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DOH donates 5 new ambulances to I.N.

● *Acquired thru Senator Imee Marcos- Rep. Sandro Marcos' initiatives*

The Department of Health-Ilocos Region donated on Wednesday, Feb. 1 five new ambulance units to the Provincial Government of Ilocos Norte to be distributed to local government units (LGUs) as part of the Universal Health Care Program.

“The ambulances will also increase the level of functionality of our local government hospitals so that they may be empowered and equipped with the essential manpower, equipment and diagnostic tools in order for them

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Ilocos Norte marks IN's 205th founding year

Provincial officials led by Gov. Matthew Marcos Manotoc, joined by the Ilocano folks, celebrate with month-long activities the 205th founding anniversary of Ilocos Norte starting on February 2, 2023. History showed that two

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PBBM admin puts priority on mining rehabilitation, better governance

The administration of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. is prioritizing the rehabilitation of the mined-out areas as well as fixing the sector's fiscal regime to revive the country's mining industry,



DOH Regional Director Paula Paz M. Sydiongo (center) hands over the ceremonial key to Ilocos Norte Governor Matthew Marcos Manotoc and Rep. Sandro Marcos for the five new ambulances donated to the provincial government of Ilocos Norte. The turnover was held at the Gov. Roque B. Ablan Sr. Memorial Hospital in Laoag City on February 1, 2023. (Photo by DOH-ROI)



Pres. Marcos Jr.

a socioeconomic planning official said on Saturday.

During a media forum in Quezon City, National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Undersecretary Rosemarie Edillon said the recently-launched Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2023-2028 puts a premium on revitalizing the Philippine mining sector.

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Guest Editorial:

In Region 1, BESO's Help Jobs Trickle Down in Barangays

Barangays are the smallest unit of government. What better way to ensure that job opportunities thrive in the communities than to institutionalize employment facilitation services in the barangays themselves?

That's exactly what the Barangay Employment Services Offices (BESO) pursue as their mandate – to help each and every jobseeker in the barangay in their search for decent and productive employment.

To date, there are six municipalities and one city in Region 1 that have established their BESO's. They are Bacnotan and Naguilian, in La Union; Alaminos City, Infanta, Mangatarem, Sual and Urbiztondo, in Pangasinan.

This equates to 262 barangays with their own employment facilitation structures.

"These are noble innovations that our Local Government Units in the region undertake, all in the name of public service excellence," said Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Regional Director Exequiel Ronie A. Guzman.

"While there is no national directive yet to create BESO's, our Public Employment Services Office (PESO) Managers have taken these steps ahead to enhance and elevate their functions on employment facilitation," RD Guzman added.

But for Mildred Hernandez, PESO Manager of Infanta, the creation of BESO's was more than just to facilitate employment – it empowered barangays and local officials as drivers of social change.

With the full support of the town's officials, and with Hernandez's constant prodding, Infanta was the first in the region to have institutionalized BESO via a local legislation.

"Municipal Ordinance No. 02-2021 was passed on March 22, 2021. It was the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, and yet our Sangguniang Bayan saw the essence of this initiative, hence prioritized for its enactment," said Hernandez.

The ordinance identified the functions of BESO, among which includes keeping a record of jobseekers in the barangay; identifying job vacancies in establishments in the barangay; posting of available vacancies in conspicuous places in the barangay such as barangay hall, schools, and sari-sari stores.

"We are excited because the BESO's will surely help us discover that there are hundred and more opportunities in the home of the Hundred Islands," said Eleanor Bruno, PESO Manager of Alaminos City.

The PESO manager said the BESO's were instrumental for a streamlined implementation of key DOLE programs in barangays such as TUPAD, livelihood programs, job fairs, and development programs on child labor, career guidance, and the national skills registry.

Moreover, the BESO's were also key in the strengthening of campaign against illegal recruitment and trafficking-in-person.

"Through their roles now in employment facilitation, barangay officials and volunteers now realize that indeed, they are catalysts of change in their own communities," said Bruno. (JUSTIN PAUL D. MARBELLA)



WORD ALIVE

by Fr. Bel R. San Luis, SVD

Christians as salt and light

Fr. Joseph Dau Vu, SVD, was a Catholic chaplain of the Vietnamese boat-people refugees in Morong, Bataan. He related to me how he, together with 55 compatriots, slipped out of communist Saigon on an old, decrepit motorized boat and sailed out, not knowing where they could find a refuge.

The "boat priest" reminisced with profound sadness: "When people along the coast from neighboring countries saw us, they attacked, robbed, and exploited us. They even towed our boat far away, cut the rope, leaving our boat bobbing in the deep water. But when Filipino fishermen saw our predicament, they gave food and welcomed us to their shore." "Why are Filipinos different?" Fr. Dau Vu asked and answered: "It is because Filipinos are Christians."

In this Sunday gospel, Jesus tells his disciples "You are the salt of the earth" (Mt 5,13).

Besides adding taste to food, salt preserves it from spoiling. In a world growing more and more callous, merciless, and materialistic because of greed and the "I-don't-care" attitude which the heartless people showed towards the Vietnamese boat people. We followers of Christ are exhorted to preserve the gospel values like compassion, honesty, justice, peace, forgiveness, and exemplify them in life.

"You are the light of the world" is another image Christ uses. "Let your light shine before men so that they may see your goodness and give praise to your heavenly Father" (Mt 5,16).

(Note: Fr. San Luis hails from Laoag City. He served as President of Divine Word College of Laoag in the 1980s. His new turf is the Christ The King Seminary in Quezon City. Thank you, Father Bel for sharing your weekly column for the Ilocos Sentinel.—Editor)

Note that Jesus is not telling us to "parade" our light or trumpeting our achievements before people. He's telling us simply that we should BE a light to them. There's a big difference between "parading" our light and "being" a light.

One time I was conversing with a barangay chairman. I asked why he kept on running for the top political position.

He replied: "I want people to have a high regard for me and my family. I want people to recognize me and make 'mano' to me."

I admired the man's frank response but his motive was egoistic and not the objective of being a "servant leader" exemplified by no less than Jesus Christ himself.

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THE ILOCANO EDUCATOR

by Eduardo Teodoro "Jet" B. Ramos, Jr.

Assessing DepEd's Basic Education Review for 2023: current measures and future directions

Just this Monday, Department of Education Secretary and concurrent Vice President Sara Duterte-Carpio presented the much-awaited Basic Education Report (BER), the preparation of which commenced last year. Many waited with bated breath as they conjectured about the possible outcomes of the report in terms of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats, content-wise.

Though her agency has been beset with numerous issues involving its former top officials, Secretary and VP Duterte-Carpio braved brickbats from naysayers when she unwaveringly declared that basic education in the Philippines leaves much to be desired in terms of curriculum, research, best practices in teaching and learning, and infrastructure, among other areas.

One of the areas that happen to signal red flags in terms of education-related needs is the lack of rehabilitation of infrastructures. More than half of the school buildings are almost totally dilapidated due to age, lack of structural soundness, susceptibility to collapse through natural calamities, and other similar factors. Moreover, most of the buildings in question lack the funds for repairs.

Another area that warrants much attention

and prompt solution is the incongruence observed in the content of the basic education curriculum vis-à-vis the actual practice. The problem with the current curriculum is that it tends to focus on critical thinking yet most of the lessons lack sufficient time and appropriate methods of empowering learners to enjoy learning while discovering for their selves how the lessons are applicable in their lives and surroundings. As a result, a majority of senior high school graduates who intend to work after graduation still have none to slim chances of being gainfully employed.

The bureaucracy, red tape, and failure to provide teachers with opportunities for real professional, academic, and personal growth and maturity have proved to cause our teachers to lack real time to teach and develop their competencies. With the addition of administrative work which makes our teachers more burdened than before, our educational leaders have also been suffering from burnout, depression, demoralization, and feelings of incompetence and inadequacy. These have also been exacerbated by unexpected, dreadful evaluation processes which focus more on the technical and cerebral aspects of teaching instead of including also the practical and affective

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aspects. One of the other pressing problems in our education system today is our below-par standing in international assessments, particularly PISA. Unlike former Secretary Leonor Magtolis-Briones, who had the chutzpah to trash talk World Bank for releasing the PISA data much ahead of DepEd, VP and Secretary Duterte-Carpio had the courage and wisdom to admit the numerous issues plaguing the agency as well as its stakeholders, especially our learners. Other problems within DepEd are those related to procurement, compensation, closure of many private schools, and teacher training, among others.

One of the current measures that DepEd is implementing is the investigation of all problems with swift resolutions. According to our beloved secretary, DepEd will be increasing its talent pool, especially in terms of administrative positions in schools, for teachers to be freed from the burdens of paperwork. Meritocracy will also be observed when promoting teachers and such will be adhered to stringently. Moreover, DepEd will be enlisting the cooperation, collaboration, and assistance of CHED and TESDA in ensuring that our learners are globally competent and competitive, as well as work-ready, proactive, and responsible. The agency will also be cooperating with GSIS in order to provide DepEd teachers and personnel with benefits commensurate to their positions, years of service, academic and professional achievements and credentials, and near-impeccability of their records as professionals and employees.

Though much leaves to be desired and much work needs to be done, with Secretary Duterte-Carpio at the helm of DepEd, we are all motivated to become actively involved in reforming our basic education once and for all. A proactive and honest leader like her would surely motivate all of us to think of solutions to our education-related issues instead of merely fretting over these altogether.

NALAING, KABSAT!

Your Ilocano Educator would like to congratulate the following for their remarkable achievements:

- 1. Ms. Shaira Mae Rivera of the Media and Civil Affairs Group (MCAG) of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, earned a passing grade in the Licensure Examination for Teachers. She is a General Education major who graduated from De La Salle – Ozamiz.
2. The Parish Pastoral Council of San Roque de Mandaluyong Parish, achieved a milestone through their successful team building and planning, which was held at Mount Peace Retreat House in Baguio City from January 26 to 28.
3. The Media and Civil Affairs Group (MCAG) of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, organized and facilitated the recent ten-day Multimedia Seminar for students of the Philippine National Police Academy. The commander of MCAG is Lt. Col. Cenon C. Pancito III, who is also the AFP Radio station manager and host, narrator, and director of the Saturday evening

show Ang Inyong Kawal.

4. Mrs. Laarni Jane Aquino-Morabe, who is now a public school teacher after having worked at MFI Polytechnic Institute as an Electrical Installation and Maintenance (EIM) instructor for more than five years, passed the recent Licensure Examination for Teachers.

Nalaing kadakayo! Way to go for inspiring others through your good works!

GUESS WHAT, GUESS WHO!

GUESS WHAT: Being too vainglorious and smug are fast becoming part of the now-unsavory reputation of an opposition-affiliated personality in the field of arts. It has been palpable that our subject has won awards for his/her work mainly due to conflict of interest (since our subject is an officer of the award-giving body which recognized his/her so-called "accomplishments"). Frankly, our subject has not made positively indelible marks in his/her chosen field since his/her most recent work has been recently panned by not a few netizens, who have criticized our subject for being too histrionic.

What are the lessons of the story? Be humble instead of pompous. Be aware of your online reputation for you may be inviting so many prying eyes. Never gloat over achievements that have been earned through coaxing and vote buying. Give others the spotlight to let them showcase their talents.

GUESS WHO: Who are these social media personalities who have become too egocentric and treacherous for their own good? According to numerous sources, our subjects used to support the famous personality that they fought for so hard, but they burned bridges when they were not able to curry favors from the latter. As a result, our subjects are now being vilified online for their ungratefulness, self-righteousness, and boorishness. Some of them have been tagged as alleged users and con artists.

What are the lessons of the story? Never use social media to milk your subscribers dry. Stick to your principles, come hell or high water. Be consistent with your viewpoints and beliefs. Your selfishness could be your eventual downfall online (and offline, if you are doubly unlucky).

If you have suggestions in terms of the education-related topics that you want me to feature, please feel free to send me an email to edteo.ramos@yahoo.com or to coachjet.inspirations@gmail.com. You may also message me on Facebook through any of my two working accounts: Jet Ramos (personal) and SpoxJet Ramos (new and publicly official; renamed after my YouTube Channel). Please subscribe to my YouTube Channel Spox Jet Channel and watch UKP (Ulat, Komentaryo, at Payo) from Mondays to Fridays at 04:00 PM (temporary schedule until further notice), and The Ilocano Educator Show (TIES) on Saturdays at 09:30 PM. Agyamanak, Dios ti agngina, ket ay ayaten kadakayo!

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to cater to a wide range of ailments and diseases and to broaden their catchment areas to include hard to reach and isolated localities," Regional Director Paula Paz M. Sydiongco stated in her message during the turn-over ceremony held at the Governor Roque B. Ablan Sr. Memorial Hospital in Laoag City, Ilocos Norte.

"Pangalagaan ninyo ang mga ambulansyang ito upang magamit ninyo ng mahabang panahon. Give them proper care and maintenance and also ensure that they are utilized in accordance

with the definition and standards provided by the health department," she said.

