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Executive Assistant Raisa Treñas-Chu and her candidates for vice mayor and city councilors are joined by their supporters as they march towards Robinsons Mall to file their Certificates of Candidacy (COCs) on October 8. (RaisaTreñas FB)

'POLITICAL CIRCUS'

Baronda, Treñas-Chu sure winners, VM Ganzon faces strong opponent

BY MARY JOY CAVANAS

BOTH candidates for representative and mayor of Iloilo City re-electionist Julianne "Jam-jam" Baronda and Mayor Jerry Treñas' daughter Raisa Treñas-Chu, respectively, are apparently sure winners in next year's election.

This, as the camps of Baronda and Treñas reached a so-called "unity agreement for peace".

Treñas, who is supposed to run for his third and final term, deferred his re-election bid to give way to his daughter Raisa Treñas-Chu.

The vice mayoralty post, however, is not without a contest as the Baronda camp fielded former Councilor Julie Grace "Love-love" Baronda as its candidate for vice mayor against incumbent Jeffrey Ganzon.

Both camps filed their certificates of candidacy (COCs) in the afternoon of October 8, which is the last day of filing.

Prior to that, there were rumors that former Mayor Jed Patrick Mabilog would

run for mayor under the Baronda camp.

Joining the Team Gugma's proclamation rally at the University of San Agustin, Mabilog declared that he has sacrificed by not running for mayor so that there will be (political) peace in the city and in deference to Congresswoman Baronda.

He later apologized to all his supporters who expected that he would file his candidacy. "I prayed, I prayed hard... there's not just enough time. We will gather our forces and fight another day!" he said in a Facebook post.

Meanwhile, both camps fielded their candidates for city councilors.

The following are Team Usuwag's candidates: Miguel Treñas, Romel

Defensor a sure winner; Debuque-Tupas vie for vice gubernatorial post

BY MARY JOY CAVANAS

ILOILO Governor Arthur "Toto" Defensor Jr. is sure to finish his third and final term as he does not have a strong opponent in next year's election.

The vice governorship, however, will be a tough contest as there are two strong contenders – Gov. Defensor's runningmate Anilao Mayor Nathalie Ann Debuque and Fifth District Congressman Raul "Boboy" Tupas.

Defensor vouched for Debuque's qualifications

to become the next vice governor. She is "intelligent, competitive, and dynamic," he said, adding "you should know her for I am sure you will also like her."

For congressional representatives, in the first district incumbent Janette Garin will face former Tubungan Mayor Victor Tabaquirao for the second time.

In the second district, incumbent Congressman Michael Gorriceta gave way to his wife Dr. Kathryn Joyce Gorriceta who is unopposed.

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PRO-6: COC filing in W. Visayas generally peaceful

THE eight-day filing of Certificates of Candidacy (COCs) in Western Visayas that commenced on October 1 and culminated at 5:00 PM of October 8, 2024 was generally peaceful.

"Walapotayongna record nainsidentena related sa filing ng Certificates of Candidacy," said Brigadier General Jack L Wanky, PRO-6 Director.

"Our main objective was attained because of the close coordination and collaboration between the Commission on Elections (COMELEC), Philippine National Police and other stakeholders, and of course the adherence of all candidates and their supporters to the COMELEC's rules and regulations."

"Nag papasalamat po tayo sa ating mga unit commanders, the Provincial and City Directors, the Chiefs of Police and to all our personnel for the commitment and dedication they exemplified during this eight-day deployment," he added.

During the eight-day filing of COCs the Police Regional Office 6 deployed approximately 3,200 police personnel nationwide. (PRO-6)



Former Mayor Jed Patrick Mabilog joins re-electionist Congresswoman Julianne "Jam-jam" Baronda and her candidates for Vice Mayor and City Councilors during their proclamation rally at the University of San Agustin gym on October 8. (Jam Baronda FB)

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Blessing and turnover of Guimaras mobile clinic

GOVERNOR JC Rahman A. Nava and Congresswoman Ma. Lucille L. Nava led the blessing and turnover ceremony of Guimaras Mobile Clinic on October 4, 2024 at the Congressional Hall, Capitol Grounds, San Miguel, Jordan, Guimaras.

Rev. Florentino S. Lim from Consoler's of the Immaculate Heart of Mary conducted the blessing of the mobile clinic before it was turned over to the Provincial Health Office (PHO) headed by Provincial Health Officer II Dr. NL Cathrel Nava.

The mobile clinic which was given to the Province of Guimaras through the "clinic on wheels" program of First Lady Liza Araneta-Marcos, was handed by Governor Nava to PHO to augment in the delivery of basic health services to the Guimarasnons.

Dr. NL Cathrel Nava said that the mobile clinic is one way of bringing quality health services closer to the people and in realizing the PHO's vision of having empowered, productive, resilient Guimarasnons enjoying quality health as a way of life.

The said mobile clinic has X-ray machine, ECG, ultrasound machine among others.

Dr. NL Cathrel Nava also hopes that the mobile clinic will aid the Provincial Government of Guimaras to attain its goal for a TB-free Guimaras.

Provincial Department of Health Office Development Management Officer V Nilda Baingan and Dr. Catalino Gallego Nava Provincial Hospital (DCGNPH) Chief of Hospital Dr. Allain Babao were also in attendance during the event.



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7,000 beneficiaries get at DOLE-TUPAD assistance

BY MARY JOY CAVANAS

The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE)-6 held its "Tulong Pang hanap buhay sa Atang Disadvantaged / Displaced Workers" (TUPAD) Program at Iloilo Sports Complex in La Paz, Iloilo City on October 4.

The said payout consisted of 7,000 beneficiaries coming from different barangays and districts in the city of Iloilo.

The beneficiaries have received Php 4,800 each after their ten days of work such as cleaning within their respective communities.

The event was spearheaded by Us wag

Ilonggo Partylist Representative Cong. James "Jojo" Ang Jr. along with Iloilo Governor Arthur "Toto" Defensor Jr. who is also the regional chairperson of the said partylist.

It was also attended by local officials from the city government such as Vice Mayor Jeffrey Ganzon, Executive Assistant Raisa Treñas-Chu, and the members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod (SP).

The DOLE-TUPAD Program is an initiative by the government which aims to give assistance and support to underemployed, self-employed, and displaced marginalized workers.

W. Visayas begins ASF recovery program

Western Visayas is now on the road to recovery from the impact of the African swine fever (ASF), with the Department of Agriculture kicking off its sentinelling program in the region.

Iloilo Provincial Veterinarian IV Wendy Degillo said Tuesday that the swine dispersal started in five barangays in the municipality of Oton on Oct. 4.

"Actually, in the whole Western Visayas, Oton is the first. They have 225 farmer-beneficiaries, but the delivery of piglets is by batch. Last Friday, they distributed 73 piglets for five barangays," she said

in an interview.

