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***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 5th DAY OF AUGUST, 2025***

PRESENT:

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ORDINANCE NO. 013
Series of 2025

***AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE ABANSE BARANGAY PROGRAM AND
PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR***

BE IT ENACTED by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Negros Occidental in Regular Session duly assembled to enact this ordinance to wit:

Section 1. **TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as an ordinance Institutionalizing ABANSE Barangay Program.

Section 2. **PURPOSE.** This Ordinance aims to:

1. Promote a culture of good governance at the barangay level;
2. Institutionalize the use of performance assessment tools such as the SGLGB, SKFA and ABANSE Barangay Indicators;
3. Harmonize national and local evaluation tools for barangay governance;
4. Recognize and incentivize outstanding barangay performance;
5. Identify areas for improvement and inform planning and budgeting.

Section 3: **DEFINITION OF TERMS.** When used in the Ordinance, the following terms are defined as follows:

- A. **ABANSE Barangay Program** – stands for Accountable and Transparent; Business Friendly and Competitive; Aware and Disaster-Prepared; Nurture Peace and Order and Public Safety; Socially Protective; and Environmentally Managed and Sustainable Barangay (ABANSE Barangay).



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- B. **ABANSE Negrense seven-point Agenda** – a development agenda that means Agriculture and Food Security; Building of Infrastructure, Roads and Other Structures; Advancement of Economic, Trade, Investment and Employment Opportunities; Nurturing of Public Health by creating responsive hospital and other social services; Sustainable Environmental Management and Tourism Development; Education, Culture, Sports and ICT; and the Negrense brand of Good Governance and Human Development
- C. **Assessment Team** - a designated group of evaluators composed of DILG officers, LGU representatives, and other stakeholders tasked to conduct the validation, monitoring, and assessment of barangays for the SGLGB
- D. **Compliance Documents** - official records, reports, or certifications submitted by the barangay as proof of compliance with SGLGB criteria, including but not limited to Accomplishment Reports, Financial Statements, Disaster Risk Reduction Plans, and Public Safety Logs
- E. **Incentive Mechanism** - programs, recognition, awards or grants provided by the DILG, LGU or Provincial Government to barangays that achieve or exceed the standards set by the SGLGB framework
- F. **Innovations** - This may include PPAs initiated by the Barangay that transcends the usual work in the community that made a significant impact to their areas of jurisdiction
- G. **Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentives Award (LTIA)** - a program that intends to institutionalize a system of granting economic benefits and other incentives to Lupons which demonstrate exemplary performance as well as generate greater awareness among the various sectors of Philippine society on the Katarungang Pambarangay as a potent vehicle toward social ordering and human development
- H. **Performance Indicator** - specific measurable criteria used to evaluate the effectiveness, efficiency, and accountability of barangay programs, projects, and activities (PPAs) in relation to the governance areas
- I. **Sangguniang Kabataan Functionality Audit (SKFA)** - an assessment designed to ensure accountability and transparency in the operations of the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) are observed
- J. **Seal of Good Local Governance for Barangay (SGLGB)** - a progressive performance assessment and recognition system that aims to give distinction to barangays with remarkable performance across various governance areas
- K. **Search for the Outstanding Barangay Tanods** - an assessment institutionalized to further strengthen the Department's efforts in professionalizing Barangay Tanods on top of intensifying the disaster preparedness of barangays, strengthening the volunteer system and auxiliary network between and among public and private sectors, and providing a vehicle for the improvement of skills, knowledge and techniques in pursuit of the preservation of public safety among others

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Section 4. **COVERAGE.** This Ordinance shall cover all functional aspects of barangay governance including, but not limited to:

- Administrative governance
- Disaster risk reduction and management
- Public safety and order
- Youth development (SK functionality)
- Environmental management
- Social protection
- Local economic development

Section 5. **CREATION OF ABANSE BARANGAY PROGRAM PROVINCIAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT TEAM (ABPPAT).** There shall be an established ABANSE Barangay Provincial Performance Assessment Team composed of the following:

1. Chair - Liga ng mga Barangay (LnB) Provincial Chapter President
2. Co-Chair - DILG Provincial Director
3. Vice-Chair - Provincial Planning and Development Officer/Coordinator
4. Members - Panlalawigang Pederasyon ng Sangguniang Kabataan (PPSK) President
 - Provincial Accountant
 - Provincial Budget Officer
 - Provincial Treasurer
 - Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Management Officer
 - Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer
 - Provincial Economic, Development and Investment Promotions Officer
 - Provincial Environmental Management Officer
 - Provincial Director, Negros Occidental Provincial Police Office
 - Accredited Civil Society Organizations
 - Representative from the Academe

Section 6. **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.** The following shall be the roles and responsibilities of the ABANSE Barangay Program Provincial Performance Assessment Team (ABPPAT):

1. Validate the data of barangays based on the assessment of C/MAT;
2. Conduct a Table Assessment on the results;
3. Provide feedback and recommend needed interventions.

