

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16

ENJOINING ALL VENDORS AND FOOD STORES WITHIN THE PROVINCIAL CAPITOL COMPOUND AND ALL PGI OFFICES TO PRIORITIZE AND PREFER THE SALE OF CALAMANSI JUICE, VEGETABLE DISHES, AND OTHER HEALTHY FOOD AND BEVERAGES THAT BOOST THE IMMUNE SYSTEM OF PGI PERSONNEL AGAINST COVID-19 AND HELP PROMOTE AN OVERALL HEALTHY LIFESTYLE AND WORK ENVIRONMENT WITHIN THE PGI

WHEREAS, the full protection and promotion of every person's right to health and well-being is a state policy embodied in Article II, Section 11 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution;

WHEREAS, confirmation of local transmission of COVID-19 has prompted the President to issue Proclamation 922 on 08 March 2020, declaring a "State of Public Health Emergency" throughout the Philippines due to the outbreak;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health is currently intensifying its campaign for people to build a strong immune system as their first line of defense against COVID-19, even as it continues to implement nationwide programs to combat lifestyle-induced diseases such as Diabetes and Hypertension, the top two causes of Renal/Kidney Failure according to the National Kidney and Transplant Institute (NKTI);

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI) advocates a healthy lifestyle and work environment among its workforce, and Executive Orders and Memoranda are currently in effect to keep the Provincial Capitol Compound tobacco/smoke-free, engage personnel in "Hataw Na" workouts, and prohibiting the use of single-use plastic for food purchases;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 crisis warrants the intensification of all health and sanitation campaigns nationwide and the PGI recognizes the need to supplement its existing wellness drive with initiatives that will help curb the spread of the virus in the province, such as strengthening the campaign against sugar-rich, salty, and unhealthy food and beverage, and ensuring the availability of immunity-boosting citrus drinks and vegetable dishes for PGI personnel and all workers within the Provincial Capitol compound;

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 ENJOINING ALL VENDORS AND FOOD STORES WITHIN THE PROVINCIAL CAPITOL COMPOUND AND ALL PGI OFFICES TO PRIORITIZE AND PREFER THE SALE OF CALAMANSI JUICE, VEGETABLE DISHES, AND OTHER HEALTHY FOOD AND BEVERAGES THAT BOOST THE IMMUNE SYSTEM OF PGI PERSONNEL AGAINST COVID-19 AND HELP PROMOTE AN OVERALL HEALTHY LIFESTYLE AND WORK ENVIRONMENT WITHIN THE PGI.

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

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 12th day of March , 2020 in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.

RODOLFO T. ALBANO III

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