The recipients came from Barangays Mambog, Bitas Sur, Bitas Norte, Caboloan Norte, and Caboloan Sur.

Each farmer is entitled to three piglets, but only one was released on Friday.

The initial piglets will be tested and if found negative, that is the only time that the recipients could get their additional two piglets.

Before the dispersal, there was a thorough disinfection of their pigpens, and an environmental swabbing was conducted to ensure the place was free from the virus.

Degillo said the piglets were also tested to ensure they were negative for the virus.

"All recipients are practicing biosecurity level 1. They have been oriented about it; it's now up to them how they put it into practice," she said.

Degillo said a weekly monitoring will be conducted by the barangay officials and trained barangay biosecurity officers.

At present, 17 of the 28 local government units affected by ASF in Iloilo have progressed from red (infected zone) to pink or buffer zone.

These are Oton, San Miguel, Santa Barbara,

New Lucena, Leganes, Dumangas, Ajuy, Batad, Concepcion, Barotac Viejo, Mina, Banate, Lambunao, Dingle, Janiway, San Enrique, and Zarraga.

They also encouraged the 11 others to comply with documents to progress to the pink zone.

In the meantime, data from the National ASF Prevention and Control Program showed that 44 of the 76 LGUs hit by ASF have progressed to pink from red.

Further, two LGUs from the region upgraded from pink to yellow.

Those in the pink zone can already start the sentinelling. (PNA)

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Duron, Johnny Young, Alan Zaldivar, Rex Sarabia, Frances Grace Parcon-Torres, Rudolph Jeffrey Ganzon, and Sedfrey Cabaluna; neophytes Sheila Olid and Nene Dela Llana; and the come-backing former councilors Lyndon Acap and Mandrie Malabor.

On the other hand, Team Gugma's candidates are composed of the following: Pastor Stanley "Big Bro"

Flores, Dr. Evony "Doc Von" Deveza, Peter Emil Oñate II, Atty. Keshia Pesina-Tupas, Gene Manuel "GM" Ariete Ramos, Mor Espinosa, Bryant "Nene" Zulueta, Salvador "Jun" Capulot, Jr., former City Councilor Atty. R. Leone "Boots" Gerochi, and Sheen Marie Mabilog.

After the COC filing, both camps released a joint statement of agreement

signed by Baronda and Chu to solve misunderstandings, and conflicts in the said parties.

The said agreement aims to foster unity in the city of love, focusing to its progress and prosperity by working together.

The Iloilo City COMELEC reported that a total of 30 candidates who have filed their COCs for the City Councilor position.

P3-M Worth of Suspected 'Shabu', Firearm Seized from High Value Drug Peddler

ILOILO City – Elements of Iloilo City Police Station 10 anti-illegal drug operation seized approximately 450 grams of suspected 'shabu' valued at PHP3,060,000 and a caliber.38 revolver with three ammunition from a high value individual at Barangay Bakhaw, Mandurriao, Iloilo City

around 7:55 in the morning, October 9, 2024.

The suspect was alias Naldo, 34, and resident of Barangay Bolilao, Mandurriao, Iloilo City.

Police Regional Office-6 Director, Brigadier General Jack L Wanky, lauded the operatives for another successful operation against

illegal drugs.

"Ang matagumpay na operasyong ito ay nagpapakita ng dedikasyon ng ating mga kapulisan para sugpuin ang problema sa ilegal na droga. Sa ating pinaigting na kampanya laban dito kailangan natin ang patuloy natulong ng

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Third District Congressman Lorenz Defensor is also sure to finish his third term as he has no strong opponent.

In the Fourth District, incumbent Ferjanel Biron has a challenger in the person of his constant critic former police Major Charlie Sustento.

While in the Fifth District, Board Member Binky Montesclaros-Tupas is up against her brother-in-law former Congressman Niel "Jun-jun" Tupas III.

For District Board Members, the following have filed their Certificates of Candidacy:

First District:

1. Board Member Jo-Ann Germinanda - Lakas-CMD (Incumbent)
2. Rica Jane Garin - Lakas-CMD
3. Elston Saquian - Independent
4. Juan Miguel Flores - Independent

Second District:

1. Board Member Rolito Cajilig - Partido Federal ng Pilipinas (Incumbent)
2. Board Member June Mondejar - Partido Federal ng Pilipinas (Incumbent)

Third District:

1. Board Member Jason Gonzales - Liberal Party (Incumbent)
2. Mayor Mark Palabrica - Partido Federal ng Pilipinas
3. SB Member Eugenio Palu-ay - Lakas-CMD
4. Anthony Margarico - Lakas-CMD

Fourth District:

1. Former PLT. Col. Jonathan Pinuela - Reform PH Party
2. Board Member Rolando Distura - Nacionalista Party (Incumbent)
3. Atty. Dominic Paul Oso - Nacionalista Party
4. Antonio Parcon - Bunyog Party
5. Felicito Dolar, Jr. - Independent

Fifth District:

1. Former Board Member Nielito "Doc Darl" Tupas - Lakas-CMD
2. Former Vice Gov. Rolex Suplico - Us wag Ilonggo
3. Former Mayor Niel "Beng" Tupas III - Partido Federal ng Pilipinas
4. John Carlo Ong - Lakas-CMD

BIR-Iloilo nears P18.516-B collection target for 2024



TAX COLLECTION. BIR-Iloilo officer in charge Regional Director Emilia Combes (left) reports their revenue collection accomplishments at the Kapihan sa Bagong Pilipinas on Wednesday (Oct. 9, 2024). The regional revenue office has already collected PHP13.33 billion as of September, out of the over PHP18.516 billion target collection for 2024. (PNA screengrab from Kapihan sa Bagong Pilipinas)

ILOILO CITY – The Bureau of Internal Revenue Region 11 (Iloilo) has already collected PHP13.33 billion as of September, out of the over PHP18.516 billion collection goal for 2024.

During the Kapihan sa Bagong Pilipinas on Wednesday, BIR 11 reported that the collection from January to September this year is higher by PHP1.49 billion compared with the same period in 2023.

BIR Revenue II consisted of revenue district office (RDO) 71 based in Aklan,

RDO 72 in Roxas City, RDO 75 in Zarraga in Iloilo, RDO 73 covering Antique, and RDO 74 in Iloilo City.

“With these RDOs, we were able to deliver the very much-needed collection for Revenue Region 11-Iloilo. You are a witness to these various developments and the improvement that made Iloilo become another BGC (Bonifacio Global City) of the Visayas. It’s another investment capital, I believe, because we are collecting this PHP18 billion taxes wherein the internal revenue allotment goes back to

different local government units that we have,” BIR 11 officer in charge Regional Director Emilia Combes.

