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 PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL  
 Old Capitol Building, Bacolod City  
 Tel. No. 707-8075 (Admin) \* 435-7698 (Board Member) \* 709-0121 (Legislative Division)  
 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 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026**

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Jose Benito A. Alonso	Vice Governor/Presiding Officer
Hon. Araceli T. Somosa	Member - 1 <sup>st</sup> District
Hon. Laurence Marxlen J. de la Cruz	Member - 1 <sup>st</sup> District
Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr.	Member - 2 <sup>nd</sup> District
Hon. Arthur Christopher D. Marañon	Member - 2 <sup>nd</sup> District
Hon. Andrew Gerard L. Montelibano	Member - 3 <sup>rd</sup> District
Hon. Atty. Hope Marey B. Depasucat	Member - 3 <sup>rd</sup> District
Hon. Patricia Paula M. Alonso-Valderrama	Member - 4 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Nicholas M. Yulo	Member - 4 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Hadji P. Trojillo	Member - 5 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Genaro G. Alvarez IV	Member - 6 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan	Member - ABC Rep.
Hon. Mayvelyn L. Madrid	Member - SK Rep.

**ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:**

Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao	Member - 5 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola	Member - 6 <sup>th</sup> District

**ABSENT (ON-LEAVE):**

Hon. Julius Martin D. Asistio	Member - PCL Rep.
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**RESOLUTION NO. 0273  
 Series of 2026**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONSULTANCY AGREEMENT TO BE ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL AND DR. MA. ESTRELLA R. LEDESMA, MD/MBA RELATIVE TO THE ENGAGEMENT OF HER SERVICES AS UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE CONSULTANT FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2026 TO DECEMBER 31, 2026 WITH A MONTHLY FEE OF TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND PESOS (P25,000.00)**

**WHEREAS**, thereby presented to the Board for review and appropriate action is the request of the Governor for the approval and authority to sign the Consultancy Agreement to be entered into by and between the Province of Negros Occidental and Dr. Ma. Estrella R. Ledesma, MD/MBA relative to the engagement of her services as Universal Health Care Consultant for the period January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026 with a monthly fee of Twenty Five Thousand Pesos (P25,000.00);

**WHEREAS**, as Universal Health Care Consultant, Dr. Ledesma is required to assist Local Government Units (LGUs) and Barangays in the effective implementation of the Universal Health Care (UHC) Act, consistent with the national policies and local priorities;

**WHEREAS**, the subject agreement provides for a monthly consultancy fee of Twenty Five Thousand Pesos (P25,000.00) effective on January 1, 2026 and automatically terminated on December 31, 2026, unless extended by mutual written agreement;



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**WHEREAS**, the Consultancy Agreement is in order and conforms to the requirements on the law of contracts;

**WHEREAS**, in view of the foregoing, the SP Committee on Health deemed it best to approve the same;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Hon. Araceli T. Somosa, unanimously seconded by all the members present,

**THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN RESOLVED**, as it hereby resolves, to approve the Consultancy Agreement to be entered into by and between the Province of Negros Occidental and Dr. Ma. Estrella R. Ledesma, MD/MBA relative to the engagement of her services as Universal Health Care Consultant for the period January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026 with a monthly fee of Twenty Five Thousand Pesos (P25,000.00).

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, to grant authority to the Provincial Governor to sign, for and in behalf of the Province, the said Consultancy Agreement and the Provincial Treasurer to release the fund in accordance therewith.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.**

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

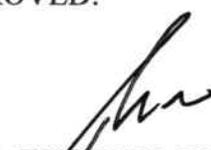
CERTIFIED CORRECT:

  
HON. JOSE BENITO A. ALONSO  
Vice Governor

ATTESTED:

  
ATTY. MAKI ANGEL O. ASCALON  
Provincial Secretary

APPROVED:

  
HON. EUGENIO JOSE V. LACSON  
Provincial Governor

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