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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL HELD IN THE
CITY OF BACOLOD, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL ON THE 22ND DAY OF APRIL 2025.**

Present:

Hon. Jeffrey P. Ferrer	Vice Governor / Presiding Officer
Hon. Rommel T. Debulgado	Member - 1 st District
Hon. Araceli T. Somosa	Member - 1 st District
Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr.	Member - 2 nd District
Hon. Samson C. Mirhan	Member - 2 nd District
Hon. Manuel Frederick O. Ko	Member - 3 rd District
Hon. Andrew Gerard L. Montelibano	Member - 3 rd District
Hon. Jose Benito A. Alonso	Member - 4 th District
Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola	Member - 6 th District
Hon. Valentino Miguel J. Alonso	Member - 6 th District
Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan	Member - ABC

On Official Business:

Hon. Andrew Martin Y. Torres	Member - 4 th District
Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao	Member - 5 th District
Hon. Anthony Dennis J. Occeño	Member - 5 th District
Hon. Julius Martin D. Asistio	Member - PCL
Hon. Mayvelyn L. Madrid	Member - SK

RESOLUTION NO. 0505

Series of 2025

**RESOLUTION DECLARING ORDINANCE NO. 25-04 OF THE CITY OF SAN
CARLOS, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE
PHILIPPINE GOOD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES (PhilGAP) AND THE
COMMERCIALIZATION OF GAPproved RICE IN THE CITY OF SAN CARLOS" AS
A VALID ENACTED 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, Ordinance No. 25-04 of the City of San Carlos, Negros Occidental entitled: "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PHILIPPINE GOOD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES (PhilGAP) AND THE COMMERCIALIZATION OF GAPproved RICE IN THE CITY OF SAN CARLOS" was submitted for review by the City of San Carlos to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Negros Occidental;

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 Panlungsod of San Carlos to enact, thus, the same may be given due course by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan;

WHEREAS, the Ordinance has been reviewed and found to conform to the prescribed legal form, including proper enactment, attestation, certification of posting, and submission in accordance with Section 56 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991;



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WHEREAS, the substance of the ordinance is grounded on the general welfare clause under Section 16 of R.A. No. 7160, which authorizes local government units (LGUs) to exercise powers essential to promote the general welfare of their constituents. Section 458(a)(1)(vi) of the same law empowers the Sangguniang Panlungsod to approve ordinances that protect the environment and maintain ecological balance and promote the general welfare. Additionally, Section 17(b)(2)(i) of R.A. No. 7160 provides that LGUs shall be responsible for extension and on-site research services and facilities related to agriculture, including seed farms, demonstration farms, quality control, and development of distribution channels, which directly supports the implementation of the PhilGAP framework;

WHEREAS, specifically, the ordinance aligns with the national laws and policies. It supports the objectives of Republic Act No. 10611, otherwise known as the Food Safety Act of 2013, which underscores the significance of Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) in ensuring food safety;

WHEREAS, the ordinance complements ongoing efforts by national agencies such as the Department of Agriculture, PhilRice, and ATI, thereby reinforcing its legal soundness and operational viability. There appears to be no conflict between the ordinance and existing national laws, administrative issuances, or constitutional 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:

1. *It must not contravene the Constitution or any statute.*
2. *It must not be unfair or oppressive.*
3. *It must not be partial or discriminatory.*
4. *It must not prohibit but may regulate trade.*
5. *It must be general and consistent with public policy.*
6. *It must not be unreasonable.*

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

WHEREAS, 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 Ordinance No. 25-04 of the City of San Carlos, Negros Occidental entitled: "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PHILIPPINE GOOD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES (PhilGAP) AND THE COMMERCIALIZATION OF GAPproved RICE IN THE CITY OF SAN CARLOS" as a valid enacted Ordinance.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

HON. VALENTINO MIGUEL J. ALONSO
Temporary Presiding Officer



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ATTESTED:


ATTY. MAKI ANGEL O. ASCALON
Provincial Secretary




Note: The Presiding Officer, Hon. Jeffrey P. Ferrer, relinquished the chair to the Temporary Presiding Officer, Hon. Valentino Miguel J. Alonso.