Combes said the collections were through voluntary compliance and enforcement activities they have initiated.

Collection Division chief Lea Lebrilla, meanwhile, said they constantly monitor their top withholding agents, run against tax evaders, and enforce the Oplan Kandado to ensure they achieve the target collection.

“For Region 11, speaking of delinquent accounts, we have collected a total of PHP17.7 million as of September 2024, and that includes different settlement modes. Last year, we collected PHP10.3 million, so we have an increase of PHP7.3 million or 17.46 percent,” she said.

District offices also continue to monitor their top taxpayers, she added.

Last year, BIR 11 collected PHP15.979 billion, an increase of PHP1.22 billion compared with the PHP14.75 collection in 2022. (PNA)

School-based immunization targets 27K learners in Antique

SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique—The school-based immunization (SBI) for the Measles-Rubella (MR), Tetanus Diphtheria (Td), and Human Papillomavirus (HPV) targets 27,281 learners in Antique.

“The school-based immunization resumed after the pandemic to provide the learners with protection from measles, pertussis, and other diseases,” said Department of Health (DOH) Antique provincial head Dr. Rommel Garganera during a press conference on Wednesday.

Antique Provincial Health Office National Immunization Program Coordinator Tesie Mae Bañes said the 27,281

learners are composed of 9,966 learners in Grade 1 and 11,358 learners in Grade 7 targeted for MR and TD, and 5,957 female learners in Grade 4 for the HPV.

“We were not able to have school-based immunization since 2019 because the learners did not have face-to-face classes,” she said.

She added they will have another month-long backup or immunization in November to reach out to those who were not vaccinated in schools.

Teams from Rural Health Units will reach out to the learners in schools in geographically isolated and disadvantaged areas (GIDAs).



KICKOFF. A learner at the Malandog Elementary School in San Jose de Buenavista, Antique, avails of the school-based immunization on Wednesday (Oct. 9, 2024). Antique Provincial Health Office National Immunization Program Coordinator Tesie Mae Bañes, in a press conference, said they target to immunize 27,281 learners during the month-long activity. (PNA photo by Annabel Consuelo J. Petinglay)

The monthlong SBI kicked off Wednesday at the Malandog Elementary School in San Jose de Buenavista town.

PHO Medical Specialist II Dr. Cara Uy urged parents to provide their consent forms so their children could be immunized.

“We urge parents to support the school-based immunization for the sake of their children,” Uy said. (PNA)

PRO-6: Eight - Day of COCs Filing in Western Visayas Generally Peaceful

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Western Visayas Cops' intensified campaign against loose firearms

ILOILO City – The Police Regional Office 6 (PRO-6) stepped up effort against loose firearms resulted in the arrest of two suspects and recovery of assorted firearms during implementation

of search warrants on October 9, 2024.

The first operation was around 4:53 in the morning, October 9, 2024 at Barangay Igsoligue, Miagao, Iloilo against alias Anton, 35, single, farmer and resident

of the said barangay.

Recovered during the implementation were one-unit caliber .22 revolver and one-unit caliber .22 rifle.

The operation was carried out by the Miagao Municipal Police Station, Iloilo Police Provincial Office and supported by the 601st Mobile Company of the Regional Mobile Force Battalion 6.

At around 11:02 in the morning a separate operation was made at Barangay Poblacion, Iloilo against alias Nesio, 48 and married.

Recovered during the

operation were one unit caliber .45 pistol, one magazine and seven ammunition for caliber .45 pistol.

The operation was carried out by the Aklan Police Provincial Office, Intelligence Unit and supported by Iloilo Municipal Police Station.

“We commend the ongoing operations of our subordinate units against loose firearms and this effort will be intensified. Our campaign has two approaches; first, the ‘iron hand’ or through law

enforcement operations and second, is the ‘soft hand’ or the intensified encouragement of loose firearms holders to deposit or surrender their undocumented or expired firearms to the nearest police unit,” said Brigadier General Jack L Wanky.

For the month of September 2024, PRO-6 implemented 27 search warrants, confiscated 34 assorted firearms and two explosives, and made 20 arrests.

Additionally, in the same month a total of 289 assorted firearms and 36 explosives were surrendered and deposited to different police offices nationwide.###

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komunidad. Mas lakas tayo kung tayo’y nag tutulongan,” said Brigadier General Wanky.

The suspect is now under police custody and will be charged with violation of Republic Act (RA) 9165 or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002 and RA 10591 or the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act.###

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VCT boosts Iloilo port terminal services with new mobile harbor cranes

ILOILO CITY – The Visayas Container Terminal (VCT), the business unit of the International Container Terminal Services, Inc. (ICTSI) in Iloilo, on Wednesday put into operation its two new mobile harbor cranes (MHS), boosting this city as a competitive and efficient trade gateway for Western Visayas.

“These new cranes, the largest and most modern in Panay Island, represent our commitment to pursue a culture of efficiency and advancement. The flexibility offered by these MHCs will allow us to deliver an immense improvement in service to our clients,” ICTSI executive vice president Christian Gonzales said in his speech during the inaugural operation of the MHCs at the Iloilo Commercial Port Complex here on Wednesday.

Each MHC has a reach of 46 meters with a lifting capacity of 100 tons, boosting the ability of the VCT to handle the increasing volume of containerized, bulk, general, and cargo projects in the region, according to the VCT statement.

“The new technology is expected to streamline operations, leading to faster turnaround times for vessels and trucks, improved safety, and greater port efficiency,” it added.



OPERATIONAL. The Visayas Container Terminal (VCT) operationalizes its two new mobile harbor cranes (MHS) in a ceremony at the Iloilo Commercial Port Complex in Iloilo City on Wednesday (Oct. 9, 2024). The new cranes, the largest and most modern in Panay Island, are seen to enhance the Iloilo port as a competitive and efficient trade gateway for Western Visayas. (PNA photo by PGLena)

In an interview, outgoing VCT executive director Timothee Jeannin said they have made significant improvements in the terminal facilities and strategic civil works since the firm started operating in April this year.

The VCT has acquired new reach stackers, prime movers and empty container handlers, and expanded its bulk operations with additional bagging machines, clamshells and mobile equipment.

“We also secured the necessary mobile equipment to improve our operational capacities. It is one phase of VCT, which is already achieved and secured. We

already secured some specific clients,” Jeannin said.

To accommodate all vessels coming, Jeannin said, they decided to dredge berths 2, 3, and 4, which were not in their original plan.

A new international trade service from Vietnam to Iloilo will have its first call this late October.

Its current international services are from Tianjin, Yantai, Qingdao, Shanghai, Wenzhou, and Xiamen to Iloilo; and Singapore to Iloilo, connecting cargoes from the United States, European Union, and other global ports.

