

## Office of the Governor

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 55 -2019

REGULATING AND ALLOWING INTER MUNICIPAL AND INTER PROVINCIAL ENTRY OF PORK, PORK PRODUCTS AND PORK BY- PRODUCTS FROM REGION 2 ONLY THAT ARE COMPLIANT TO REGULATORY DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 1 SERIES OF 2019 BY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ON ANIMAL DISEASE CONTROL AND EMERGENCIES (RAC -ADCE)

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to promote a just and fair environment for trade and other economic activities, and provide effective mechanisms or measures to promote the well-being of its citizens, their livelihood, and the economy, in general;

WHEREAS, following the reported incidents of hog mortality in certain areas in the Philippines and cases of African Swine Flu in some Asian, European, and African countries, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 46-2019, declaring a total ban on the entry of swine and all fresh, frozen, and processed pork products in the Province of Isabela, and directing all local chief executives to implement measures in support of the ban, and the Isabela Provincial Police Office (IPPO) and the provincial task force to establish checkpoints in all ingresses and egresses in the province;

WHEREAS, the National and Regional Advisory Committees for Animal Diseases and Emergency (NAC- ADCE and RAC- ADCE) were created by virtue of House Bill no. 5052 " An act strengthening the Animal Industry and Veterinary Services in the Philippines", under Chapter IV, Section 14-15 of said act states that the NAC- ADCE shall coordinate the activities of the various RAC- ADCE and shall have similar function advising the Secretary of Agriculture and the respective Department of Agriculture Regional Directors;

WHEREAS, a resolution by the RAC-ADCE is seeking amendments to various African Swine Fever related Executive Orders issued by Local Chief Executives in Region 2 to allow inter municipal and inter provincial entry of pork, pork products and by- products produced within the region that are compliant to regulatory requirements such as the issuance and presentation of the Livestock Inspection Certificate issued by Livestock Inspectors, Veterinary Health Certificate issued by the Provincial Veterinarian, and handlers license issued by the Department of Agriculture;

WHEREAS, Section 465 of Republic Act 7160 which is known as the Local Government Code of 1991 empowers the Local Chief Executive to carry out measures for the faithful and appropriate enforcement and execution of laws and ordinances;

Now therefore, I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Governor of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue this order regulating and allowing inter municipal and inter provincial entry of pork, pork products and pork by- products from region 2 only that are compliant to regulatory documentary requirements pursuant to Resolution No. 1 series of 2019 by Department of Agriculture Regional Advisory Council on Animal Disease Control and Emergencies (RAC –ADCE).

**Further,** to allow the entry of pork, pork products and pork by- products in the province and movement of the same within its municipalities;

 For movement within the Province of Isabela only, presentation of the Livestock Inspection Certificate issued by Livestock Inspectors from the originating municipalities/cities will suffice.

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b. For inter provincial entry within Region 2, a Veterinary Health Certificate issued by the Provincial Veterinarian and handlers license issued by the Department of Agriculture Regional Office shall be shown to provincial quarantine/checkpoint authorities upon entry to the province;

**Furthermore**, all Local Chief Executives, IPPO and Task Force are directed to ensure the application of all laws, ordinances, and other issuances in the implementation of this Order.

All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

If any part or provision of this Executive Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected shall remain in force.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 13th day of November 2019 in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.

RODOLFO T. ALBANO III

Governor

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