Hospital in Borongan City. The government hospital on Wednesday (Sept. 30, 2020) said it will open the first dialysis center in the province this year that would provide free services for indigent patients. (Photo courtesy of Alren Beronio)

cloban City, the regional no said. capital.

"This is timely since patients here still need to go to Tacloban where there are dialysis centers. There are reported cases as well of coronavirus transmission in some dialysis clinics," Sabalberi-

Dialysis is a treatment that filters and purifies the blood using a machine. This helps keep one's fluids and electrolytes in balance when the kidneys cannot function properly. (GERICO SABÂLZÂ/PŇA)

# said. Homonhon is where Ferdinand Magellan first landed in the Philippines on March 16, 1521. (JAG)

**Historic Homonhon Island** 

rattled by a 3.7 quake

TACLOBAN CITY- A 3.7 magnitude earth-

The Philippine Institute of Volcanology and

The jolt which was of tectonic in origin did not

quake struck the historic town of Homonhon off

Guiuan town in Eastern Samar on Thursday morn-

Seismology (Phivolcs) said that based on its moni-

toring, the tremor occurred at around 9:40 am and

result to any damages or aftershocks, the Phivolcs

has a depth of focus of 020 kms.

# Leyte maintains MGCQ status for the month of October

PALO, Leyte -Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla has signed Executive Order (EO) 10-01-2020 maintaining the modified general community quarantine(MG-CQ) status of Leyte that will take effect for the entire month of Octo-

Petilla, however, clarified that the MGCQ status may be shortened or extended depending on the recommendation of the Provincial IATF COVID-19 without prejudice to declaration of localized Enhanced Community Quarantine in some parts of the province.

The province was under the MGCO implementation for the month of September.

Health Secretary Francisco Duque III in his announcement televised meeting with President Rodrigo Duterte last September 28 did not mention Leyte as one of the areas that will be un-



der GCQ for the month that had been in place by of October. announcement

the local government before will ensure that the of Sec.Duque said that economic activities will those areas that were not not be hampered while mentioned to be under the general community quarantine will be clas-

sified under the most le-

nient quarantine status

maintaining the MGCQ

status implementation

will help his province in

the faster economic re-

covery during the coro-

navirus disease 2019

(COVID-19) pandemic.

ed that the mechanisms

The governor add-

Petilla explained that

which is the MGCQ.

our authorities continue to fight the spread of COVID-19.

He added that the less stringent quarantine measures will allow the unrestricted delivery of goods and services to the public like the unhindered movement of farm products to the market or consumers.

Petilla said that as in previous MGCQ implementations, the activities that will remain prohibited include mass gathering of people.

Business establishcontinue ments may

with their operations on conditions that they will comply with the requirements as stipulated in the health protocols. In the transportation business like the public utility vehicles (PUVs), the owner or operator should comply with the safety measures and standards required by the Department of Transportation, Petilla said.

Petilla clarified that business establishments have the right to reject any customer who exhibiting influenza-like symptoms or not wearing a face mask.

The drivers of PUVs may reject a passenger if not wearing a face mask and face shield.

The prohibition still remains on the entry of all persons to the province from other places either by sea, land or air except for the locally stranded individuals and returning overseas Filipino workers, wherein they are required to undergo the mandatory 14-day quarantine period upon arrival to their respective local government units, Petilla said. (RESTITUTO A. CAYUBIT/ **ROEL T.AMAZONA)** 

# Northern Samar celebrates peace gains

CATARMAN Northern Samar- "There is a reason for Northern Samar to celebrate and observe Peace Consciousness Month," said Emy Bonifacio, area coordinator of the Office of Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process (OPAPP) in a PIA radio interview.

Northern Samar has been a recipient of government programs and projects particularly on roads and bridges in response to the clamor as one of the ways to end the local insurgency.

OPAPP through the PAyapa at MAsaganang PamaYAnan (Pamana) funded the province's more than P2 billion budget for roads and bridges in various areas covered under the program since it started in 2011. There were 18 projects, nine of which are already completed, seven on-going with two projects to start yet.

Successful implementa-

port through the Provincial Pamana Management Team and the efforts of the civil society organization through a Third Party Monitor ensuring transparency and that, projects will really serve its purpose.

"Gains were already felt with the construction of farm-to-market roads where product transport became easier and shorter in time. Before, it took seven to eight hours to travel by foot to Silvino Lubos and now it only takes an hour for all types of vehicles in reaching the capital town," said Bonifacio.

Basic social services can now be availed of by those residing in the far-flung areas and access to government interventions mostly in conflict-affected areas can now be addressed eas-

"Concreted road networks will not only boost tion is credited to the pro- economic development but vincial government's sup- more importantly inspire

and encourage rebels to abandon the armed struggle and return to the folds of the law with the government's assurance of liveli-

hood assistance and safe, secure, and peaceful living, "Bonifacio said.

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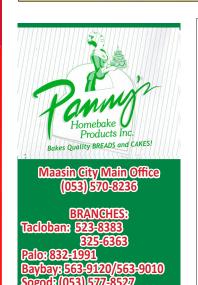
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