The modern ambulances are fully equipped with a folding stretcher, nebulizer, portable suction machine, defibrillator, portable suction machine, examining light, aneroid sphygmomanometer, scoop stretcher, stethoscopes, non-contact thermometer, blood-glucose meter with strip, resuscitators for infant, pedia and adult; oxygen therapy set; laryngoscopes set;

immobilization devices, delivery set and patient transfer monitor.

The ambulances were acquired through the joint initiative of Senator Imee Marcos and Congressman Ferdinand Alexander "Sandro" Marcos III (first district, Ilocos Norte).

They were funded under the DOH Health Facilities Enhancement Program (HFEP) to provide the LGUs in the province with the needed transport vehicles during emergency cases. Each ambulance costs P2,232,500.

Ilocos Governor

Matthew Marcos Manotoc, who received the donation, vowed to provide more healthcare benefits for the Ilocano folks especially those in the countryside.

The ambulance recipients are Sarrat Health and Diagnostic Center, Bangui District Hospital, Piddig District Hospital, Vintar District Hospital, and Gov. Roque B. Ablan Sr. Memorial Hospital.

Rep. Marcos III, the presidential son, assured more health development programs in the province to benefit more residents. (GLEN S. RAMOS/CMU)

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Ask yourself: Do you radiate the light of good deeds? God has given you gifts like a political position, a business acumen, an inherited big bank account or a prime lot. Isn't it only proper that you use these free gifts not only for self-glorification and enjoyment but also share with the underprivileged and less fortunate?

Does my Christian faith make a big difference in an environment where corrupt practices, indifference, and injustices are rampant?

Like the example of those compassionate Filipino fishermen and many other good Christians, it takes only a pinch of salt to have a tremendous effect, and it takes only a tiny flame of light to dispel the darkness over a vast area.

The lighter side: Husband: Our helper

robbed us of our expensive towel when she left.

Wife: People nowadays have no more moral values. Which towel did she run off? Husband: The one with the logo "Holiday Hotel." (Look who's talking about "no more moral values").

A doctor asked a patient: "Why did you slap the guy you were talking with?" The angry man replied: "Imagine, he saw me very nervous about the result of my Covid test and he still said: 'Think positive!'"

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"Kasi gusto nga nating mai-revive iyong mining sector, also to do with the, parang support din sa ating renewable energy," Edillon said.

"Yung mga electric vehicles natin na gusto nating magkaroon ng battery energy storage system na ang malaki pa ang component at nickel, eh marami tayong nickel. So ito iyong nakalagay po ito sa PDP," the NEDA official explained.

NEDA, Edillon said, has also identified mining fiscal regime as a crucial factor in fixing mining governance, in which the government is having a hard time collecting proper taxes.

There seems to be an imbalance in the system as it encourages mined ores to be processed elsewhere, she explained.

"Kasi again, magkaiba iyong fiscal regime, so iyon, so gusto nating ayusin iyon and this will require legislation, pinag-aaralan na rin po iyan," Edillon noted.

Another area

the administration is looking into is correcting the wrong mining practices in the country, as mining companies leave their mining sites without rehabilitating them after years of mineral extraction.

Edillon said the government will incorporate that in the mining governance for the sector to compel mining companies to rehabilitate depleted mining sites.

"Gusto natin magset-aside ng pondo para sa pag-rehabilitate naman, kapag halimbawa mined-out na iyong area. So there has to be those provisions. So, like I said, nasa PDP po 'yun," Edillon said.

"Mayroon na rin po naman tayong mga mining firms na responsible mining naman iyong mga practices, so okay din po iyon. Pero ang gusto natin is, you know sa pangkalahatan ayusin natin iyong fiscal regime " the NEDA official said. #

ILOCOS NORTE

Laoag teachers react to VP Duterte's BER

LAOAG CITY, Jan. 31 — Workers in the Department of Education, Schools Division of Laoag City lauded the Basic Education Report (BER) aired nationwide by Vice President and Education Secretary Sara Z. Duterte through live streaming on Monday.

In random reactions to her live report, the majority of the DepEd-Laoag employees who gathered at the division office conference hall here shared positive opinions.

They favored the plans and vision of the Education Secretary such as the de-loading of administrative works among the teaching personnel so that they would focus more on their teaching duties and responsibilities.

"Her de-loading plan gave me an option now to apply as a teacher in the near future," said Elaiza Tinay, the city division office's administrative assistant.

The workers also praised her advocacy for infrastructure, school children's

protection and their mental health, school disaster management, the use of mother tongue in teaching methods, and the re-study of the K-to-12 curriculum.

However, some non-teaching personnel, who asked for anonymity, said their plight seemed to have been overlooked in the BER compared to the major concern given to the teaching force.

Meanwhile, Schools Division Superintendent Vilma D. Eda urged all her personnel to exert collective effort to help realize the vision of the DepEd top official

The BER 2023 was the first made by VP-Secretary Duterte under the Marcos administration.

Earlier, all DepED offices and schools across the country were advised to watch the said BER live stream.

"The vision of DepEd depends on the one million plus personnel that include us in SDO Laoag. Not to VP Sara alone, not to the President alone but it lies on us. (By Cherry Joy Garma/DepEd-Laoag)

ILOCOS SUR

1st-ever Balliwes Showdown launched during Kannawidan Festival

VIGAN CITY, Ilocos Sur -- Thriving rich culture and tradition in the heritage province, Governor Jerry Singson launched the first ever Indigenous People's Balliwes Showdown as part of the Ilocos Sur Kannawidan Festival 2023 Begnas Cultural Night at the Plaza Burgos, Vigan City.

This event served as a thanksgiving celebration of the Indigenous People community of Ilocos sur. Different IP group had proven that the rich culture and tradition of Ilocos Sur which the generation today inherited was still alive and will definitely pass to the next generation.

During the showdown proper,

the twelve contenders were able to depict the traditional courtship, wedding, planting, harvesting as a typical daily way of life for them.

As a result, the IP group from San Emilio won the Balliwes Showdown while IP Quirino brought home the second place and 3rd is the IP Municipality of Lidlidda.

NCIP Regional Director Atty. Harriet Abyadang joined SPM Benjamin Maggay, SPM Ronnie Rapanut, SPM Art Oandasan, SPM Third Ranches, Provincial Administrator Marlon Tagorda and San Emilio Mayor Joey Bragado witnessed the said event. (PGIS)

LA UNION

LU waves reach global stage as La Union hosts World Surfing League International Pro

To establish itself as a major surfing destination and a Longboard Surfing Hub in the Asia Pacific Region, La Union hosted the World Surfing League La Union International Pro Qualifying Series 2023 on January 20-26 by conducting a seven-day Surf Festival that included surfing competitions, festival and trade fairs, awarding ceremonies, and closing program in San Juan, La Union.

Through the United Philippines Surfing Association (UPSA), and in cooperation with the Department of Tourism Region 1 and the Provincial Government of La Union, the World Surf League staged the competition, giving the province the chance to widen its economic

opportunities by elevating its tourism industry.

Gov. Raphaelle Veronica "Rafy" Ortega-David proudly welcomed all participants as she offered her appreciation for giving La Union the chance to host a worldwide surfing event.

"Thank you, or in our dialect, Agyaman kami, for letting the waves of La Union be part of this successful event. As such, we are more confident to welcome wider and bigger surfing activities to be staged in our province," Governor Rafy stated.

The event was participated in by seven countries namely France, Indonesia, Japan, Philippines, Sweden, Taiwan, and Thailand. The 131 participants

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LA UNION

DILG, PNP roll-outs BIDA program in Region 1

SAN FERNANDO CITY, La Union (PIA) – The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), in partnership with the Philippine National Police (PNP), spearheaded the launching of the "Buhay Ingatan, Droga'y Ayawan" or BIDA program, held at the city plaza here on February 3.

PNP Gen. Rhodel Sermonia, Police Regional Office 1 (PRO-1) Director John Chua, along with City Mayor Hermenegildo Gualberto and other officials led the activity.

The BIDA program is a more intensified and holistic approach against illegal drugs.

It would raise the public awareness on the harmful effects of illegal drugs, and empower and enjoin the people to be one in this campaign.

"If we are able to succeed in ending the local communist armed conflict which is anchored on the whole-of-nation approach, ganun din po ang estratehiya na gagawin natin sa BIDA," Sermonia said.

He added, "Magsama-

sama po tayo para maging BIDA laban sa ilegal na droga."

A unity walk and Zumba kicked off the roll-out early Friday morning.

Around 2,000 representatives of various national government agencies, local government units, advocacy groups, as well as students of different colleges and a university participated in the activity.

Various booths were also established to feature the local products of La Union and Pangasinan, and to offer the government services for the people like free medical check-ups, legal consultations and processing of police clearance, among others.

Aside from serbisyo-publiko, an information booth on the PNP recruitment process was also put up.

Further, chosen beneficiaries were given wheelchairs under the "Gulong ng Suerte" program of the La Union Police Provincial Office. (Caren Grace Cabanayan/PIA Region 1)

PANGASINAN

ITRMC receives Gold Trailblazer Award

The Ilocos Training and Regional Medical Center, one of the apex hospitals of the Department of Health - Ilocos Region was conferred Performance Governance Revalida (PGS) Compliant Status by the Institute for Solidarity in Asia (ISA) and bagged the prestigious Gold Trailblazer Award last January 27, 2023.

ISA conducted the online revalida, where ITRMC showcased its accomplishments and developments in the delivery of effective and reliable health care services in the region.

Among the ITRMC's noteworthy accomplishments as an apex hospital includes the establishment of a health care provider network, five (5) PGLU district hospitals assisted in re-engineering and administrative controls during their retrofitting to cater to Covid 19 patients, 600 calls/day navigated during the COVID surge and 100 calls per day during normal operations through its functional emergency

operations center, put-up an advance medical post resulting in an increase of Emergency Department absorbance capacity by 200%, implemented successful Covid-19 Action Plan, 11,694 consults catered from the e-Konsulta program, 20 LGUs assisted in the expansion of their primary care services, upgraded information technology and hospital information system, and established a Center for Health Systems Development intending to become the center for knowledge and innovations in health systems and development in the region.

ITRMC Medical Center Chief, Dr. Eduardo M. Badua III, said that the institution's accomplishments were due to the dedication and unity of the men and women who worked towards the achievement of the hospital's goals and objectives.

"May this award serve as an inspiration to make ITRMC a genuinely people- (Pls. turn to page 5)

PANGASINAN

Pangasinan bans entry of poultry, by-products vs bird flu

DAGUPAN CITY (PIA) – The provincial government of Pangasinan has banned the entry of live birds and by-products into the province until March 2, 2023 to prevent the possible entry of avian influenza virus, subtype H5N1.

The Provincial Veterinary Office released Executive Order No. 0005-2023 signed by Governor Ramon Guico III on February 2.

The order particularly bans the entry of all ducks, quails, spent hens (culled), hatching eggs, pigeons, gamefowls, ready to lay pullet, and the restrictions on the movement of other poultry birds and by products from the provinces of Bulacan, Pampanga, Nueva Ecija, Tarlac, Laguna, Sultan Kudarat, Benguet, North Cotabato, South Cotabato, Maguindanao, Isabela, Rizal, Quezon, Kalinga, Aurora, Ilocos Norte, and Ilocos Sur into the

province of Pangasinan.

"To date, Pangasinan has no reported cases of avian influenza, subtype H5N1. However, there is a need to implement a temporary ban on the entry of all ducks, quails, culled hens, hatching eggs, pigeons, game fowls, and ready to lay pullet, strengthen regulatory services, border control on the intra and inter-provincial movement of animals, and intensify quarantine activities within the province, to maintain its present status," Guico said.

He added, the province will allow the entry of poultry products provided that documentary requirements in the animal quarantine checkpoints are complied.

For broilers, poultry farmers must present a veterinary health certificate, veterinary shipping permit, animal welfare registration

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Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL TRIAL COURT OF ILOCOS NORTE

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IN RE: PETITION FOR THE CORRECTION OF ENTRIES IN THE CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF APOINARIO MALAQUI ANDRES, JR. particularly the "DATE OF BIRTH" entry from 28 March 1990 to 28 March 29, 1999, the "DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE OF PARENTS" entry from March 29, 1991; Piddig to March 26, 1990; Piddig, Ilocos Norte and the age of his parents at the time of his birth.

APOINARIO MALAQUI ANDRES, JR. Petitioner, -versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF PIDDIG, ILOCOS NORTE, THE NATIONAL STATISTICIAN AND CIVIL REGISTRAR GENERAL OF THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY, AND ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE OR CLAIM ANY INTEREST, Respondents.

SPEC. PROC. NO. 17899-13 FOR: CORRECTION OF ENTRIES

XX-----XX ORDER

Before the Court is a verified petition for the correction of entries in the Certificate of Live Birth of Apolinario Malaqui Andres, Jr. particularly the "DATE OF BIRTH" entry from "28 March 1990" to "28 March 1999", the "DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE OF PARENTS" entry from "March 29, 1991, Piddig" to "March 26, 1990, Piddig, Ilocos Norte", the "AGE AT THE TIME OF THIS BIRTH" of the mother from "26" to "35"

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centered organization," he stated. In March 2019, ITRMC enrolled in the PGS four-stage pathway program of ISA, a framework for transformation that empowers institutions to deliver breakthrough results. It contributes to national development and inclusive growth by guiding institutions through a four-stage pathway designed to create, execute, and sustain effective transformation strategies. ITRMC passed the Initiation Stage last June 27, 2019. DOH - Ilocos Regional

and the "AGE AT THE TIME OF THIS BIRTH" of the father from "29" to "38" in the Civil Registry, particularly in the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), Civil Registrar General, Manila.

