

Republic of the Philippines Province of Laguna Municipality of Lumban



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE HON. SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF LUMBAN, LAGUNA HELD ON APRIL 13, 2020 AT ATTY. BENJAMIN E. AGARAO SR. MEMORIAL HALL AT EXACTLY 01:48 IN THE AFTERNOON.

PRESENT:

HON. BELEN B. RAGA Vice Mayor/ Presiding Officer SB Member HON. RHODA DM. RABIE HON. ROSE ANN R. AÑONUEVO SB Member HON. IRENEO R. BALDOVINO SB Member HON. GERONIMO P. SAMONTE JR. SB Member HON. SHERYLL TABLICO-GAURINO SB Member HON. EDGARDO B. GONZALES SB Member HON. ARIEL D. AÑONUEVO President-LNB HON. RENZO L. MATIENZO President-SKF **ABSENT:** HON. JOHN ALBERT RANA SB Member HON. ORLANDO R. DE LUNA SB Member

RESOLUTION NO. 35 S. 2020

A RESOLUTION ENACTING THE ANTI-DISCRIMINATION ORDINANCE OF LUMBAN, LAGUNA TO PROTECT PERSONS FOUND INFLICTED WITH CORONA VIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID 19), PERSONS UNDER MONITORING (PUMs) AND PERSONS UNDER INVESTIGATION (PUIs), INCLUDING FRONTLINE WORKERS TO PROTECT THEIR RIGHTS, INTEGRITY AND REPUTATION



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WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) per Resolution No. 11, Series of 2020, raised the COVID-19 threat to the highest alert level, Code Red Sublevel 2, due to the evidence of sustained community transmission of the disease. Concomitantly, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, approved the recommendation to declare a community quarantine in the National Capital Region (NCR) on March 15, 2020 and beginning March 17, 2020 the enhance community quarantine was imposed in the entire Luzon with the issuance of Presidential Proclamation No. 929, S 2020, declaring the State of Calamity throughout the Philippines;

WHEREAS, with the emergence and continued spread of COVID-19, public stigma formed against persons who have contracted the said disease and against the health workers taking care of them and others working on the frontlines;

WHEREAS, there are numerous cases and incidents from all over the country that patients with confirmed Corona Virus Disease 2019 or COVID-19, persons under monitoring and investigation and the frontline workers serving in medical facilities and local check-points had experienced acts of discrimination, harassment, violence or any action that causes stigma, shame, humiliation, disgrace or harm and impression of being labelled, stereotyped, separated and/or experienced loss of status and discrimination because of a potential negative affiliation with the disease;



WHEREAS, numerous confirmed COVID-19 patients, close contacts, PUMs, PUIs, health workers and frontliners were refused of assistance and denied service by public official, public employee, or essential service provider due to the fear of being transmitted by the said virus;

WHEREAS, the reports of discrimination against frontline workers, confirmed COVID-19 patients, close contacts, PUMs and PUIs, the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the Department of Health (DOH) are urging all local government units (LGUs) nationwide to pass and enforce anti-discrimination and anti-harassment ordinances to protect frontline workers fighting against COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to combat this stigmatization and protect frontline workers, COVID-19 infected persons, PUMs and PUIs, from all forms of discrimination, harassment and abuse;

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

WHEREAS, confirmed COVID-19 patients, PUMs, PUIs, health and frontline workers must be treated with profound understanding, compassion, respect, admiration and honour for they are facing battle that may cause their lives and the wellbeing of their own family;

NOW THEREFORE, subsequent to thorough deliberation on the matter and upon motion of **Honorable Ariel R. Añonuevo**, duly seconded by **Honorable Ireneo R. Baldovino** and with the concurrence of all members present it was,

RESOLVED, at it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to approve the Resolution enacting the antidiscrimination ordinance of Lumban, Laguna to protect persons found inflicted with Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID 19), Persons Under Monitoring (PUMs) and Persons Under Investigation (PUIs), including frontline workers to protect their rights, integrity and reputation;

RESOLVED FURTHER, to transmit copy of this resolution to the Office of the Municipal Mayor and other concerned offices for their information and appropriate action.

APPROVED this 13th day of April, 2020.

I HEREBY CERTIFY as to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

CORAZON B. PADUA SB Secretary

ATTESTED:

BELEN B. RAGA

Municipal Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

ROLANDO G UBATAY

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