Acting Iloilo City Mayor

Jeffrey Ganson, in his message, said the arrival of the MHCs is more than just an addition to the port facilities, but also represents the future of the city’s economy.

“This port modernization that we are currently witnessing will create more investment opportunities across the region. With VCT’s increased operational efficiency, greater cargo handling capacity, and enhanced connectivity, this will allow our businesses to meet the rising demand of our thriving local economy and bolster our competitiveness in national and international trade,” he said. (PNA)



RECOVERING. Iloilo City Mayor Jerry Treñas says he is on the road to recovery in a statement released by his spokesperson Joy Fantilaga on Wednesday (Oct. 9, 2024). Treñas said he needs to take some time to recover before returning to work. (PNA file photo)

Treñas on path to full recovery after surgery

ILOILO CITY – Mayor Jerry Treñas on Wednesday assured residents that he is “doing well and on the path to a full recovery.”

“If it were up to me, I would already be back to work. However, following my doctor’s advice, I need to take some time to fully recover before returning to my duties as Mayor of Iloilo City,” Treñas said in a statement released to media by his spokesperson Joy Fantilaga.

Treñas underwent a bile duct operation while he was in Manila late last month.

In a previous interview, the mayor’s daughter Raisa

Treñas-Chu said her father decided to undergo a check-up while they were waiting for the convention of the National Unity Party.

A further test showed he had a block on his bile duct.

“It’s a normal procedure,” she said.

Vice Mayor Jeffrey Ganson and Councilor Sedfrey Cabaluna are currently serving as acting mayor and vice mayor, respectively.

“Rest assured, I will be back very soon, ready to continue serving the people of our beloved city,” Treñas added. (PNA)

EIM trainer honored with top TESDA Tagsanay Award

An Electrical Installation and Maintenance (EIM) trainer of the Provincial Training Center – Calumpit in Bulacan emerged as the Overall Winner of the 2024 National Tagsanay Award, the highest honor for technical vocational trainers given by the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA).

Lawrence M. Ramos bested 16 other regional candidates and received the award during a ceremony at the Ylagan Hall of the National TVET Trainers Academy in Marikina City last October 8, 2024. Ramos also bagged the Best Trainer in Enhancing Training Package special award.

Analie M. Monserrat from the Quezon National Agricultural School took the first runner-up spot, while Violijim R. Arangote from the Surigao Del Norte College of Agriculture and Technology secured the second runner-up position

and was also one of the recipients of the Most Innovative and Creative special award.

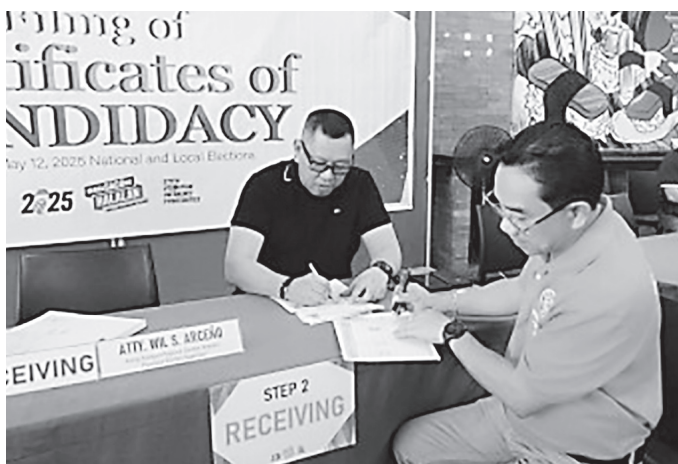
In his message, TESDA Director General, Secretary Jose Francisco “Kiko” B. Benitez congratulated the candidates and winners, and encouraged them to further inspire their colleagues, trainees and future workers.

“May you serve as mentors to other trainers and as models that embody quality in service, and cultivate among your trainees the growth mindset and the desire for lifelong learning and innovation,” said the TESDA Secretary.

“As TVET trainers, you transform the lives of our learners by guiding them through changing trends, and leading them to unlock their potential and elevate their competence,” added Secretary Benitez.

Winners of the special awards included Mercy A. Sacriz (of Datu

53 aspirants for provincial, congressional posts in Antique



ASPIRANT. Acting Assistant Regional Election Supervisor and concurrent Antique Provincial Election Supervisor IV Wil Arceño (left) assists Antique incumbent Vice Governor Edgar Denosta as he files his certificate of candidacy (COC) on Oct. 3, 2024. Arceño, in an interview Wednesday (Oct. 9, 2024), said 53 aspirants filed their COCs at the provincial office. (PNA photo by Annabel Consuelo J. Petinglay)

SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique – The Commission on Elections’ (Comelec) office in Antique received 53 certificates of candidacy (COCs) from aspirants eyeing various provincial and congressional posts for the 2025 midterm elections.

Acting Assistant Regional Election Supervisor and concurrent Antique Provincial Election Supervisor IV Wil Arceño said the COCs, filed from Oct. 1 to 8, consisted of four aspirants for the lone district representative, seven for governor, three for vice governor, and 39 for provincial board members.

“So far, the COC filing was generally peaceful,”

he said in an interview on Wednesday.

The COCs for municipal posts were received by their respective local election officers.

During the last day of the filing, an aspirant for municipal councilor in the municipality of Belison created a commotion after his COC was denied.

“The aspirant came after the deadline that the municipal election officer did not accept the COC,” Arceño said.

He added that incumbent Vice Governor Edgar Denosta, who originally filed his COC on Oct. 3, withdrew his COC on Oct. 8 and refiled for the same gubernatorial position on the same day after receiving his



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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Halawodnon-Bukidnon Indigenous Cultural Community (ICC) of Barangays Caratagan, Aglonok and Hilwan, all in the Municipality of Calinog, Province of Iloilo, Island of Panay, filed their petition for the issuance of a Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title (CADT) of their Ancestral Domain before the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) Regional Office VI & VII on 2016.

The ancestral domain claim was delineated and surveyed through the principle of self-delineation pursuant to pertinent provisions of the Indigenous Peoples' Rights Act of 1997 (IPRA), its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) and other related issuances of the NCIP, the said Ancestral Domain has been delineated/surveyed.

The public is hereby notified that a CADT shall be issued over the following Ancestral Domain of said communities, specifically described as follows:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION
Lot 1, ADs-0604-0011-Gni
HALAWODNON-BUKIDNON ICC/IP

An Ancestral Domain situated in Barangays Caratagan, Aglonok and Hilwan, Municipality of Calinog, Province of Iloilo, Island of Panay.