Section 7. **SECRETARIAT.** The Liga ng mga Barangay – Negros Occidental Chapter and DILG Negros Occidental shall serve as the secretariat of the ABANSE Barangay Program Provincial Performance Assessment Team (ABPPAT). As such, they shall have the following functions:

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1. Provide necessary administrative/technical support services to the ABANSE Barangay Provincial Performance Assessment Team (ABPPAT) such as but not limited to facilitation of ABANSE Barangay Assessment Scoresheet, facilitation of meeting and minutes-taking; logistical support;
2. Keep all records relevant to the ABANSE Barangay Program.

Section 8. **STRATEGIES OF IMPLEMENTATION.** This Ordinance shall conduct the following strategies of implementation:

1. Conduct of On-Site Validation
2. Table Discussion and Assessment of Results
3. Interview with Beneficiaries

Section 9. **INDICATORS AND TOOLS.** The assessment shall utilize the following tools:

- Seal of Good Local Governance for Barangay (SGLGB)
- Sangguniang Kabataan Functionality Audit
- Lupong Tagapamayapa Incentives Award
- Search for the Outstanding Barangay Tanods
- Reports and documentation of Innovations and Best Practices
- Customized ABANSE Barangay Indicators developed by the Province of Negros Occidental

Section 10. **ASSESSMENT PERIOD AND TIMELINE OF IMPLEMENTATION.**
The ABANSE Barangay assessment period shall cover the previous year's. Implementation will commence in April of each year.

Section 11. **MONITORING AND EVALUATION.** The outcome of the table assessment of the ABANSE Barangay Program results and the identified gaps shall be the basis for the interventions and/or support through varied approaches prescribed in the menu of Programs, Projects and Activities as well as Capacity Development Interventions (*See Annex G*), aimed at improving the quality of governance in the grassroots level and sustaining the ABANSE Barangay Program.

Section 12. **AWARDS AND INCENTIVES.** The following ABANSE Barangay Awards shall be conferred to LGUs in three categories:

- Component City Category
- 1st to 3rd Class Municipalities
- 4th to 6th Class Municipalities



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Awards per Category

- A. Major Awards (based on the criteria)
- Best Performing Barangay
 - 1st Runner-up
 - 2nd Runner-up
- B. Special Awards for Best practices
- ABANSE Barangay in Financial Administration and Sustainability
 - ABANSE Barangay in Disaster Preparedness
 - ABANSE Barangay in Safety, Peace and Order
 - ABANSE Barangay in Social Protection and Sensitivity
 - ABANSE Barangay in Business-Friendliness and Competitiveness
 - ABANSE Barangay in Environmental Management
 - ABANSE Barangay LTIA
 - ABANSE Barangay Outstanding Barangay Tanod (Individual)
 - ABANSE Barangay Outstanding Barangay Tanod (Group)
 - ABANSE Barangay in SK Functionality Award
 - ABANSE Barangay Best in Innovation/Best Practices

Incentives may be granted in the form of programs, projects, and/or activities aligned with the prescribed indicators, subject to the availability of funds.

Section 13. **SUPPLETORY GUIDELINES.** A suppletory guidelines and Program Design shall be provided in a separate document which will serve as reference in the implementation of ABANSE Barangay.

Section 14. **FUNDING REQUIREMENT.** The Provincial Government of Negros Occidental will allocate an initial fund of One Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php 100,000.00) for the effective implementation of the Abanse Barangay Program. This funding may increase depending on the availability of additional funds, in accordance with the standard accounting and auditing rules, regulations, and laws set forth by the Commission on Audit and other governing bodies.

Section 15. **RULE OF INTERPRETATION.** Any matter not explicitly addressed or properly stipulated in this ordinance shall be construed in favor of the Liga ng mga Barangay President of the Province of Negros Occidental.

Section 16. **REPEALING CLAUSE.** All ordinances rules, and regulations, or parts thereof whose provisions are in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended, and modified accordingly.

Section 17. **SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If for any reason, any section or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid by a competent authority, the other provision hereof not so affected shall continue to be in full force and effect.

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Section 18. **EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall be prospective in nature and shall take effect after the same has been approved by the Provincial Governor subject to compliance with the posting and/or publication requirements as provided for under the 1991 Local Government Code.

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


HON. JOSE BENITO A. ALONSO
Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


ATTY. MARI ANGEL O. ASCALON
Provincial Secretary

APPROVED:


HON. EUGENIO JOSE V. LACSON
Provincial Governor

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