The petition alleges that petitioner was born on March 28, 1999 to Spouses Apolinario Asuncion Andres and Emilia Sabado Malaqui who were married on March 26, 1990 in Piddig, Ilocos Norte. The facts of his birth was duly registered with the Local Civil Registrar of Piddig, Ilocos Norte and with the Philippine Statistics Authority. However, when he secured a copy of his Certificate of Live Birth from the Philippine Statistics Authority, he discovered that his "DATE OF BIRTH" was erroneously registered as "28 March 1990", instead of "28 March 1999", the DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE OF PARENT" is registered as "March 29, 1991, Piddig", instead of "March 26, 1990, Piddig, Ilocos Norte", the AGE AT THE TIME OF THIS BIRTH" of the mother from "26" to "35" and the "AGE AT THE TIME OF THIS BIRTH" of the father from "29" to "38".

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the petition is given due course and is set for initial hearing on March 14, 2023 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning at the Marcos Hall of Justice, Laoag City.

In order that any person who may be adversely affected by the said petition may be notified to file written opposition and/or appear and show cause why the petition should not be granted, let this Order be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a duly accredited newspaper of general circulation in the City of Laoag and the Province of Ilocos Norte at the expense of the petitioner.

Further, let copies of this Order and the petition be furnished the offices of the Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority, Manila, the Solicitor General, Makati City, the Provincial Prosecutor of Laoag City, Ilocos Norte, and the Local Civil Registrar of Piddig, Ilocos Norte.

SO ORDERED. GIVEN this 17th day of January 2023 at Laoag City, Ilocos Norte.

(Sgd.) JOHNSON VALIN PADRE Presiding Judge

- Copy Furnished: 1. The Civil Registrar General 2. The Solicitor General 3. The Provincial Prosecutor of Laoag City, Ilocos Norte 4. The Local Civil Registrar, Piddig, Ilocos Norte 5. Atty. Michelle E. Simon - PAO 6. Apolinario Malaqui Andres, Jr. - Brgy. Tangaoan, Piddig, Ilocos Norte Jan. 30, Feb. 6 & Feb. 13, 2023* Ilocos Sentinel

Director Paula Paz M. Sydiongco said that the award only proves ITRMC's commitment to providing the best healthcare services to the population. "This milestone underscores your steadfast dedication and may it serve as a guiding light for you to continue providing effective and quality healthcare, especially to marginalized and underserved populations, and effectively lead other health facilities towards achieving the objectives of Universal Health Care." (Glen S. Ramos/DOH0Region 1)

Republic of the Philippines Local Civil Registry Office Province of Ilocos Norte Batac City, Ilocos Norte

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

CCE-0006-2023 (RA 10172)

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2013 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that ALMA ROSE REAL FRANCO has filed a petition with this office, a petition for correction of Date of Birth from "December 5, 1975" to "DECEMBER 1, 1975" in the Certificate of Live Birth of GENELYN GALIMBA REAL who was born at Batac, Ilocos Norte and whose parents are Florida Lumaguip Galimba and Abelardo Taclan Real.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than February 12, 2023.

(Sgd.) LORLYN FLODELIZ P. ULIT City Civil Registrar

January 30 - February 5, 2023 & February 6-12, 2023* Ilocos Sentinel

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certificate, certificate of disease-free status-A1, handler's license certificate of registration, and transport carrier registration certificate at the borders.

Certificate of acceptance from the local government unit of destination, veterinary health certificate, veterinary shipping permit, animal disease monitoring compliance certificate (ADMCC) handler's license certificate of registration, and transport carrier registration certificate shall be presented for day old chick hatching eggs.

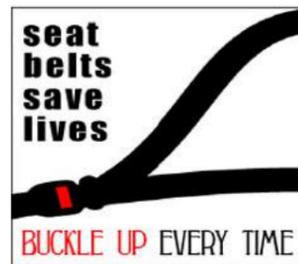
For eggs (table eggs, salted eggs, quail eggs, embryonated eggs or balut), shipment must have a veterinary shipping permit, certificate of disease-free status-A1 of source farm, livestock handler's license certificate of registration, and transport carrier registration certificate.

Fresh and frozen poultry meat shall also be allowed provided that the shipment is accompanied by a certificate of meat inspection for imported meat products that will be issued by the National Meat Inspection Service or meat inspection certificate for domestic meat products, and a veterinary shipping permit.

The governor said that violators shall be blacklisted and can no longer transact business on livestock and poultry shipment in Pangasinan.

He directed the provincial veterinarian quarantine officers and the local police to enforce the order in border checkpoints around the province.

Further, he ordered the local chief executives to assist in the implementation of this order in their respective jurisdiction. (April Bravo/PIA Pangasinan)



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competed in different surfing competitions such as Surfing in Men's Longboard 1000, Women's Longboard 1000, Men's Shortboard 3000, and Women's Shortboard 3000. With grit and perseverance, the competitors exhibited their talents and hard work in all events, bringing out pride in their country.

Rogelio "Jay-R" Esquivel from the Philippines bagged the highest award as the Champion in the Men's Longboard Division. Esquivel is followed by Taka Inoue of Japan in Second Place. Deni Pirdaus from Indonesia and Benito Nerida from the Philippines equally placed Third. In

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased ALFREDO JACINTO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 12849, situated at Brgy. 7, Vintar, Ilocos Norte, covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo CARP 2016000438 has been adjudicated by his legal heirs Sps. Onofre A. Jacinto and Jovita D. Jacinto and simultaneously waived, cede, renounce and relinquish their rights, participations, interests and shares in favor of Sps. Rexie R. Agcaoili and Alona N. Agcaoili, and Heizhen N. Agcaoili and Hannse N. Agcaoili over the portion of the aforesaid parcel of land equivalent to 304 sq.m. as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Nestor T. Corpuz; as per Doc. No. 54; Page No. 12; Book No. XXX; Series of 2023.

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centuries and five years have passed since Ilocos Norte was officially established as a province through a Royal Decree issued by the King of Spain in 1818.

The celebration will be ushered by a flag-raising ceremony in front of the Provincial Capitol, pandemic recovery assistance, and agricultural equipment, among others.

"Tan-ok ni Ilocano" film shows will be presented to the different DepEd schools and universities here by the Ilocos Norte Tourism Office and the PGIN-CMO.

Fourteen LGUs will be cited with Child-Friendly Governance Awards for giving children

access to their basic rights.

"Mataginayon a Progreso" and "KADIWA" programs will continue to support small businesses, farmers, and livestock growers to help them recover from the economic impact caused by the COVID-19 pandemic

Furthermore, 40 units of a combined harvester, four units of 4-wheel tractors, six units of multi-cultivators, and eight units of hand tractors will be turned over to various farmer associations in the province.

The "Open Capitol" be held on February 13 and the "Tan-ok ni Ilocano Festival of Festivals" on February 24. (Allyssa Charisse G. Magno, Geraldine R. Ulep/PGIN-CMO Interns)

the Women's Longboard Division, Japan reigned, winning all places as representatives Natsumi Taoka and Hiroka Yoshikawa hailed as Champion and Second Place respectively; the Third Place was bagged equally by Sakura Inoue of Japan and Daisy Valdez from the Philippines.

For the Men's Shortboard Division, Ketut Agus of Indonesia won as the Champion of the event. He was followed by Tenshi Iwami of Japan in Second Place. Keijiro Nishi of Japan and Rogelio Esquivel of the Philippines equally bagged the third place. Japan, once again, was in the lead in the Women's Shortboard Division as representatives Shino Matsuda, Anon

Matsuoka, and Minami Nonaka equally won as Indonesian Kailani Johnson won as Champion, Second Place, and Third Place respectively.

The surfing event not only served as a boost for the tourism industry in the province, it also established the call of the province for #LaUnion P R O B I N S Y A nihan, encouraging Kaprobinsiaan and tourists alike to cultivate surfing as a sport and tourist destination in the province. This is another stepping stone in achieving the vision to position La Union as the Heart of Agri-Tourism in Northern Luzon by 2025. (PGLU)

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Civil Case No. 17621-65 for CANCELLATION OF TITLE and REVERSION

X-----X ORDER

NOTED for the record is the Manifestation, received in Court on 5 January 2023, filed by the plaintiff, through counsel. Let the pleading be appended to the record of the case.

The prayer of the plaintiff, through counsel is GRANTED. Ilocos Sentinel is hereby directed to cause the publication of the Summons and the Amended Complaints, to the exclusion of the Annexes, in the interest of fairness.

The publication of the Summons and the Amended Complaint will be for three (3) consecutive weeks. The defendants are given sixty (60) days after the completion of the publication, to file their answer.

SO ORDERED.

10th day of January 2023, Laoag City, Philippines.

(SGD.) MYRA SHEILA M. NALUPTA Presiding Judge

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In today's scheduled Hearing on the PendenPleadings, the Republic of the Philippines was represented by the Regional Director of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Regional Office, Region I, San Fernando City, La Union, duly represented by the following counsels, who were at their office in San Fernando City, La Union, to wit:

- 1) Atty. Santiago L. Pagaddut, Jr. - lead counsel; 2) Atty. Claro Ramolete, Jr. - collaborating counsel; and 3) Atty. Joanne Margarette Macob - collaborating counsel.

The private defendants - Ms. Jean C. Dela Cruz and her children: Jhan Key C. Dela Cruz and Jeana Rea Kaye C. Dela Cruz were all based in Canada and were represented by their counsel - Atty. Joel R. Garcia, who joined the proceedings from his law office in Batac City, Ilocos Norte.

The following observations by the Court were agreed to by the counsels:

- 1) The Special Power of Attorney (SPA) authorizing Atty. Joel R. Garcia as the Attorney-In-Fact of the wife and children of the late Arnulfo B. Dela Cruz has not been filed in Court; 2) Arnulfo's wife - Ms. Jean C. Dela Cruz is a private defendant on her own and as a surviving spouse of Arnulfo together with the surviving children, as substituted heirs; 3) The answer of the private defendants was not properly executed since there was no verification page. The Manifestation by Ms. Jean C. Dela Cruz filed on 12 April 2022 is merely a pleading but cannot be considered as her Answer to the Amended Complaint.

Upon the manifestation of Atty. Joel R. Garcia that the present address of Ms. Jean C. Dela Cruz and her children in Canada is in a geographic location which makes difficult for them to have any documents executed in the nearest Philippine embassy. Therefore,

the necessary documents such as the Special Power of Attorney (SPA) and/or an Answer to be filed and verified would prove to be challenging for them. Thus, the service of the counsel to be considered as service to parties will not apply in this case because Atty. Garcia has not been properly given the power to execute the Answer for and in behalf of the defendants. Thus, the Summons will have to be served via the traditional way under the 2019 Amendments of the Revised Rules of Civil Procedure, which is extra-territorial service of summons.

"Section 17. Extra-Territorial Service. - When the defendant does not reside and is not found in the Philippines, and the action affects the personal status of the plaintiff or relates to, or the subject of which is, property within the Philippines, in which the defendant has or claims a lien or interest, actual or contingent, or in which the relief demanded consists, wholly or in part, in excluding the defendant from any interest therein, or the property of the defendant has been attached within the Philippines, service may, by leave of court, be affected out of the Philippines by personal service as under Section 6; or as provided for international conventions to which the Philippines is a party; or by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in such places and for such time as the court may order, in which case a copy of the summons and order of the court shall be sent by registered mail to the last known address of the defendant, or in any other manner the court may deem sufficient. Any order granting such leave shall specify a reasonable time, which shall not be less than sixty (60) calendar days after notice, within which the defendant must answer." (Emphasis supplied.)

The Amended Complaint and its Annexes and the Summons should be published in a newspaper of general circulation for three (3) consecutive weeks, covering the address of the disputed parcel of land/public land in Laoag City and Ilocos Norte, at the expense of the plaintiff- Republic of the Philippines, represented by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Regional Office, Region I, San Fernando City, Province of La Union.

The private defendants are given sixty (60) days from the completion of the publication to file their Answer to the Amended Complaint.

SO ORDERED.

Done via videoconference this 7th day of November 2022, at Laoag City, Philippines.