Bounded. on the Northeast, along line 1 to 2 by portion of Barangay Marandig, Calinog, Iloilo, along lines 2-3-4 by CADT No. R06-CAL-1222-259 of Halawodnon-Bukidnon ICC located in Barangays of Supanga, Guinbonyugan, and Cahigon, Calinog, Iloilo and portion of Igkhalayo Mountain Range; on the east and southeast, along lines 4-5-6-7 by Barangay Manaripay, Calinog, Iloilo; on the south, along line 7-8 by CADC No. 165 of Bukidnon ICC/IP located in Brgy. Cabatangan, Lambunao, Iloilo; on the southwest, along line 8-9 by AD of Iraynon Bukidnon ICCs/IPs, with survey number ADs-0602-0015-Gni, located in Brgy. Busog, Valderrama, Antique; on the west, in point 9 by Mount Baloy; on the northwest, along lines 9-10-11 by CADT No. R06-LIB-1115-192 of Akeanon-Bukidnon ICC located in Barangays of Oyang, Manika and Dalagsaan, Libacao, Aklan; on the northwest, along line 11-12 by Ancestral Domain claim of Panay Bukidnon ICCs of Tapaz and Jamindan, Capiz and portion of Igabon Mountain Range; and on northwest, along lines 12-13-14-15 and 15 to 1 point of beginning by portion of Barangay Marandig, Calinog, Iloilo.

Beginning at a point marked "1" on the plan, being N. 75 deg. 36' W., 21,605.56 m. from ILO 30, "PRS 92" (NAMRIA), Poblacion, Calinog, Iloilo, thence.

N.	65	deg.	02'	E.,	312.89 m.	to point 2;
S.	68	deg.	30'	E.,	97.51 m.	to point 3;
S.	17	deg.	29'	E.,	448.58 m.	to point 4;
S.	58	deg.	25'	W.,	1379.56 m.	to point 5;
S.	0	deg.	24'	E.,	3125.32 m.	to point 6;
S.	26	deg.	32'	W.,	2365.59 m.	to point 7;
S.	68	deg.	59'	W.,	4305.39 m.	to point 8;
N.	42	deg.	54'	W.,	6793.50 m.	to point 9;
N.	44	deg.	17'	E.,	8199.45 m.	to point 10;
N.	22	deg.	27'	E.,	2811.01 m.	to point 11;
S.	67	deg.	32'	E.,	1664.79 m.	to point 12;
S.	13	deg.	01'	E.,	2806.37 m.	to point 13;
S.	47	deg.	16'	E.,	830.89 m.	to point 14;
S.	18	deg.	41'	E.,	1443.11 m.	to point 15;
S.	44	deg.	55'	E.,	429.75 m.	to the point of beginning.

Containing an area of **SEVEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY & 6460/10000 (7,660.6460) hectares** more or less. All corners referred to are indicated on the plan and marked on the ground as follows: Corner No. 15 is Cement Putty flush on the top of boulder centered with iron nail with inscription "ADBAM 2023 NCIP" (25x25x10cms) and the rest are "ADBAM" rectangular parallelepiped (25x25x100 cms). Bearing is "PRS 92", GRID. The said survey was executed by the following NCIP Geodetic and Civil Engineers: JOUIE P. CALCEÑA, PAUL IAN N. CATULIN and ARNEL E. GELVERO on January 23 to February 22, April 25 to May 20 and November 8-17, 2023.

Pursuant to Section 56, IPRA, "[property rights within the ancestral [domain] already existing upon the effectivity of this Act (November 22, 1997), shall be recognized and respected." Nevertheless, it is provided for in Section 54 of the same Act that "[the Ancestral Domains Office [of the NCIP] may, upon written request from the [Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples], review existing claims which have been fraudulently acquired by any person or community. Any claim found to be fraudulently acquired by and issued to, any person or community may be cancelled by the NCIP after due notice and hearing of all parties concerned."

Thus, any adverse claim or private proprietary interest on the said area or on any part thereof must be formally filed with the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) Region VI & VII, Benigno Aquino Avenue, Banker's Village, Dungon B, Jaro, Iloilo City within fifteen (15) days after this Publication.

(SGD.) HAZEL L. ACSE
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Bacolod City food crawl highlights local delicacies



BACOLOD'S FAVORITE. Bacolod City's famous chicken inasal will be highlighted during the food crawl as part of the celebration of the 45th MassKara Festival from Oct. 12 to 27, 2024. Visitors can avail of a food booklet that features a curated list of restaurants, street food vendors, and local delicacies. (PNA Bacolod file photo)

BACOLOD CITY – Foodies coming for the 45th MassKara Festival, set from Oct. 12 to 27, can explore this city through a food crawl event.

"It will highlight the city's rich gastronomic culture, making it a delicious opportunity to savor local delicacies," the Bacolod Yuhum Foundation (BYF), organizer of the MassKara Festival, said in a statement on Wednesday.

These include the famous chicken inasal (grilled chicken), cakes, piaya, and cansi (beef soup).

Visitors can avail of a food booklet that features

a curated list of restaurants, street food vendors, and local delicacies.

The booklet would be distributed in ports and the airport to offer travelers an easy guide to exploring the city's diverse culinary heritage, the BYF said.

On Oct. 15 to 17, the second MassKaNamit Culinary Showdown in the SMX Convention Center.

The event aims to draw hundreds of participants from various culinary and hospitality management schools across Negros Island.

Renowned celebrity chefs will serve as judges

and bring their expertise and flair to the competition.

Food Committee chairperson Ana Tison said 19 schools have confirmed their participation.

The guest chefs will share their "experiences and some trade secrets" during the seminar on Oct. 15 and throughout the competition, she added.

From Oct. 23 to 27, foodies can also experience a variety of dishes from some of the city's favorite restaurants and food stalls during a five-day culinary event hosted by the BYF at Megaworld's The Upper East. (PNA)

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Ibrahim Paglas Memorial College) who bagged the Viewer's Choice Award; while Leona S. Cayapan (Isabela School of Arts and Trades), Armel M. Duran (Leon Ganson Polytechnic College), Analyn J. Ellorin (Zamboanga Sibugay Polytechnic Institute), and Ronelyn A. Macalam (Kinoguitan National Agricultural School) were named Best in Data Gathering, Analysis, and

Synthesis.

Likewise, Artemio T. Abalos (Marcos-Industrial School), Analie M. Monserrat, Armel M. Duran, Analyn J. Ellorin, and Ronilo D. Juevesa Jr. (TESDA Training Center - General Santos City) also garnered the Most Innovative and Creative special award.

The National Tagsanay Award Champion brought home a cash prize of Php 25,000; the 1st Runner-

up, Php 20,000; the 2nd Runner-up, Php 15,000; and the Top Eight Trainers received Php 5,000.

Now in its 10th year, the 2024 Tagsanay Award was held with the theme "Pagpupugay sa Isang Dekadang Selebrasyon para sa mga Tagapagsanay na may Lingap at Maaasahang Tagumpay", and as part of TESDA's celebration of National Teachers' Month.

