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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL HELD IN THE CITY OF BACOLOD ON THE 11TH DAY OF MARCH 2025

### PRESENT:

Temporary Presiding Officer Hon. Valentino Miguel J. Alonso Hon. Araceli T. Somosa Member – 1<sup>st</sup> District Member - 1st District Hon. Rommel T. Debulgado Member - 2<sup>nd</sup> District Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr. Member - 3<sup>rd</sup> District Hon. Andrew Gerard L. Montelibano Member - 4th District Hon. Jose Benito A. Alonso Member - 5<sup>th</sup> District Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao Member - 6<sup>th</sup> District Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan Member - ABC Rep. Member - SK Rep. Hon. Mayvelyn L. Madrid

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Member - 3<sup>rd</sup> District

Member - 4<sup>th</sup> District

Member - 5<sup>th</sup> District

Member - PCL Rep.

**RESOLUTION NO. 0317** 

Series of 2025

RESOLUTION DECLARING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 439, SERIES OF 2024 OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MURCIA, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 'PADAYON BANWANG MURCIA' AS THE OFFICIAL HYMN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MURCIA, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, PRESCRIBING ITS MANDATORY SINGING DURING OFFICIAL AND FORMAL FUNCTIONS, ACTIVITIES, AND PROGRAMS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT OF MURCIA, AND PROVIDING PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF" AS A VALID ENACTMENT ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Section 56 of the Local Government Code of 1991 expresses the reviewing power of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan on Component City and Municipal Ordinances and Resolutions declaring the Ordinance or Resolution valid if it is consistent with the law or invalid in whole or in part if the Sangguniang Panlalawigan finds the Ordinance or Resolution to be beyond the power conferred upon the Sangguniang Panlungsod or Sangguniang Bayan concerned;

WHEREAS, Municipal Ordinance No. 439, Series of 2024 of the Municipality of Murcia, Negros Occidental entitled: "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 'PADAYON BANWANG MURCIA' AS THE OFFICIAL HYMN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MURCIA, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, PRESCRIBING ITS MANDATORY SINGING DURING OFFICIAL AND FORMAL FUNCTIONS, ACTIVITIES, AND PROGRAMS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT OF MURCIA, AND PROVIDING PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF" was submitted for review by the Municipality of Murcia to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Negros Occidental;





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**WHEREAS**, after prompt examination by the Provincial Legal Office, it is the recommendation of the said Office that the subject Ordinance is within the conferred power of the Sangguniang Pambayan of Murcia to enact, thus, the same may be given due course by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Murcia finds legal basis under Sections 16 and 18 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991. These provisions empower local government units (LGUs) to promote the general welfare and establish mechanisms for the effective implementation of development programs;

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of the Local Government Code (LGC) grants LGUs the authority to exercise powers essential for promoting general welfare, which includes the preservation and enrichment of culture. The adoption of an official municipal hymn falls within this mandate, as it fosters local identity, pride, and cultural heritage;

**WHEREAS**, Section 18 of the LFC further authorizes LGUs to establish mechanisms for implementing programs aligned with their development objectives. The ordinance's provisions regarding implementation, enforcement, and penalties are consistent with this authority;

**WHEREAS**, the ordinance formally designates *Padayon Banwang Murcia* as the official hymn of the Municipality of Murcia, requiring its singing during official and formal functions organized by the LGU. To ensure compliance, penalties are prescribed for violations of this mandate;

WHEREAS, for effective implementation, public awareness campaigns should be conducted to promote the hymn, particularly through educational and cultural initiatives. Designating the Murcia Tourism Office as the implementing body is appropriate, and establishing regular reporting mechanisms will help ensure proper enforcement and compliance;

**WHEREAS**, the ordinance also complies with Section 458(a)(1)(iii) of the Local Government Code, which governs the imposition of fines. Furthermore, the publication requirement under Section 59(c) of the LGC has been duly observed in the ordinance's provisions;

WHEREAS, the ordinance complies with the six (6) generally accepted principles for a valid ordinance, as adopted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Negros Occidental, which are:

- a. It must not contravene the Constitution or any statute.
- b. It must not be unfair or oppressive.
- c. It must not be partial or discriminatory.
- d. It must not prohibit but may regulate trade.
- e. It must be general and consistent with public policy.
- f. It must not be unreasonable.

WHEREAS, the reviewing authority of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan finds no irregularity that follow thereto as a result of the thorough scrutiny of the Provincial Legal Officer;



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WHEREAS, in view of the foregoing, the SP Committee on Laws recommends approval of the same;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr., unanimously seconded by all the members present;

THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN RESOLVED, as it hereby resolves, to declare Municipal Ordinance No. 439, Series of 2024 of the Municipality of Murcia, Negros Occidental entitled: "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 'PADAYON BANWANG MURCIA' AS THE OFFICIAL HYMN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MURCIA, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, PRESCRIBING ITS MANDATORY SINGING DURING OFFICIAL AND FORMAL FUNCTIONS, ACTIVITIES, AND PROGRAMS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT OF MURCIA, AND PROVIDING PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF" as a valid enacted Ordinance.

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

HON. VALENTING MIGUEL J. ALONSO

Temporary Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. MAKI ANGEL O. ASCALON

Provincial Secretary

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