(SGD.) MYRA SHEILA M. NALUPTA Presiding Judge

NOTE:

FOR INQUIRIES ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE, please contact us:

- 1. RTC Branch 65 e-mail address: rtc1log063@judiciary.gov.ph/rtcbr65lao@gmail.com 2. RTC Branch 65 Landline Number- (077)-600-5061

- 3. Ms. Eleanor V. De Peralta (Court Stenographer III/OIC Branch Clerk of Court- 09279728978 4. Ms. Maria Grizelda N. Felix (Civil Docket Clerk- 09778041460) 5. Ms. Madeline G. Agullana (Criminal Docket Clerk- 09212463148)

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- 1. ASSISTANT SOLICITOR GENERAL DEREK R. PUERTOLLANO Counsel for the Plaintiff OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR GENERAL BUILDING 134 Amorsolo Street Legaspi Village, Makati City 2. ATTY. SANTIAGO L. PAGADDUT JR. Attorney IV, DENR-ROI, Legal Division Deputized Counsel for Plaintiff ATTY. CLARO RAMOLETE, JR. and ATTY. JOANNE MARGARETTE MACOB Collaborating Counsels DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES Government Center, Sevilla 2500 San Fernando City, La Union

- 3. ATTY. JOEL R. GARCIA Counsel for the Private Defendants No. 56 Riganon Street 2906 Batac City, Ilocos Norte

- 4. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR) Represented by: The Regional Executive Director for Region I Plaintiff DENR Region 1 San Fernando, La Union

- 5. MR. ARNULFO B. DELA CRUZ Defendant Barangay No. 35 Billoca 2906 Batac City, Ilocos Norte

- 6. MS. JEAN DELA CRUZ Defendant Barangay No. 35 Billoca 2906 Batac City, Ilocos Norte

- 7. MR./MS. JHAN KEY C. DELA CRUZ Substituted Defendant Barangay No. 35 Billoca Batac City, Ilocos Norte

- 8. MS. JEANA REA KAYE C. DELA CRUZ Substituted Defendant Barangay No. 35 Billoca Batac City, Ilocos Norte

- 9. ATTY. JENNY BETH M. QUILANTANG Public Defendant Register of Deeds of Laoag City Barangay No. 7-B Nuestra Señora De Natividad, Giron Street, 2900 Laoag City

- 10. MR. VICTOR C. DABALOS Forester Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO) Barangay No. 7-B Giron Street Castro Avenue 2900, Laoag City

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Civil Case No. 17621-65

For CANCELLATION OF TITLE and REVERSION

X-----X SUMMONS

TO: MS. JEAN C. DELA CRUZ Barangay No. 35 Billoca 2906 City of Batac Ilocos Norte

GREETINGS:

You are hereby required, within sixty (60) days after the service of this summons upon you, to file this Court and serve on the Plaintiffs your answer to the complaint, copy of which is attached, together with the annexes. You are reminded of the provision in the IBP-OCA Memorandum on Policy Guidelines dated 12 March 2002 to observe restraint in filing a motion to dismiss and instead allege the grounds thereof as defenses in the Answer. If you fail to answer which the time fixed, the plaintiffs will take judgment by default and may be granted the relief applied for in the complaint.

WITNESS the Hon. MYRA SHEILA M. NALUPTA, Presiding Judge of the Court, this 7th Day of November 2022, at Laoag City.

(Sgd.) ELEANOR N. VALDEZ-DE PERALTA Court Stenographer III/ Office-in-Charge (OIC) Branch Clerk of Court

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SPOUSES ARNULFO B. DELA CRUZ AND JEAN C. DELA CRUZ, AND THE REGISTER OF DEEDS OF LAOAG CITY, ILOCOS NORTE, Defendants.

Civil Case No. 17621-65 For Cancellation Of Patent/ Title And Revision

AMENDED COMPLAINT

Plaintiff REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, through the OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR GENERAL (OSG), in compliance with the Honorable Court's Order dated 12 May 2020, respectfully states:

land since 1960.

6. On 01 February 2012, Free Patent No. 012812-12-00577 was issued in favor of private defendant.

7. Thereafter, the free patent was registered by public defendant Register of Deeds of Laoag City. Consequently, Original Certificate of Title (OCT) No. 2014000064 was issued in the name of Arnulfo B. Dela Cruz, married to Jean C. Dela Cruz.

8. Private defendant, in violation of Section 12 in relation to Section 33 of R.A. No. 10023, misrepresented in his RFPA that he, through his predecessors-in-interest, has been in actual occupation, actual residence, and continuous possession of the subject lot since 1960. In truth and in fact, the land is still undeveloped, has no actual occupant and has existing residential structure.

9. Since private defendant Arnulfo B. Dela Cruz obtained Free Patent No. 012812-12-00577 through fraud and misinterpretation, this present action for Reversion is this filed, and the corresponding OCT No. 2014000064 must be revoked and the subject lot reverted to the Republic.

NAMES OF WITNESSES

10. Plaintiff will present the following witnesses: a.) Engr. Anita L. Iringan- Member of the DENR - Fact Finding Team;

b.) Ms. Jane G. Bautista- Chief, DENR Records Management Division and; c.) Other additional witnesses whose testimony is material and relevant for the just resolution of the case.

SUMMARY OF WITNESSES' TESTIMONY

11. Engr. Anita L. Iringan will testify that she is a member of the DENR Fact-Finding Team which conducted an investigation on the reported irregularities in the issuance of RFPs involving a 16-hectare land, situated in Barangay Navotas, Laoag City, Ilocos Norte; that she found out that the 16-hectare land, which includes the subject lot, has no actual occupants and has no built residential houses, structures, improvements or on-going construction; and that the Fact-Finding Team recommended, among others, that the 16-hectare land be reverted to the Republic, and that the corresponding patents and certificates of title issued and canceled for violation of R.A. 10023.

12. Ms. Jane G. Bautista will attest that she has in her official custody the defendant's Residential Free Patent Application, DENR Memorandum dated 13 August 2014, Investigation Report dated 5 September 2014, Investigation Report dated 31 March 2017, Sketch Plan and Plotting, and Geo-tagged Photographs.

13. Plaintiff intends to ask the Court for a court-supervised ocular inspection that will be attended by the parties and the Branch Clerk of Court who shall record his/her observation/ description of the subject lot on whether there are occupants and residential houses, structures, improvements or on-going construction therein.

DOCUMENTARY AND OBJECT EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF THE ALLEGATIONS

14. Plaintiff will present the following documentary and object evidence: a.) Exhibit "A" - Identification Card of Engr. Anita L. Iringan

b.) Exhibit "B" - DENR Special Order No. 99-981

c.) Exhibit "C" - DENR Memorandum dated 13 August 2014

d.) Exhibit "D" - Sketch Plan and Plotting

e.) Exhibit "E" - Investigation Report dated 05 September 2014

f.) Exhibit "F" - Investigation Report dated 31 March 2017

g.) Exhibits "G", "G-1" to "G-7" - Geo-tagged Photographs

h.) Exhibit "H" - Identification Card of Ms. Jane G. Bautista

i.) Exhibit "I" - Residential Free Patent Application

j.) Exhibit "J" - OCT No. 2014000064

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing premises, it is respectfully prayed of this Honorable Court that judgment be rendered in favor of herein plaintiff:

1. DECLARING Free Patent No. 012812-12-00577 and OCT No. 2014000064 in the name of private defendant Arnulfo B. Dela Cruz, married to Jean C. Dela Cruz as null and void ab initio;

2. ORDERING the reversion of Lot No. 10 Block 6, CSD-01-023787-D, covered by the said patent and title to the mass of the public domain; and

3. ORDERING private defendants Spouses Arnulfo B. Dela Cruz and Jean C. Dela Cruz to surrender the owner's duplicate of OCT No. 2014000064 to public defendant Register of Deeds of Laoag City and directing said Register of Deeds to cancel the same as well as the original thereof and all other Transfer Certificate/s of Title derived therefrom; and

4. ORDERING the private defendants, their privies, agents, successors-in-interest and any other person claiming interest under said titles to vacate the premises and desist from representing or exercising any acts of ownership or possession thereof.

Other just and equitable forms of relief are likewise prayed for.

Done in Makati City for Laoag City, 02 September 2020.

JOSE CALIDA Solicitor General OBP Lifetime No. 015360, 8-16-16 Roll No. 24852 MCLE Exemption No. VII-OSG000228, 11-8-19

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MANIFESTATION

(Pursuant to Rule 13 of the 2019 Proposed Amendments to the 1997 Rules of Civil Procedure)

The OSG, pursuant to Section 9, Rule 13 of the Rules of Civil Procedure, as amended by A.M. No. 19-10-20-SC, respectfully manifests its consent to service by electronic means through the official e-mail address efile@osg.gov.ph. For this purpose, only pleadings, motions, notices, orders, judgments, and other court submissions transmitted to the official e-mail address until 5:00 p.m. of any working day will be considered officially served on said day, and any e-mail received beyond said time will be considered served only on the next working day. Kindly furnish a copy to the handling lawyer/s whose e-mail addresses appear herein.

(Sgd.) JOSEPH BENJAMIN P. TAGSA State Solicitor

VERIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION OF NON-FORUM SHOPPING

I, ATTY. CRIZALDY M. BARCELO, CESO III, Filipino, of legal age, and the Regional Executive Director of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Region I, La Union with office address at Government Center, Sevilla, San Fernando, La Union, after having been sworn in accordance with law, hereby depose and state:

I have caused the preparation of the foregoing complaint for cancellation of patent/title and reversion. The allegations in this complaint for cancellation of patent/title and reversion are true and correct based on my own knowledge and official records of the DENR.

The foregoing complaint for cancellation of patent/title and reversion is not being filed to harass, cause unnecessary delay, or needlessly increase the cost of litigation, and the factual allegations therein have evidentiary support after reasonable opportunity for discovery.

There is no other action or proceeding involving the parties and issues raised in this petition that has been commenced, or is pending with the Supreme Court of Appeals, or any Division thereof, or any tribunal or agency.

If I should thereafter learn that a similar action or proceeding

has been filed or is pending before the Supreme Court, the Honorable Court, or any of its different divisions, or any tribunal or agency, I undertake to promptly inform the aforesaid courts and other tribunal or agency thereof within five (5) calendar days therefrom.

(Sgd.) ATTY. CRIZALDY M. BARCELO Regional Executive Director DENR Region I

SUBSCRIBE AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME this 06 NOV 2020 at Laoag City affiant showing to me his/her DENR Identification Card No. OSEC-DENRB-BIR4-52-2014 as competent proof of his identity.

Doc No. 382 Page No. 78 Book No. XIX Series of 2020

(Sgd.) JAY RONALD EMIL JOHN D. LABRADO JR. NOTARY PUBLIC Province of Ilocos Norte and Laoag City Commission No. 2018-09; Until December 31, 2020 Roll of Attorneys No. 68901-05/30/2017 IBP No. 089634- 12/26/2019 PTR No. 2043087- 01/02/2020 MCLE Compliance No. VI-0005294 TIN 270-421-051-000

Section 2.2 of DENR Administrative Order No. 2010-12 or the "Rules and Regulations for the Issuance of Patents to Residential Lands under Republic Act No. 10023."

Section 1. Qualifications. - Any Filipino Citizen who is an actual occupant of a residential land may apply for Free Patent Title under this Act: Provided; That in highly urbanized cities, the land should not exceed two hundred (200) square meters in other cities, it should not exceed five hundred (500) square meters; and in all other municipalities, it should not exceed one thousand (1,000) square meters; Provided further, That the land applied for is not needed for public service and/or public use.

Section 3. Application. - The application on the land applied for shall be supported by a map based on an actual survey conducted by a licensed geodetic engineer and approved by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and a technical description of the land applied for together with supporting affidavit of two (2) disinterested persons who are residing in the barangay of the city or municipality where the land is located, attesting to the truth of the facts contained in the application to the effect that the application thereof has, either by himself or through his predecessor-in-interest, actually resided on and continuously possessed and occupied, under a bona fide claim of acquisition of ownership, the land applied for at least ten (10) years and has complied with the requirements prescribed in Section 1 thereof.

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Civil Case No. 17621-65 For CANCELLATION OF TITLE and REVERSION

SUMMONS

TO: MR. JHAN KEY C. DELA CRUZ Barangay No. 35 Billoca 2906 City of Batac Ilocos Norte

GREETINGS:

You are hereby required, within sixty (60) days after the service of this summons upon you, to file this Court and serve on the Plaintiffs your answer to the complaint, copy of which is attached, together with the annexes. You are reminded of the provision in the IBP-OCA Memorandum on Policy Guidelines dated 12 March 2002 to observe restraint in filing a motion to dismiss and instead allege the grounds thereof as defenses in the Answer. If you fail to answer within the time fixed, the plaintiffs will take judgment by default and may be granted the relief applied for in the complaint.

WITNESS the Hon. MYRA SHEILA M. NALUPTA, Presiding Judge of the Court, this 7th Day of November 2022, at Laoag City.