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new certificate of nomination and acceptance.

Denosta is running under the Nacionalista Party, which has allied with the National People's Coalition (NPC).

Those who filed their COCs for representative are reelectionist Antonio Agapito Legarda of the NPC, incumbent Governor Rhodora J. Cadio of the National Unity Party, Christopher Abiog of the Partido Para sa Demokratikong Reporma, and Remigio Petinglay as independent candidate.

Eyeing the gubernatorial seat are Denosta and Paolo Everardo Javier of Aksyon Demokratiko on Oct. 4. Independent aspirants are Jonathan Tan and Rodelo Pidoy, Rudy Bantolo, Vicente Fedelicio, and Gaspar Gayona.

Those who filed their COCs for vice governor are Mayella Mae Plameras-Ladislao under NPC, Genevive Lim-Reyes under the National Unity Party (NUP), and Edward James Dy Buco under the PDP Laban. (PNA)





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Military modernization

Editorial

How serious is the Philippine government in modernizing its military?

Very much so, it would appear, amid rising tension between the Philippines and China in the West Philippine Sea.

As a matter of fact, the government recently organized an exhibition where global defense contractors—a total of 291 firms—put their advanced military technology and weapons systems on display. This is part of the Philippine effort to proceed with a multi-billion-dollar program to modernize our military.

That the Philippines is an emerging market for the defense industry is clear. The International Development and Security Cooperation think-tank believes so: “Our strategic issues with China have caught the attention of defense firms, and the exhibit demonstrates support from like-minded nations, many of whom are our partners and allies.”

The government has allocated \$35 billion, spread over the next decade, as it faces increased aggressive actions by Beijing on sea and air over contested areas

in the vital sealane.

Buying advanced military hardware and technology will complement the Marcos administration’s stepped-up security partnerships with other friendly countries, such as Japan and Australia, to boost the country’s capability to defend its territorial and maritime claims in the South China Sea.

We have the 1951 Mutual Defense Treaty with the United States where we vowed to come to each other’s defense in case of an armed attack by a third country. While the US government has time and again said that its commitment to help defend the Philippines is “ironclad,” we must also build up a credible deterrence posture on our own.

The goal of military modernization is to develop a credible defense posture at this time. We need to acquire advanced assets such as fighter jets, submarines and missile systems to protect our territorial integrity.

While long-standing military ties ensure the United States is a key supplier, the Philippines has broadened defense procurement to nations such as India, Israel, Poland, South Korea, and Turkey. The

recent exhibition featured new companies, with other participating nations, including Britain, France and Japan.

A significant development along this line is that in 2022, the Philippines purchased a \$375-million BrahMos anti-ship missile system, and the firm is now offering a ship-mounted version.

State-run Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI), which had earlier supplied advanced surveillance capabilities, including electro-optic systems, is also ready to provide reconnaissance aircraft and coastal radar equipment.

The Philippines is also evaluating offers for 40 multirole fighter aircraft. Sweden’s Saab, which builds Gripen jets, is widely considered a contender. The company has vowed to deliver effective and cost-efficient air power to the Philippines.

Modernizing our forces will take time due to the resources needed. But we must explore all possibilities and engage with reliable defense enterprises and select the best systems for our specific needs. (manilastandard.net)

Honoring the legacy of Filipino seniors

The Philippines welcomed October with the celebration of the Elderly Filipino Week with the theme “Senior Citizens- Building the Nation, Inspiring Generations”.

The weeklong tribute to senior citizens from Oct. 1 to 7, saw various promos and gimmicks for the Filipino elderly including free medical services and discounts from different stores. While all of these are much welcome benefits, I cannot help but think of the need to improve the social services and programs for senior citizens.

Thankfully, elderly Filipinos have a strong advocate for their cause in government through Senior Citizen Party-list Rep. Rodolfo “Ompong” Ordanes.

In a recent statement to mark Elderly Filipino Week, Ordanes said: “It is only fitting that we recognize, celebrate, and honor every senior citizen for being the pillars of our communities and society.”

Ordanes, 71, stands out among the many lawmakers in our country as a committed advocate for the improved welfare of the Filipino elderly. As a senior citizen myself, I highly appreciate his legislative efforts to improve the array of benefits and services available to the elderly in the Philippines, especially for the indigent.

A longtime fighter for the welfare of senior citizens, Ordanes is the one we should thank for

the establishment of the National Commission of Senior Citizens—which provided the elderly with a formal platform dedicated to addressing their unique needs, concerns, and challenges. The body also helps ensure that the voices of senior citizens are heard in national discussions on various social issues.

Ordanes also led the push for the increase in the monthly pension of poor senior citizens. From the PHP500 monthly stipend, Ordanes strongly advocated to double the amount to PHP1,000 per month. This benefits over 4 million senior citizens who are ineligible to receive stipends from either the Government Service Insurance System or the Social Security System.

More than the amount, the increase represents Ordanes’ recognition of the economic plight of many indigent senior citizens—a sizable portion of our population who I believe can continue to contribute to national development and social progress if properly supported.

Pushing his advocacy further, Ordanes lobbied to expand the coverage of the pension to all Filipinos aged 60 and up. The measure has gained the approval of the House of Representatives and once implemented, is estimated to benefit over 10 million Filipino senior citizens.

The move is a testament to his belief in equal support for all senior citizens, regardless of their

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BY JOE ZALDARRIAGA

economic background.

More recently, Ordanes was instrumental in the passage of Republic Act No. 11982, which provides monetary incentives to octogenarians and nonagenarians and not just to senior citizens who reach the age of 100. Under this law, senior citizens are entitled to a PHP10,000 cash incentive upon reaching the ages of 80, 85, 90, and 95.

To further protect the Filipino elderly, Ordanes is pushing for the passage of the Senior Citizens Protection Against Fraud Act to address the growing concern on financial scams and exploitation that often target older Filipinos. The veteran legislator is also advocating to expand and increase the discounts provided to senior citizens and persons with disabilities for basic goods and services.

All these measures are worth lauding as these set the benchmark for legislative work that is focused on enhancing the lives of Filipino senior citizens.

What many don’t realize is that the improvements that Ordanes advocates do not only benefit the current crop of senior citizens. Rather, these lay the foundation for better social programs and services for the Filipino elderly in the years to come.

World Teachers' Day: Honoring the pillars of education

Nelson Mandela once said, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." These words, spoken by one of the most respected leaders in history, still resonate today. However, it is essential to remember that behind every successful education system are teachers, the driving force who dedicate their lives to educating each new generation. As President Bongbong Marcos rightly described them, teachers are the "very foundation of our educational system."