(Sgd.) ELEANOR N. VALDEZ-DE PERALTA Court Stenographer III/ Office-in-Charge (OIC) Branch Clerk of Court

Received original copies together with the copies of the complaint for service

Date Deputy Sheriff SHERIFF'S FEE PAID UNDER O.R. No. By:

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FIRST JUDICIAL REGION BRANCH 65 LAOAG CITY

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, REPRESENTED BY THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR), REGION I, SAN FERNANDO CITY, LA UNION, Plaintiff,

-versus-



Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
 Province of Ilocos Norte
 Municipality of San Nicolas

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In Compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 Guidelines in the Implementation of Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R. A. 10172), notice is hereby served to the public that **JANET ACOSTA LARANANG** has filed with this office, a petition for the correction of entry of DATE OF BIRTH from **"7-18-69"** to **"JULY 13, 1969"** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **JANETE LARANGNG** whose parents are Benjamin Laranang and Soledad Acosta.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **February 6, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **ROSEMARIE B. ANTOLIN**
 Municipal Civil Registrar

January 23-29, 2023
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RA Form No. 10.1 (LCRO)
 Republic of the Philippines
 Local Civil Registry Office
 Province of Ilocos Norte
 Municipality of Bacarra

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **ESTANISLAO M. ASUNCION** has filed with this office a petition for Change of First Name from **WENCESLAO** to **ESTANISLAO** in the birth certificate of **WENCESLAO ASUNCION** who was born on **September 28, 1971** at **Bacarra, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Fortunato Asuncion** and **Carlina Macuray**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **February 6, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **CLEMENTE S. GALIZA, PH.D**
 Municipal Civil Registrar

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Republic of the Philippines
Office of the City Civil Registrar
 Ilocos Norte
 Laoag City

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In Compliance with Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9048, notice is hereby served to the public that **REGINO LAMUG ALMAREZ** has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name from **"REGINO ROY"** to **"REGINO"** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **REGINO ROYALMAREZ** who was born on **June 7, 1962** at **Laoag City, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Rodrigo Almarez** and **Florencia Lamug**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **February 6, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **JEAN PASCUA MANUEL**
 City Civil Registrar

January 23-29, 2023
 & January 30-February 5, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **LEON A. LAGADAN** and **ALEJANDRA A. LAGADAN** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 12694, Cad 398, situated at Brgy. Quiling Sur, Batac City, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-56838 is the subject of an Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Absolute Sale executed by their heirs before Notary Public Atty. Reynaldo A. Corpuz; as per Doc. No. 5; Page No. 01; Book No. I; Series of 2023.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **GREGORIO SALUDARES** and **SATURNINA TECLA** pertaining to a parcel of land, situated at Brgy. Saludares, Dingras, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. 1971 has been adjudicated by her legal heirs **Lourd Angel Nacnac**, **Lloyd Maurice Imperial Nacnac** and **Lei Anne Nacnac Borja** as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Kenneth Paul Christian M. Agustin; as per Doc. No. 18; Page No. 5; Book No. I; Series of 2022.

Jan. 23, Jan. 30 & Feb. 6, 2023* *Ilocos Sentinel*

DEED OF ADJUDICATION OF REGISTERED REALTY WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **TEODORICO BAGAOISAN** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 8, Pcs-01-002510 (AR) VLT, being a portion of Lot 7372-A, Pcd-1-013791 (OLT), situated in Barangay Nalbo, Laoag City, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. C-593 has been adjudicated by his heirs **Emelinda M. Bagaoisan**, **Tedji M. Bagaoisan** and **Irene Glory B. Corpuz** and simultaneously sold unto **Reynaldo B. Bugaoisan** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Pristine Amber C. Aurelio; as per Doc. No. 49; Page No. II; Book No. VIII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **ANDRES S. EDROZO** & **ASUZENA del ROSARIO** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 16026 of the Vintar Cadastre Cad 577-D, situated at Barangay Mabanbanag, Vintar, Ilocos Norte, covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo (K.O.T.) Blg. P-75592 has been adjudicated by their heirs **Wyrlo Del Rosario Edrozo** and **Marjolyn Victoria Edroso-Collado** and simultaneously sold unto **Alexander C. Vinoya** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Nestor T. Corpuz; as per Doc. No. 363; Page No. 74; Book No. XXVIII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **IGNACIO DAMO** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot Nos. 34724-B and 34724-C, PSD-01-034654, situated at Barangay 06 San Juan, Bautista, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title (TCT) No. 22109 has been adjudicated by his heir **Maximo P. Damo** and simultaneously sold unto **Sps. Juanito B. Castro** and **Melanie G. Castro** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Erme S. Labayog; as per Doc. No. 167; Page No. 34; Book No. CXI; Series of 2023.

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DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **LEONARDO DACUYCUY** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 3318, situated at Brgy. 13 San Gabriel I, Bacarra, Ilocos Norte, covered by Tax Declaration No. 20-006-00047 has been extra-judicially settled among his heirs and simultaneously sold unto **Alvier T. Galapon** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Keith Jamaica L. Collado; as per Doc. No. 366; Page No. 75; Book No. X; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AND ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **PAULINO MARTIN** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 25960-C, situated in Brgy. 55-A, Laoag City, covered by TCT No. T-26712 has been extra-judicially settled among his heirs **Balbina M. Martin**, **Evelyn M. Asuncion**, **Anabella M. Sagucio**, **Fe M. Santiago**, **Marcial M. Martin**, **Rogelio M. Martin**, **Vilma M. Balantac** and **Leticia M. Ramos** and simultaneously sold unto **Nicoracion M. Pascual** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Juan Conrado A. Respicio II; as per Doc. No. 397; Page No. 80; Book No. DCLXI; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **VENANCIO MENOR** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 2190-F of the subdivision project, being a portion of Lot 2190, Laoag Cadastre, L.R.C. Cad. Record No. 1138), situated in the Barrio of Calayab (now) Balacad (before), City of Laoag, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-25753 has been adjudicated by his heir **Jermelina M. Corpuz** and simultaneously sold unto **Maria Regina C. Gameng** a portion of said lot equivalent to 1,197 sq.m. (Lot 7) in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Josephus R. Nerez; as per Doc. No. 430; Page No. 78; Book No. LXXXVII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF IDENTIFICATION OF HEIRS WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the HEIRS OF **PATRICIO GUITTAP** are the registered owners of two (2) parcels of land designated as Lot Nos. 32801 and 32803, Cad-398, both situated at Brgy. Sumader, Batac, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title Nos. P-15220 and P-14456, respectively; that **Teodulo S. Guittap** and **Fe Caridad Solsoloy Ordonia** are identified as the Heirs of **Patricio Guittap** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Francisco A. Musni; as per Doc. No. 249; Page No. 51; Book No. CXXXVII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AND ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **NICANOR M. MARTIN** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 25960-A, situated in Brgy. 55-A, Laoag City, covered by TCT No. T-26710 has been extra-judicially settled among his heirs **Concepcion S. Martin**, **Felicidad Martin Ramelb**, **Nicoracion Martin Pascual**, **Teresita Martin Sebastian** and **Daniel S. Martin** and simultaneously sold unto co-heir **Nicoracion Martin Pascual** in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Juan Conrado A. Respicio II; as per Doc. No. 81; Page No. 18; Book No. DCLXXVI; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased **VENANCIO MENOR** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 2190-F of the subdivision project, being a portion of Lot 2190, Laoag Cadastre, L.R.C. Cad. Record No. 1138), situated in the Barrio of Calayab (now) Balacad (before), City of Laoag, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-25753 has been adjudicated by his heir **Jermelina M. Corpuz** and simultaneously sold unto **Gabrielle Angelu C. Gameng** a portion of said lot equivalent to 1,197 sq.m. (Lot 8) in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Josephus R. Nerez; as per Doc. No. 429; Page No. 78; Book No. LXXXVII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE of UNSEGREGATED PORTION of a PARCEL of LAND

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of the deceased **VICTORINA TOLENTINO** pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 110, Pls-859-D, situated at Brgy. Aring, Badoc, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-55533 has been adjudicated by her legal heirs **Avelino D. Tolentino**, **Nancy Tolentino-Naidas** and simultaneously sold unto **Ofelia I. Palacpac** an unsegregated northern portion of said lot equivalent to 4,785 sq.m. in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Da Vinci Crisostomo; as per Doc. No. 244; Page No. 50; Book No. CDXXXIX; Series of 2022.

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL AND CITY SHERIFF MARCOS HALL OF JUSTICE LAOAG CITY

BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS (SUCCESSOR-IN-INTEREST OF BPI FAMILY SAVINGS BANK, INC.), Mortgagee,

-versus-

MARINA A. BADUA, Mortgagee.

RE: Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Mortgage Property under Act 3135, as amended

CASE NO. 18-2022

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CERTIFICATE OF SALE

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENT:

I, XAVIER F. GACHO, of legal age, married, Filipino citizen with postal address at the Office of the Provincial and City Sheriff, Marcos Hall of Justice, Laoag City, in my capacity as Acting Provincial and City Sheriff Ex-Officio of Ilocos Norte and Laoag City, do hereby certify that, pursuant to the petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended, filed by the above-named mortgagee, as well as the notice of auction sale issued in connection therewith, a public auction sale took place and held on November 17, 2022 at 10:00 in the morning, at the Main Entrance of Municipal Hall, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte under my direction and/or through my authorized deputy, whereby the properties hereunder described was sold to Atty. John John P. Felipe with postal address at #97 Brgy. 27, M.H. del Pilar St., Laoag City, in the amount of ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P 1,600,000.00) only, Philippine Currency, as the highest bidder at the time of sale, all rights, shares and participation which the above-named mortgagor have or might have had in the real property hereunder described together with all the improvements existing thereon, to wit:

CONDOMINIUM CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 022-2019000008

Andalucia Tower Unit No. 910 Floor No. 9th Floor Area --- 170.21 SQUARE METERS "BALAI CONDOMINIUMS" (1ST TOWER) PROJECT Located at Brgy. 1, San Francisco, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte Owner: Marina Badua Address: 2164 Puha St. Honolulu Hawaii and Brgy. Taguipuro, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte

X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X-X

That the amount bidded was applied for the satisfaction or to the payment of the obligation secured by the mortgage, including legal fees.

That this sale herein made is subject, however, to the right of redemption by the person or persons so authorized by law within the reglementary period as prescribed by law, as the case may be.

Laoag City, Philippines, December 7, 2022.

(Sgd.) XAVIER F. GACHO Acting Provincial and City Sheriff Ex-Officio

(Sgd.) ARCHIE V. CAJIGAL Sheriff-In-Charge

APPROVED BY:

(SGD.) MYRA SHEILA M. NALUPTA Executive Judge

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

BEFORE ME, personally appeared Atty. Xavier F. Gacho, Acting Provincial and City Sheriff of Ilocos Norte and Laoag City, with Community Tax Certificate No. 13335439 issued on February 16, 2022 at Piddig, Ilocos Norte, known to me and to me known personally to be the same person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same to be his own voluntary act and deed.

This instrument deals with the CERTIFICATE OF SALE executed by the above-named officers in favor to Atty. John John P. Felipe, for and in consideration of P 1,600,000.00. this Certificate of Sale consists of three (3) pages including this acknowledgment and pertains to the sale of Condominium Unit covered by Condominium Certificate of Title No. 022-2019000008, Unit 910, 9th Floor Andalucia Tower "Balai Condominiums" (1st Tower) Project with Floor Area of 170.21 square meters, situated at Brgy. 1, San Francisco, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte together with all the improvements erected thereon, and duly signed by said officer in accordance with law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my notarial seal, this 16th day of January 2023 in San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte.

(Sgd.) ATTY. ANGELI B. GAPUZAN

Notary Public for Ilocos Norte Notarial Commission No. 2022-67 until December 31, 2024 3/F Boy Const. Bldg., Brgy. 2, San Nicolas, I.N. Roll No. 70028 - June 2, 2017 IBP LIFETIME No. 017748; 06/23/2017 - I.N. PTR O.R. No. 0787901N; 01/03/2023 - I.N. MCLE Compliance No. VII-0009381; 02/12/22 TIN: 945-977-080

Doc. No. 29; Page No. 6; Book No. I; Series of 2023.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased ONOFRE C. RAQUINIO pertaining to a motor vehicle particularly a Tricycle with Franchise under Motorized Tricycle Operator's Permit (MTO) Case No. TC-2019-11-B49B-23 described as Make: HONDA/MOTORCYCLE; Serial/Chassis Number.:KB509 445712; Motor Number: KB509E 445742; MV File Number.: 0124-00000104064; Plate Number: AO 20073; Year Model: 2013; and Sidecar No.: B49B-23 has been adjudicated by his legal heirs and simultaneously waive all her rights and interest in the above-described tricycle including its Franchise in favor of co-heir Frances Deah A. Raquinio as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Francisco A. Musni; as per Doc. No. 67; Page No. 15; Book No. CXXXIX; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION AND ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased MARCELINO GACES pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 21041, Cad-734-D, situated in Barangay Baruyen, Bangui, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-55760 has been adjudicated by his legal heirs Albert D. Gaces and Ryan D. Gaces and simultaneously sold the aforesaid lot unto Spouses Rowena Z. Vera and Peter F. Vera as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Brian Jay Corpuz; as per Doc. No. 235; Page No. 48; Book No. XXX; Series of 2018.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION AND ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased ANASTACIA MARIANO pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 8081, situated in then Barrio of Buttong, Municipality of Laoag, but now Brgy. 49-B, Raraburan, Laoag City, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. 021-19778 has been adjudicated by her legal heirs Fely A. Socias and Cristina Alejandro Quinto and simultaneously sold the eastern portion with improvement (residential house) of the aforesaid lot equivalent to 785 sq.m. unto Sps. Richard S. Ranada & Ma. Criselda S. Ranada as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Jay Ronald Emil John D. Labrado Jr.; as per Doc. No. 248; Page No. 51; Book No. XXXII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF SELF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased REMIGIO BULOSAN, SR. pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 18741, situated at Brgy. Taguiporo, Bangui, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. C-13578 has been adjudicated by his sole legal heir Remigio B. Bulosan, Jr. as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Roque M. Riveral; as per Doc. No. 11; Page No. 4; Book No. I; Series of 2023.

Jan. 30, Feb. 6 & Feb. 13, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH AGREEMENT OF PARTITION

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased Spouses JULIAN PAGUIBITAN and CATALINA CALUYA aka CATALINA CALUYA PAGUIBITAN pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 24379, situated in Brgy. Tabug, Batac, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-22902 is the subject of Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate With Agreement of Partition executed among the legal heirs Lolita P. Verdadero, Lucina P. Yaba, Wilhelmina P. Advincola, Floramante C. Paguibitan, Erlinda P. Salvador, Editha P. Rambayon, Suerte P. Castro and Nelson C. Paguibitan before Notary Public Atty. Joel R. Garcia; as per Doc. No. 46; Page No. 11; Book No. CXIV; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH WAIVER & QUITCLAIM (Re: Estate of VALENTIN DALIGCON)

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased VALENTIN DALIGCON consisting of three (3) parcels of land designated as Lot Nos. 13389, 13362 and 13725, all covered by Original Certificate of Title (OCT) No. P-59851; all situated at Brgy. 12-Maab-abaca, Piddig, Ilocos Norte has been adjudicated by his legal heirs Juanita Daligcon Madanay, Monica Ventura Madanay, Salvador Sabado Daligcon, Shirley Daligcon Labuguen aka Leonila Daligcon Labuguen, Teresita Daligcon Crisostomo and Manuel Sabado Daligcon and simultaneously quitclaimed all their rights over the three (3) parcels of land in favor of co-heir Salvador Sabado Daligcon as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Aproniano B. Nicolas; as per Doc. No. 62; Page No. 14; Book No. XIV; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION OF ESTATE WITH DONATION

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased PETRONILO PAROAN and CELERINA SARIAN consisting of five (5) parcels of land designated as Lot Nos. 10724, 10941, 10727, 11116 and 11124, covered by Original Certificate of Title Nos. P-22068, P-20349, P-20350, P-20548 and P-20549; that the first three (3) lots are situated at Brgy. Bil-loca, Batac City, while the last two (2) lots are situated at Brgy. Quiling Norte, Batac, Ilocos Norte, has been adjudicated by their legal heirs Eduardo S. Paroan and simultaneously donate all aforesaid lots unto donees Edelaida S. Paroan and Sherwin P. Paroan, who accepted said donation as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Joel R. Garcia; as per Doc. No. 348; Page No. 71; Book No. CXII; Series of 2022.

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DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased Sps. BERNARDO B. DAQUIOAG and FELISA P. DAQUIOAG pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 21, Blk. 1, Csd-1-01284-D (Equivalent to Lot No. 34924, Cad-445-D), situated at Brgy. 15 Suba, Paoay, Ilocos Norte, covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-48978 has been adjudicated by their legal heir Marcelo P. Daquioag as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Kathleen Ann A. Bonador-Gumiran; as per Doc. No. 462; Page No. 93; Book No. XIV; Series of 2022.

Jan. 30, Feb. 6 & Feb. 13, 2023*Ilocos Sentinel

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased Spouses GUILLERMO T. DAQUIOAG and GREGORIA DUMBRIQUE DAQUIOAG pertaining to a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 4586-D, situated at Barrio Mang-ngato, Laoag City, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-19068 has been adjudicated by their legal heirs Guillermo Dumbrique Daquioag, Jr. and Evelyn Daquioag Trazo and simultaneously sold the aforesaid lot unto Kevin Ed O. Apostol and John John P. Felipe in an instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Luciano R. Caraang; as per Doc. No. 348; Page No. 70; Book No. CXC; Series of 2022.

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HVC Exponent Gas Station Batac-Banna Road Batac City





Republic of the Philippines
Province of Ilocos Norte
MUNICIPALITY OF PAGUDPUD
Zip Code No. 2919



EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF PAGUDPUD, ILOCOS NORTE, HELD ON NOVEMBER 2, 2022 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL.

PRESENT:

- Hon. Melvyn B. Calvan, II., Municipal Vice-Mayor/ Presiding Officer,
Hon. Rex Constantino S. Benemerito, Jr., Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Efren F. Cimatu, Jr., Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Imelda B. Llanes, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Nestor M. Asuncion, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Nathaniel S. Edu, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Mercedes R. Carizal, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Reynald M. Garvida, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Melvin A. Viernes, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Renz Carlo N. Sacsac, SK Representative.

ABSENT:

- Hon. Mariecel R. Garvida, ABC Representative.

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022B-032

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2012-055

WHEREAS, Municipal Ordinance No. 2012-055 is the ordinance regulating the granting of franchise for Tricycles in the Municipality of Pagudpud, Ilocos Norte,

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend certain provisions of the ordinance to adapt to the exigency during the occurrence of pandemic, war, and other causes that affects the non-operations of MTF holders for a long period of time,

WHEREAS, the Tricycle operators are yearning to extend the validity period of franchise, from five (5) years to ten (10) years to compensate their loss opportunity to earn a living during the occurrence of Covid-19 Pandemic and to fully recover from the adverse effect of the pandemic,

WHEREAS, tricycle operators must secure certificate of Good Moral Standing, as a documentary requirement to their application for renewal of MTF and annual Tricycle Business Permit issued by the Business Permits and Licensing Office,

WHEREAS, there is need to increase fare rate due to instability of oil prices,

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend certain provisions as set forth in Municipal Ordinance No. 2012-055, in order to adapt to the changing times such as the occurrence of pandemic, soaring or instability of oil prices, war and the likes, adjust the validity period of MTF and require Certificate of Good Moral Standing from BPLO as attach document in renewing MTF and Annual Tricycle Business Permit.

WHEREFORE, on motion of Honorable Nathaniel S. Edu duly seconded by Honorable Efren F. Cimatu, Jr., Honorable Reynald M. Garvida and Honorable Melvin A. Viernes, be it ordained that

Section 1. There should be added subsections and amendments for Section 3 of Municipal Ordinance No. 2012-055.

- Section 3-A xxxxxxxxxxxx CLEARANCES
3.10 court clearances (MCTC/RTC)
3.11 Certificate of Good Moral Standing (from BPLO)

Section 2. Section 8 of Municipal Ordinance No. 2012-055 and provision of additional subsections to read as follows:

Section 8 of Municipal Ordinance No. 2012-055 read as follows:
Section 8 xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
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8.11 The MTF shall be valid for a period of ten (10) years from date of approval to compensate on lost possibility of earnings of MTF holders brought by Covid-19 Pandemic.

8.11 a. MTF holders who fails to renew their franchise, fails to renew their motor vehicle registration during the occurrence of pandemic, war, and the likes that causes the non-operational of units for a long period, be given special consideration allowing documents of unregistered motor vehicles as attachment in their application for franchise renewal. Provided that, there is no verified violation committed and reported to the Sangguniang Bayan prior to the processing of their application of renewal. Provided further, that said unit be restricted at applicants dwelling pending the approval of their MTF.

8.17 MTF grantee or driver shall initially charge the approved fare or rate; Php 15.00 for the first kilometer and Php 2.00 for every succeeding kilometers. Senior Citizens, Persons with disabilities and students be charge Php 12.00 for the first kilometer and Php 1.60 for every kilometer thereafter. Provided, that in case of special trip, the driver must first get the consent of the passenger before departing the destination. Without the consent of the passenger, the rate must be strictly followed.

8.18 MTF grantee or driver shall charge the special trip tour, Php 750.00 for the North Bound Tour inclusive of going to Kabigan Falls, Blue Lagoon, Patapat Viaduct, Agua Grande an Rock Formation and Burgos Light House. Provided, that on the South Tour, existing memorandum of agreements, ordinances and national laws be properly observed upon entry on the territorial jurisdiction outside of the Municipality of Pagudpud. Provided, further, that the Sangguniang Bayan of Pagudpud shall be the sole authorizing body responsible for the increase and decrease of fare rates for Special Trip Tour by a 2/3 votes of all members of the Sangguniang Bayan.

Section 3. Provisional increase of fare be granted during exigency due to adverse effects of instability of oil prices, pandemic, war and other causes of downfall of economy. A petition from the existing association of MTF holders, thorough study of the Sangguniang Bayan, properly endorsed, motioned by the Committee on Transportation, concurred by the majority members,

and the approval of the Local Chief Executive (LCE) are needed. Provided that a provisional decrease of fare be granted when there is an abrupt decrease of oil prices and its by-products. Granting of provisional decrease of fare be determined on the existing price of oil from the effectivity of this ordinance. Provided, further, that a petition for decrease of fare be initiated by any tricycle commuter duly endorse to the Local Chief Executive or to the Sangguniang Bayan for appropriate action.

Section 4. No MTF grantee or driver is allowed to convey passenger without a valid business sticker issued by the Municipal Treasury upon payments of all fees needed in the renewal of Tricycle Business Permit every January. Provided, said sticker be place in front of the sidecar of the tricycle. This would be a deterrent on the eradication of "colurum tricycles".

Section 5. Repealing Clause. Any ordinance or provisions thereof which are inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 6. Effectivity. This ordinance shall take effect upon the approval and the necessary posting are required by law.

VOTING on the above ordinance was as follows:

IN-FAVOR- Sangguniang Bayan Members Benemerito, R. C. Jr., Cimatu, E. Jr., Llanes, I., Asuncion, N., Edu, N., Carizal, M., Garvida, R., Viernes, M., and SK Representative Sacsac, R. C.

NOT IN FAVOR: None.
ABSTENTION: None.

I HEREBY certify to the correctness of the above-quoted ordinance.

(SGD) SALVACION E. LAGUNDINO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

(SGD) MELVYN B. CALVAN, II
Municipal Vice-Mayor, Presiding Officer
November 24, 2022

APPROVED:

(SGD) RAFAEL RALPH L. BENEMERITO, II
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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF PAGUDPUD, ILOCOS NORTE, HELD ON NOVEMBER 2, 2022 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL.

PRESENT:

- Hon. Melvyn B. Calvan, II., Municipal Vice-Mayor/ Presiding Officer,
Hon. Rex Constantino S. Benemerito, Jr., Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Efren F. Cimatu, Jr., Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Imelda B. Llanes, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Nestor M. Asuncion, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Nathaniel S. Edu, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Mercedes R. Carizal, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Reynald M. Garvida, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Melvin A. Viernes, Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Renz Carlo N. Sacsac, SK Representative.

ABSENT:

- Hon. Mariecel R. Garvida, ABC Representative.

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022B-033

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ANIMAL OWNERS TO LEASH THEIR ANIMALS UNLESS CAGED OR KEPT INSIDE A FULLY FENCED LAWN WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAGUDPUD, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE, AUTHORIZING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF AN ANIMAL POUND AND THE COLLECTION OF FEES FOR THE PROPER USE AND MAINTENANCE THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the LGU to ensure safety of people within the jurisdiction of Pagudpud, Ilocos Norte, residents and non-residents;

WHEREAS, the increasing number of motorcycle accidents are due to stray animals roaming in the streets;

WHEREAS, people who opted to bike are often chased by stray animals endangering their lives;

WHEREAS, a lot of people walking along streets are being chased by stray animals threatening to bite them;

WHEREAS, there are animal owners who are irresponsible and prefer their animals to go stray;

WHEREAS, these animal owners are apathetic or show no concern at all even their animals would chase people that are walking and even those that are riding on bikes or motor bikes;

WHEREAS, animals not leashed, caged or kept inside a fully fenced lawn are the ones chasing people;

WHEREAS, it is for these reasons why the Sangguniang Bayan on motions or suggestions of Barangay Captains enacts this ordinance;

WHEREFORE, on motion of Honorable Nestor M. Asuncion duly seconded by Honorable Efren F. Cimatu, Jr. and Honorable Nathaniel S. Edu, be it ordained that

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SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as “**THE 2022 ORDINANCE REQUIRING ANIMAL OWNERS TO LEASH THEIR ANIMALS NOT UNLESS CAGED OR KEPT IN A FULLY FENCED LAWN WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAGUDPUD, ILOCOS NORTE**”.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE. Consistent with the declared policy of the State to safeguard life, ensure public health and safety, and promote the general welfare of the people. To this end this Code is enacted.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. As used in this Code, the following words and phrases shall mean and be construed as hereunder indicated:

- a. ANIMAL OWNER – refers to any person who has possession in terms of title or proprietorship or has actual control of an animal.
- b. DOMESTICATED ANIMAL – refers to any animal species which are tamed and within the household of residents.
- c. SMALL ANIMAL – refers to any animal weighing one (1) kilogram or less but not to exceed one hundred fifty (150) kilograms.
- d. LARGE ANIMAL – refers to any animal weighing at least one hundred fifty-one (151) kilograms and above.
- e. ANIMAL POUND – refers to a fixed enclosure complete with personnel and facilities for the temporary keeping of stray animals found within the municipality, to be hereinafter referred to as the “Municipal Pound.”
- f. STRAY ANIMAL – refers to any animal such as dog, cat, poultry, horse, goat, cow, carabao, wildlife, exotic and endangered species and the like at loose or elsewhere wandering in public places within the town without being accompanied by its owner.
- g. WILDLIFE – refers to any animal species which naturally evolves or establishes its population in the wild without human aid or intervention.
- h. LEASH – a strap or cord for restraining and guiding a dog or other animals
- i. FULLY FENCED LAWN -a lawn that is secured with fence where animal cannot get in as well as get out of the place
- j. CAGE – a structure where animals are confined
- k. ANIMALS -domesticated animals like dogs, cats, pigs, goats, carabao, cow, horse

SECTION 4. PROHIBITED ACTS.