Their importance is such that every year on Oct. 5, we celebrate World Teachers' Day. This day provides an opportunity to recognize the perseverance and dedication of teachers in upholding their profession and continuing to educate the youth. Every Filipino owes a debt to their teachers, who have instilled in them the basic skills of reading, writing, arithmetic, and countless other lessons essential for personal and societal growth.

In celebration of World Teachers' Day in the Philippines, the Education Network (E-Net) Philippines held a forum in partnership with the National Press Club (NPC) to discuss the plight of teachers. Under the theme "No Teacher and Learner Left Behind! One Goal: Education for All!" E-Net underscored the necessity of inclusive educational reforms that guarantee equal growth and development opportunities for all teachers, irrespective of their sector.

E-Net's message echoed the critical role of civil society organizations (CSOs) in advocating reforms. CSOs provide the foundation for necessary societal changes, supporting the rights of various sectors, including educators. E-Net's call for a "new social contract" stresses the need for equitable and inclusive access to quality education. As Joelyn Soldevilla-Biag, E-Net's national coordinator, stated, "We cannot afford to leave anyone behind, be it a teacher, a learner, or a community." With over 847,000 public school teachers in the Philippines in 2023, the issue is significant — 93.3 percent of them are in positions that pay less than a livable wage, as reported by the Asian Labour Review.

World Teachers' Day holds profound significance. It not only commemorates the vital role of educators

but also sheds light on the challenges they face in their profession. It is an occasion to honor their hard work, dedication, and the impact they have worldwide. Teachers shape minds, foster creativity, and equip students with the skills they need to thrive. Their influence extends far beyond the classroom, affecting the personal growth of individuals and contributing to societal progress.

The day also serves as a reminder to support teachers by providing them with the resources, training, and respect they need to perform their roles effectively. The Philippine Magna Carta for Public School Teachers remains a vital document that protects teachers' rights. However, E-Net highlighted the need for further efforts to fully implement its provisions on working hours, health support, and promotion systems.

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) established World Teachers' Day in 1994 to commemorate the signing of the 1966 ILO/UNESCO Recommendation concerning the Status of Teachers. This document sets international benchmarks for teachers' rights and responsibilities, as well as standards for their preparation, recruitment, and working conditions. It emphasizes the need for societies to invest in teachers' professional development to ensure quality education.

This framework continues to guide global discussions about teachers' rights and working conditions. World Teachers' Day keeps these issues at the forefront, reminding governments, policymakers, and communities of their responsibility to improve education systems and support the educators who make them work.

Despite their importance, teachers around the world face many challenges. Low compensation, overwork and burnout, a lack of resources, and safety concerns are just a few examples. Professional development opportunities are also often lacking, particularly in underfunded school systems.

In the Philippines, for example, teachers face issues such as inadequate pay and insufficient support for their rights. Teachers also struggle to keep up with the demands of integrating new technologies into their teaching, particularly as

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By Brian James Lu

online education becomes more widespread. The challenges teachers face extend beyond national borders: The United Nations has estimated that by 2030, the world will need an additional 44 million primary and secondary teachers.

Despite the growing demand for teachers and the expanding responsibilities they carry, many educators remain underappreciated and undervalued. The shortage of teachers is a global crisis, but their work is more essential than ever.

In an increasingly interconnected, technology-driven world, the role of teachers has become more critical than ever. Beyond academics, we now expect teachers to cultivate well-rounded individuals capable of navigating the complexities of modern life. They serve as mentors, guiding students through personal challenges, fostering resilience, and encouraging critical thinking. As digital literacy becomes more important, teachers must integrate technology into their teaching methods, preparing students for a world where digital skills are key.

Teaching has always been considered a noble profession, and despite the numerous challenges it faces today, this remains true. Teachers continue to dedicate themselves to the growth of their students, often prioritizing their needs over their own. Their perseverance in the face of difficult conditions shows their deep commitment to both their students and to society.

World Teachers' Day is a reminder of the essential role teachers play in building a better future. While the challenges they face are many, their impact is undeniable. In an era of rapid change, teachers continue to be beacons of hope and opportunity. Their commitment, resilience, and passion affirm that teaching remains a noble profession—perhaps more so today than ever before.

As Michael Morpurgo beautifully put it, "It's the teacher that makes the difference, not the classroom."

Supporting teachers, addressing their challenges, and recognizing their contributions are crucial steps toward ensuring a brighter, more equitable future for all.

The political plan

"Before beginning, plan carefully." - Cicero

So, you have finally made up your mind and filed your certificate of candidacy. What's next? If you're a political aspirant and asking this question, then you have a problem. At this point in your political adventure, you should already have a political campaign plan.

This week, I had the opportunity to assist many aspirants file their certificates of candidacies in various Commission on Elections (Comelec) offices. While waiting in line, I got the chance to talk to many of the political aspirants and I was surprised that many of the aspirants I spoke to had only vague ideas of what their next steps would be in the coming months.

In any endeavor, a detailed plan is essential. Benjamin Franklin once said that "by failing to prepare you are preparing to fail".

What's in a political campaign plan? First, you need a detailed political landscape analysis. Voter demographics and concerns, topography, voting history, opponent analysis and a baseline survey are key pieces of information needed to properly start your

plan. More often than not, aspirants rely on "feelings" and top of mind analysis and ignore data.

Second, you need your field plan to guide your political operations group on the ground. A field guide contains the target number of command votes which your operations group will aspire to organize and indoctrinate. The field guide will also contain your target voters or the voters you wish to engage. It could be based on location or sector depending on which your survey analysis would indicate as your weak point. Lastly, your field guide must contain the manner in which you will engage the said voters. Voters can be engaged in many ways such as through curated small, medium or large meetings with specific goals.

Third, you need your communication plan. Your communication plan includes the basic marketing tools needed to reach your market voters. This would include you branding, message and narratives. Your communication plan must also include the media platforms which you will need to utilize to convey your messages such as tv, print or social media.

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By ATTY. GILBERTO LAUENCO, J.D.

Fourth is your logistics and financial plan. This would outline the things you will need to run both your air and ground campaign. Materials such as collaterals, offices, equipment and supplies are carefully indicated. The amount of funds needed to finance the entire campaign is also indicated here.

Once your political plan is done, you will need a competent political strategist and campaign manager to weave all of these elements and implement it on the ground and air. The professional political strategist is the key factor in all of these. In today's political environment, there is no more room for amateurs. Even with a good plan, an amateur will muck up any campaign.

This is my oblique observation.



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Office of the Sangguniang Bayan

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-455-A

**AN ORDINANCE ON SOURCE WATER PROTECTION
OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MINA**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Mina, Province of Iloilo, in session assembled that:

Section 1. Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Source Water Protection Ordinance of the Municipality of Mina".