- a. No person shall be allowed not to register his animal in the barangay.
- b. No animal owner shall be allowed not to leash their animals, put their animals in cage, keep their animals in a fully fenced lawn.
- c. No person shall allow his/her animal to wander elsewhere in any public places within the municipality without the company of its owner and that their animal should be leashed even in their company
- d. No person shall be allowed to carry his animal in a vehicle without leash except when the animal is completely enclosed inside the vehicle
- e. It shall be also unlawful to bring pets during the conduct of fiestas, public gatherings and programs and the like.
- f. It shall be unlawful for any personnel of the Municipal Pound to maltreat, torture, poison, or inflict suffering or harm to any impounded animal.
- g. It shall be unlawful for any person to oppose, resist, or interfere with Municipal Pound personnel from performing a duty mandated of such personnel to perform pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. ESTABLISHMENT OF ANIMAL POUND.

- a. There shall be established animal pound in the municipality to be officially named as Pagudpud Animal Pound and to be referred to hereinafter as the Municipal Pound.
- b. The Municipal Pound shall exclusively function as temporary lockdown for all seized stray animals.
- c. The pound shall be situated at a definite site within the Municipality, with an environment not harmful to animal health and safety, this to be determined and designated for by the Municipal Mayor pursuant to the town’s subsisting zoning plan.
- d. The Municipal Pound shall be administered by the Office of the Municipal Agriculturist and shall consist of facilities necessary to properly carry out the purposes and functions of an animal pound.
- e. Funds necessary for the establishment and operation of the Municipal Pound shall be appropriated in the Municipal government’s annual budget and/or any supplemental appropriation as the case may be, subject to the pertinent provisions of RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, and other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 6. AUTHORITY TO IDENTIFY STRAY ANIMALS, SEIZE AND IMPOUND.

Authority is hereby granted to the following local government personnel to identify stray animals, seize and cause the impoundment of any stray animal right at the instance of its sighting:

- a. The Municipal Agriculturist or any officer or staff under his office;
- b. Deputized enforcers to be determined by the Office of the Mayor;
- c. Barangay Officials and Tanods;
- d. Philippine National Police (PNP) Personnel.

SECTION 7. REGISTRATION OF ANIMALS.

Animal owners are required to have their animals registered in the barangay. Non-compliance means penalty as provided by section 14 per animal not registered.

SECTION 8. NO CONTACT APPREHENSION OR NO SEIZURE OF THE STRAY ANIMALS.

Animal owners who do not leash their animals, or put them in a cage or keep them in a fully fenced lawn and had been identified by any of those people under section 6 above shall be fined by PhP500.00 without seizing the stray animal.

SECTION 9. IMPOUNDMENT. When the person under Section 5 had not yet leashed or kept his animals in a cage after five (5) days:

- a. His/her stray animals shall be seized and impounded at the Municipal Pound until such time that the same are properly released to its lawful claimant.
- b. Impoundment and release of any such animal/s shall be pursuant to the following guidelines:

- (1) Impoundment period shall not exceed five (5) days including Saturdays and Sundays, except when impoundment for more than the prescribed period is necessarily called for by medical reasons, in which case the animal owner of such impounded animal shall be duly advised.
- (2) All animals impounded pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall be fully entitled to proper custody, care, shelter and sustenance.

c. Animals which have died within the impoundment period shall be disposed of according to proper veterinary and health procedures. The Municipal Pound shall not take any responsibility whatsoever for any animal death, except when such death can be proven to have been due to

neglect or deliberate cruelty on the part of the staff concerned.

d. No wildlife, exotic or endangered animals seized while wandering in public places shall be subject to impoundment but, right upon capture, be forthwith committed for proper care and custody to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), except: that when upon capture such wildlife is found to have been exhibiting symptoms of communicable diseases, then same shall be euthanized pursuant to the pertinent provisions of Administrative Order No. 21, Series of 1999, otherwise known as the Code of Conduct in the Euthanasia for Pets/Companion Animals and Slaughter of Animals for Food as amended by AO. No. 13 Series of 2010.

e. No bomb-sniffing, drug-sniffing or any police dogs shall for any reason be subject to impoundment.

f. Any animal owner may opt to voluntarily commit an animal for temporary custody at the Municipal Pound for a period not to exceed ten (10) days, subject to payment of the prescribed fees. Custodial days shall be from Mondays through Fridays, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and other legal holidays.

SECTION 10. NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT.

a. Within twelve (12) hours starting from the time an animal was committed for impoundment at the Municipal Pound, the personnel-in-charge shall locate and identify its animal owner, after which notice of impoundment shall forthwith be issued and served to such person.

b. When no animal owner shall have been located and identified with the impounded animal the same shall ipso facto be deemed abandoned, thus be properly disposed in accordance with the pertinent provisions of Section 9 of this Ordinance.

c. The personnel-in-charge of the Municipal Pound shall, from time to time, make a list of all impounded animals thereat, complete with corresponding identifiable description to include kind, breed, color, and other unique markings, if any there be, and post such list at designated public posting boards within the municipality.

SECTION 11. REDEMPTION.

a. An animal owner may, at any time within the regular working hours after due receipt of the notice of impoundment issued pursuant to Section 8 (a) of this Ordinance but not to exceed 5 days after impoundment, redeem an impounded animal right upon payment of the necessary fees and incidental charges.

b. Whenever an animal owner, after due notice, deliberately refuses or neglects to redeem an impounded animal within the allowable period herein prescribed, she/he shall be made to pay a fine corresponding to P500.00 for each day of default, or render community service equivalent to one (1) day for each day of default.

SECTION 12. DISPOSITION. The following rules shall govern the disposition of animals impounded at the Municipal Pound:

a. Unclaimed animals at the Municipal Pound shall ipso facto be deemed abandoned, thus become eligible for adoption and may be released to any interested party after the lapse of three (3) days from the time of impoundment, provided: that such animal does not exhibit symptoms of any communicable disease.

b. Whenever no interested party may opt to adopt, the Municipal Agriculturist shall have the right to cause such abandoned animal to be sold at a public auction.

c. Abandoned animals exhibiting symptoms of any communicable diseases shall forthwith be euthanized pursuant to the pertinent provisions of Administrative Order No. 21, Series of 1999, otherwise known as the Code of Conduct in the Euthanasia for Pets/Companion Animals and Slaughter of Animals for Food.

d. No abandoned animal shall be euthanized without the approval of the Municipal Agriculturist.

e. Abandoned animals eligible for adoption shall, before its release to any interested party, be administered with anti-rabies vaccine. Deliberate omission or neglect on the part of the personnel-in-charge at the Municipal Pound to perform this responsibility shall subject such person to administrative and/or criminal sanctions.

f. Fees and other proceeds collected and accumulated in connection with the enforcement of this Ordinance shall be held in trust by the Local Government Unit to be allocated only for the procurement of vaccines and other priority purchases of the Municipal Pound or other activities or programs relative thereto. Allocation and disbursement of said funds shall be done in accordance with the pertinent provisions of Chapter 2, Title V of RA 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991 and other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 13. ANIMAL OWNER’S LIABILITY CLAUSE. Animal owners shall be liable to any accident, lost of life, destruction of property as a result of these unkept animals.

SECTION 14. PENALTY CLAUSE. Violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall subject the violator to the following fines as penalties:

- a. Five hundred Pesos (P500.00) for first offense;
- b. One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) for second offense; and
- c. Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) for third and subsequent violations.

SECTION 15. CONSTITUTION OF MONITORING TEAM. The Local Chief Executive through an appropriate order shall constitute a committee who shall supervise and monitor the implementation of this ordinance whose members shall be but not limited to:

- a. Municipal Agriculture Office as the team leader
- b) Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer
- c) Municipal Tourism
- d) one representative from the PNP
- e) Two (2) representatives from an NGO to be designated by the Local Chief Executive, as members. The Team shall perform the following functions, duties and responsibilities: a) Act as recommending body to the Local Chief Executive for effective/proper implementation of the Ordinance; b) Oversee the Information, Education and Communication (IEC) Campaign of every barangay; c) Monitor compliance of every stakeholder to the Ordinance; d) Formulate a system of rewards and incentives for complying stakeholders

SECTION 16. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS. The Local Chief Executive and the committee as specified under section 15 shall formulate Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) for the effective and efficient implementation of this ordinance.

SECTION 17. REPEALING CLAUSE. The provisions of previous local enactments, resolutions, memoranda, circulars, and other issuances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 18. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. In the event that any provision of this Ordinance is found or decreed to be invalid or unconstitutional, all other provisions hereof not affected by such findings or decree shall remain to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 19. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Ordinance shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following the completion of its full publication in any newspaper of general circulation within the Province of Ilocos Norte.

VOTING on the above ordinance was as follows:

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IN-FAVOR- Sangguniang Bayan Members Benemerito, R. C. Jr., Cimatú, E. Jr., Llanes, I., Asuncion, N., Edu, N., Carizal, M., Garvida, R., Viernes, M., and SK Representative Sacsac, R. C.

NOT IN FAVOR: None.

ABSTENTION: None.

I HEREBY certify to the correctness of the above-quoted ordinance.

(SGD) **SALVACION E. LAGUNDINO**
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

(SGD) **MELVYN B. CALVAN, II**
Municipal Vice-Mayor, Presiding Officer
November 24, 2022

APPROVED:

(SGD) **RAFAEL RALPH L. BENEMERITO, II**
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approved by the FDA.

c. Over-the-counter medicine – this refers to medicine used for symptomatic or minor ailments and which may be dispensed without a prescription.

d. Pharmaceutical products – refer to drugs medicine, biological, pharmaceutical and biopharmaceutical product/specialties, veterinary products veterinary biologists and veterinary medicinal products.

e. Pharmacist refers – to a health professional who has been registered and issued a valid certificate or registration and Professional identification card by the PRC and the Professional Regulation Board of Pharmacy.

f. Pharmacist only OTC medicines – refer to over-the-counter medicines classified by appropriate government agencies to be obtained only from licensed pharmacist, with mandatory pharmacist advice on their selection and proper use.

g. Prescription Medicine – refer to the medicines which can only be dispensed by a pharmacist to a patient, upon presentation of a valid prescription from a physician dentist or veterinarian and for which a pharmacist's advice is necessary.

h. Sari-sari stores – refer to retailing stores selling a general line of merchandise classified as micro-enterprises.

SECTION 3. GUIDELINES AND PROHIBITIONS – In accordance to DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2022-025 hereunder are strictly followed:

1. Pursuant Section 30 of Republic Act No. 10918, otherwise known as the Philippine Pharmacy Act prohibits the compounding, dispensing, selling or resulting of pharmaceutical product through retail drug outlets not licensed by the Food and Drugs Administration.

2. Sari-sari store and other similar retail outlets and micro-enterprises are prohibited from dispensing, selling, or reselling prescription a pharmacist- only OTC Medicines as defined and classified by the FDA, as their medicine may only be dispensed by or obtained from a licensed pharmacist and with said licensed pharmacist's advice, pursuant to RA10918.

Owners of these establishments may, however, apply for authorization from the FDA to dispense, sell and resell pharmaceutical products limited to household remedies and OTC drugs (which are not pharmacist-only) by securing the requirements outlined in the immediately succeeding paragraph.

3. Other stores such as convenient stores. Cooperative-run stores and other small medium enterprises which intend to sell household remedies and OTC drugs (which are not pharmacist-only) are first required to apply as Retail Outlet for Non-Prescription Drugs (RONPD) pursuant to FDA CIRCULAR No. 2014-028 and secure the following:

- A license to operate (LTO) from the FDA;
- The employment of the supervision and oversight of a duly registered licensed pharmacist, pursuant to Section 31 (b) of RA 10918; and
- Other requirements imposed by the FDA on its LTO applicant.

4. The distribution of COVID-19 drugs shall be governed by policies set forth by the FDA and Department of Health.

5. The possession, dispensing, selling, or reselling of counterfeit pharmaceutical products are prohibited and shall be governed by the provision of RA 8203.

SECTION 4. The Local Government Unit in coordination with the Municipal Health Office Philippines National Police and the Barangays are enjoined to assist in the information education campaign and enforcement of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. PENAL PROVISION. Any person violating the provisions of the ordinance shall be penalized by a fine or not less than One Thousand Pesos (PhP1, 000.00) but not more than Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (PhP2, 500.00) and revocation of their business permit in accordance with the Revised Penal Code as the case maybe.

SECTION 6. REPEALING CLAUSE- All Ordinances, resolution and other issuances inconsistent with the provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed and modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE- If for any reason any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid unconstitutional by appropriate agency or office, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE- This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval.

VOTING on the above ordinance was as follows:

IN-FAVOR: Sangguniang Bayan Members Cimatú, E. Jr., Asuncion, N., Edu, N., Carizal, M., Garvida, R., Viernes, M., ABC Representative Garvida, M., and SK Representative Sacsac, R. C.

NOT IN FAVOR: None.

ABSTENTION: None.

I HEREBY certify to the correctness of the above-quoted resolution.

(SGD) **CATHERINE V. AGREDA**
Local Legislative Staff Officer I
Temporary Secretary

ATTESTED:

(SGD) **MELVYN B. CALVAN, II**
Municipal Vice-Mayor, Presiding Officer
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PRESENT:

Hon. Melvyn B. Calvan, II.,	Municipal Vice-Mayor/ Presiding Officer,
Hon. Efren F. Cimatú, Jr.,	Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Nestor M. Asuncion,	Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Nathaniel S. Edu,	Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Mercedes R. Carizal,	Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Reynald M. Garvida,	Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Melvin A. Viernes,	Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Mariecel R. Garvida,	ABC Representative,
Hon. Renz Carlo N. Sacsac,	SK Representative.

ABSENT:

Hon. Rex Constantino S. Benemerito, Jr.,	Sangguniang Bayan Member,
Hon. Imelda B. Llanes,	Sangguniang Bayan Member.

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2022B-035

ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE DISPENSING, SELLING AND RESELLING OF PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS IN SARI-SARI STORES AND OTHER SIMILAR RETAIL OUTLETS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAGUDPUD, ILOCOS NORTE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF."

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Constitution mandates the State to protect to promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code provides that:

"Every local government unit shall expertise the proper expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdiction, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to balance ecology, encourage and support the development of appropriate and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, improve public morals, enhance economic prosperity and social justice, promote full employment among their residents, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants."

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8203 otherwise known as the Special Law in Counterfeit Drugs, prohibits any person from manufacturing, selling, offering for sale, donating, distributing, trafficking, brokering, exporting, importing or processing counterfeit drugs; NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Honorable Melvin A. Viernes, duly seconded by Honorable Efren F. Cimatú, Jr., Honorable Nathaniel S. Edu and Honorable Reynald M. Garvida, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Pagudpud, Ilocos Norte, by virtue of the powers vested in law, in session duly assembled that:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as "**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE DISPENSING, SELLING AND RESELLING OF PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS IN SARI-SARI STORES AND OTHER SIMILAR RETAIL OUTLETS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAGUDPUD, ILOCOS NORTE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF."**

SECTION 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS: As used in this Ordinance, terms are defined hereunder:

a. Counterfeit pharmaceutical product – refer to pharmaceutical product which do not contain the amounts as claimed, with wrong ingredients without active ingredients or with un sufficient quality of active ingredient, which results in the reduction of the products safety, efficacy, quantity, strength and purity. These also refer to the products that are deliberately and fraudulently mislabeled with respect to identify and/or source or with fake packaging, and can apply to both branded and generic products.

b. Household remedies – refer to any containing pharmaceutical substances of common or ordinary use to relieve common physical anthers ad which may be dispensed without a medical prescription in original packages, bottles per containers of which the nomenclature has been duly

CCC supports Ilocos Norte R&D symposium to build capacities on climate change adaption, mitigation

BATAC, ILOCOS NORTE, 01 February 2023 — The Climate Change Commission PH (CCC) highlights the importance of research and development (R&D) and capacity building toward strengthening local communities' capacities on climate change adaptation and mitigation actions.

CCC Vice Chairperson and Executive Director (VCED) Robert E.A. Borje, together with Commissioners Rachel Anne S. Herrera and Albert P. Dela Cruz Sr., joined the opening ceremony of the 34th Regional Symposium on R&D Highlights organized by the Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU) and the Ilocos Agriculture, Aquatic Resources Research and Development Consortium (IAARRDC).

The CCC delegation was welcomed by Dr. Shirley C. Agrupis, MMSU President, and Dr. Nathaniel Alibuyog, MMSU Vice Chairperson for Research and Extension and member of the CCC's National Panel of Technical Experts.

In his keynote address, VCED Borje emphasized the importance of scientific research and the vital role of local government units and local scientists in addressing climate change.

"Science is key for our collective success. The 34th Regional Symposium on Research and Development Highlights is critical to the advancement of home-grown and developed science to drive decision makers to make climate change policy decisions that matter, up to the barangay level," VCED Borje stressed.

The CCC vows to continue its efforts in building and strengthening partnerships with the academe, private sector, development partners, and relevant stakeholders to be linked with scientists and innovators to deliver and implement more climate actions with tangible results.

"To our local researchers present here today, we need you. The country needs you. And most importantly, our shared future needs you,"

VCED Borje emphasized.

In their messages, Commissioners Herrera and Dela Cruz also expressed their support for MMSU's strong and successful implementation of programs related to environmental sustainability and climate action.

"I am aware of the region's efforts in climate adaptation and mitigation and your goal to develop resilient and adaptive communities... This vision, together with the tools of science, will help us prepare for climate change as a region and as a climate vulnerable developing country,"

Commissioner Herrera proposed.

"Climate change is really a big problem, but today's event is the answer—scientific research and development is the foundation for us to have a sustainable food security for our country," said Commissioner Dela Cruz.

With the theme, "Pagkain sa Bansa ay Siguraduhin, Likas-yamang Produksyon ng Agrikultura't Pangisdaan

ay Isulong Natin Ayon sa Pagbabago ng Panahon," the three-day annual symposium focuses on the presentation and recognition of R&D technologies and breakthroughs.

Representatives from the national government agencies, academic and scientific communities, local government units, the private sector, and non-governmental organizations attended the event, which took place from 1 to 3 February 2023 at the Teatro Ilocandia, Mariano Marcos State University, Batoc, Ilocos Norte.

The MMSU, in collaboration with the CCC, also organized the Local Planners Forum to discuss the development and enhancement of Local Climate Change Action Plans (LCCAPs) and access to the People's Survival Fund (PSF). The Forum will be attended by planning officers, environment and natural resources officers, and disaster risk reduction and management officers from 24 LGUs in Ilocos Norte. (Justin Kim S. Sy Egco)

Ilocos farmers receive Aggie interventions

Thousands of farmers from the 2nd district of Ilocos Norte benefitted from various interventions of the Department of Agriculture on February 3, 2023.

Under the RCEF-RFFA program, a total of 2135 rice farmers from Currimaog and San Nicolas received a cash grant amounting to 5,000, while 535 individuals from the municipalities of Batoc City, Dingras, Nueva Era, Paoay, and Solsona and 3927 from Dingras received fuel subsidy and fertilizer discount voucher, respectively.

Agricultural machinery, equipment and inputs were likewise awarded to farmers'

associations, and individuals under the DA's regular programs and the Balik Probinsya Bagong Pag-asa program.

Pump and engine set, power sprayer, hand tractor, animal zoological Forage chopper, egg incubator, botanical pesticides, nesting baskets, seedling tray, garden shovel and rake, trowel, sprinklers and crates are among the aggie supports distributed.

Present at the event was 2nd district representative Congressman Angelo Marcos Barba who assured the recipients of his continuous support to the agri-fishery sector.

EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SALE

Notice is hereby given that the intestate estate of deceased Sps. Juan M. Barba and Lourdes Cabanos-Barba consisting of three (3) parcels of land designated as Lot Nos. 18886, 18890 and 18974, all situated in the Barrio of Catuguing, Municipality of San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte, all covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-4670 has been extrajudicially settled among their legal heirs as per instrument executed before Notary Public Atty. Luciano R. Caraang; as per Doc. No. 286; Page No. 58; Book No. 213; Series of 2023.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In Compliance with Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9048, notice is hereby served to the public that **LIGAYA CRISTOBAL JULIAN** has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name from "**LIGAYA, LILIAN**" to "**LIGAYA**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **LIGAYA, LILIAN CARIÑO CRISTOBAL** who was born on **April 14, 1965** at **Laoag City, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Joaquin Cristobal** and **Marcelina Cariño**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **February 13, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **JEAN PASCUA MANUEL**
City Civil Registrar

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **ARNEL N. CACAL** has filed with this office a petition for Change of First Name from **CLARO** to **ARNEL** in the birth certificate of **CLARO CACAL** who was born on **February 8, 1977** at **Bacarra, Ilocos Norte** and whose parents are **Guillermo Cacal** and **Maria Natividad**.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than **February 17, 2023**.

(Sgd.) **CLEMENTE S. GALIZA, PH.D**
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GLS-compliant when they are proven to observe minimum wage rates, social coverages such as Social Security System (SSS), PhilHealth, and Pag-IBIG Fund, and other statutory monetary benefits.

In OSH standards, DOLE Ilocos accounted 71.91% compliance rate in 2022.

"While this is at par the guiding compliance rate of 70%, improvements can be made. For 2023, we shall strengthen our efforts to ensure more establishments are compliant to OSH," Guzman directed the inspectorate.

He also set the agenda that for 2023, the DOLE Ilocos shall prioritize to inspect medium and large

establishments.

He has also initiated talks with social partners, such as the SSS, to ensure sustainability of compliances.

"These are steps we take ahead. In February, our inspectors shall take part in the National Labor Inspection Summit, where amendments in the inspection guidelines are anticipated to be discussed," he added.

Meanwhile, the 2022 Labor Inspection results also showed top non-compliance areas such as on overtime pay, holiday pay, and basic wage pay for GLS; and the absence of first aider, safety officer, and OSH program for OSH. (April Bravo/PIA Pangasinan)

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upang lahat ng mga pasyente ay mabigyan ng kinakailangan nilang medical care at treatment at hindi na kinakailangang pumunta sa mga malalayong hospital upang makapagpagamot."

The MRI machine was funded by the health

department for ₱48.5 million through its General Appropriations Act of 2020 and facilitated by its Health Facility Enhancement Program (HFEP).

The HFEP's objective is to improve public health facilities by constructing

new and upgrading and rehabilitating existing public health facilities and services across the country.

Ilocos Norte Governor Matthew Joseph M. Manotoc, who received the equipment through a deed of donation,

expressed his appreciation for the donation.

He assured that the donated equipment will be utilized in accordance to its purpose and ensured that it will be properly maintained and well taken care of. (GLEN S. RAMOS/DOH-Region I)



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DOLE Ilocos logs 86% compliance rate for labor standards

DAGUPAN CITY (PIA) – The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) in Ilocos Region recorded an 86.71% compliance rate for General Labor Standards (GLS) though businesses in the region are still recovering from the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Labor Information Officer Justin Paul Marbella said there are 2,506 private establishments in the region that have been inspected and monitored under the Labor Inspection Program in 2022, and 2,173 of these firms passed the GLS.

“DOLE-Region 1 noted third highest accomplishments rate in the entire country,” Marbella added.

DOLE Ilocos regional director Exequiel Ronie Guzman said these numbers are reflective of the generally-healthy labor environment in the region.

“This shows that even when businesses and enterprises are still recovering from the

economic impacts of the pandemic, employers are still mindful of their obligations to their workers,” Guzman said.

The Labor Inspection Program aims to strengthen the “visitorial” and enforcement powers under the Labor Code of the Philippines to ensure compliance of private establishments with labor laws and standards particularly the GLS, Occupational Safety and Health (OSH), and OSH-Covid.

A total of 56,293 workers were covered in the inspection activities.

Some 475 establishments inspected were in Ilocos Norte, 609 in Ilocos Sur, 538 in La Union, and 884 in Pangasinan.

Most of the establishments inspected were micro (1-9 workers) at 1,331 establishments; small (10-99 workers) at 1,077; medium (100-199 workers) at 61; and large (200 and above workers) at 37.

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DOH Regional Director Paula Paz M. Sydiongco and Ilocos Norte Gov. Matthew Marcos Manotoc cut the ceremonial ribbon for the opening of the MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) facility installed at the Gov. Roque B. Ablan Sr. Memorial Hospital in Laoag City on February 2, 2023. The MRI machine was donated by the DOH regional office and funded through the General Appropriations Act of 2020. (Photo by DOH-ROI) Related story below

DOH turns-over MRI machine to Ilocos Norte prov'l hospital

Department of Health - Ilocos Region turned-over one magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) machine to Governor Roque B. Ablan Sr. Memorial Hospital, a provincial government-owned hospital in Laoag City, Ilocos Norte, to

upgrade its services and provide more accurate diagnostic tests to various medical conditions.

“Mas mapapabuti at mabibigyan ng tamang lunas ang mga maysakit sa tulong ng MRI machine dahil mas masusuri na silang

mabuti. The MRI has been proven valuable in diagnosing a broad range of conditions, including cancer, heart and vascular disease, and muscular and bone abnormalities and everyone can avail of its service at the provincial hospital,” Regional

Director Paula Paz M. Sydiongco stated.

“Under the Universal Health Care, ang mga health facilities ng gobyerno ay ating aayusin at bibigyan ng mga kinakailangang mga health equipment

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