Section 2. Purpose. This Ordinance identifies and establishes the source water of Mina Potable Water System. It set regulations to ensure the sustainability of adequate quality and quantity of drinking water supply for the municipal potable water system.

Section 3. Identification of Drinking Water Source Protection Area (DWSPA). - The portion of the Suague River from the intake pipe of municipal water treatment plant in Brgy. Mina East, extending 500 meters upstream, 100 meters downstream, and 30 meters landward from the edge of the riverbed, including all tributaries within that distance is hereby identified and delineated as the source water protection area of Mina Potable Water System.

Section 4. Establishment of Intake Protection Zones. (IPZ) - The following protection zones are hereby established within the water source protection area:

- 4.1. **Intake Protection Zone 1 (IPZ-1)** is the area closest to the intake pipe which extends 200 meters upstream, 100 meters downstream, and 30 meters into land from the edge of the river;
- 4.2. **Intake Protection Zone 2 (IPZ-2)** is the remaining area within the DWSPA;

Section 5. Illegal Discharge of Waste and Pollutant. Within the established DWSPA, no person shall discharge any domestic sewage, industrial waste, or pollutant not meeting the effluent standards set by the Department of Environmental and Natural Resources (DENR).

Section 6. Prohibited Use and Activities. The following activities and uses are prohibited:

6.1. Intake Protection Zone 1

- i. Unless pertains to operational activity of the water system or otherwise permitted, authorized, or in cases of emergencies, no person is allowed within the area;

6.2. Intake Protection Zone 1 & 2

- i. Littering, throwing, dumping of any waste matters, or causing or permitting the same;
- ii. Dumping of animal carcass/es;
- iii. Washing, cleaning, or any related activity that will cause or discharge harmful chemicals from cleaning agents. This includes agricultural, petroleum, fertilizer, and other similar products or chemicals that will contaminate and pollute the source of drinking water,
- iv. Construction or operation of landfills or any waste disposal facility;
- v. Underground storage tanks or containers for bulk petroleum or chemicals;

Section 7. Penal Clause. Any person who violates the provision of this Ordinance shall be punished with a fine of not less than Three Hundred Pesos (P300.00) but not more than Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,500.00) or imprisonment of not less than one (1) day to not more than Fifteen (15) days, upon the discretion of the Court.

Section 8. Compromise Agreement. Upon approval by the Office of the Mayor, a compromise agreement may be allowed by payment of a fine to the Municipal Treasurer's Office or render community service to the municipality for not less than one (1) day to not more than fifteen (15) days.

Section 9. Separability Clause. - If for reason or reasons, the provision or provisions of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional, other parts thereof which are not affected shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 10. Effectivity. - This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval and publication required by law.

ADOPTED this **21st day of March 2024**, on motion of **Hon. Benje S. Pelobello** duly seconded by **Hon. Ireneo D. Pecina**.

APPROVED.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the above-stated Ordinance.

(SGD.) MA. DAISY P. PARREÑO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

(SGD.) HON. JOHN MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR
Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

(SGD.) HON. LYDIA E. GRABATO
Municipal Mayor



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Office of the Sangguniang Bayan

ORDINANCE No. 2023 - 446

AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION FEE – P100.00 AND OCCUPANCY PERMIT EXEMPTION FEE – P100.00 FOR THE STRUCTURES MADE OF TRADITIONAL INDIGENOUS MATERIALS AS AMONG THE REQUIREMENTS IN THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS PERMIT

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Mina, Iloilo in session assembled that:

Section 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be called, "An Ordinance Imposing Building Permit Exemption Fee – P100.00 and Occupancy Permit Exemption Fee – P100.00 for the Structures made of Traditional Indigenous Materials as among the requirements in the issuance of business permit".

Section 2. Imposition of Fees. The following fees shall be collected from the applicants securing business permits:

1. Certificate of Building Permit Exemption Fee –P100.00

- a) Traditional indigenous structures with material cost of not more than P15,000.00.
- b) Other structures with an area of not more than 10sq. m. and/or material cost of not more than P50,000.00.

2. Certificate of Occupancy Permit Exemption Fee – P100.00

Section 4. Repealing Clause. In the event that a part of this Ordinance is inconsistent with the previous related Ordinance, the remaining parts not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Effectivity. This Ordinance shall take effect upon posting and publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ADOPTED this 27th day of July 2023, on motion of *Hon. Noel P. Espiritu* duly seconded by *Hon. Jose G. Salanio, Jr.*

APPROVED.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the above-stated Ordinance.

(SGD.) MA. DAISY P. PARREÑO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

(SGD.) JOHN MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR
Presiding Officer/Vice Mayor

APPROVED:

(SGD.) LYDIA E. GRABATO
Municipal Mayor

WHEREAS, one of the requirements of First time enrollees in college is to undergo clinical laboratory tests particularly urinalysis, stool examination, complete blood count and x-ray examination;

WHEREAS, 20% discount on these examinations shall be granted upon enrolment to ease the burden of financial difficulties of parents in sending their children to college;

WHEREAS, this privilege shall be given to concerned individuals only once upon enrolment and in the event the students returns back for another laboratory the second time, he or she then be charged in full as provided in the revised municipal revenue code of the municipality of Mina ;

NOW, THEREFORE:

Be it ordained by THE Sangguniang Bayan of Mina, Province of Iloilo in session assembled:

Section I - TITLE – This Ordinance shall be known as: "An Ordinance granting 20 % discount on First time enrollees;

Section II – OBJECTIVE – To ease the burden of financial difficulties of parents in the enrolment of their children

Section III- DEFINITION OF TERMS:

Clinical Laboratory – Facility where the laboratory analysis are performed

Hematology – the study of the physiology of the blood

Clinical Microscopy – Scientific analysis of non-blood body fluids such as urine and Stool

Section IV – DISCOUNTED RATES – This applies to the availment of the following laboratory Examinations:

- a.) Privilege of 20% discount on CBC, urinalysis, stool and X-ray examinations shall be granted upon enrolment to first time college enrollees.

Section V – PAYMENT PROCESS – The patient will pay at the Business One Stop Shop of the Municipality of Mina.

Section VII- SEPARABILITY CLAUSE – If for any reason, any part, section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions or parts thereof not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect;

Section IX – REPEALING CLAUSE – All other ordinances, rules or parts thereof which are Inconsistent with these ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly;

Section X- EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after its Approval.

ADOPTED this 27th day of July 2023, on motion of *Hon. Felne P. Novo* duly seconded by *Hon. Benje S. Pelobello.*

APPROVED.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the above-stated Ordinance.

(SGD.) MA. DAISY P. PARREÑO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

(SGD.) JOHN MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR
Presiding Officer/Vice Mayor

APPROVED:

(SGD.) LYDIA E. GRABATO
Municipal Mayor



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Iloilo

MUNICIPALITY OF MINA

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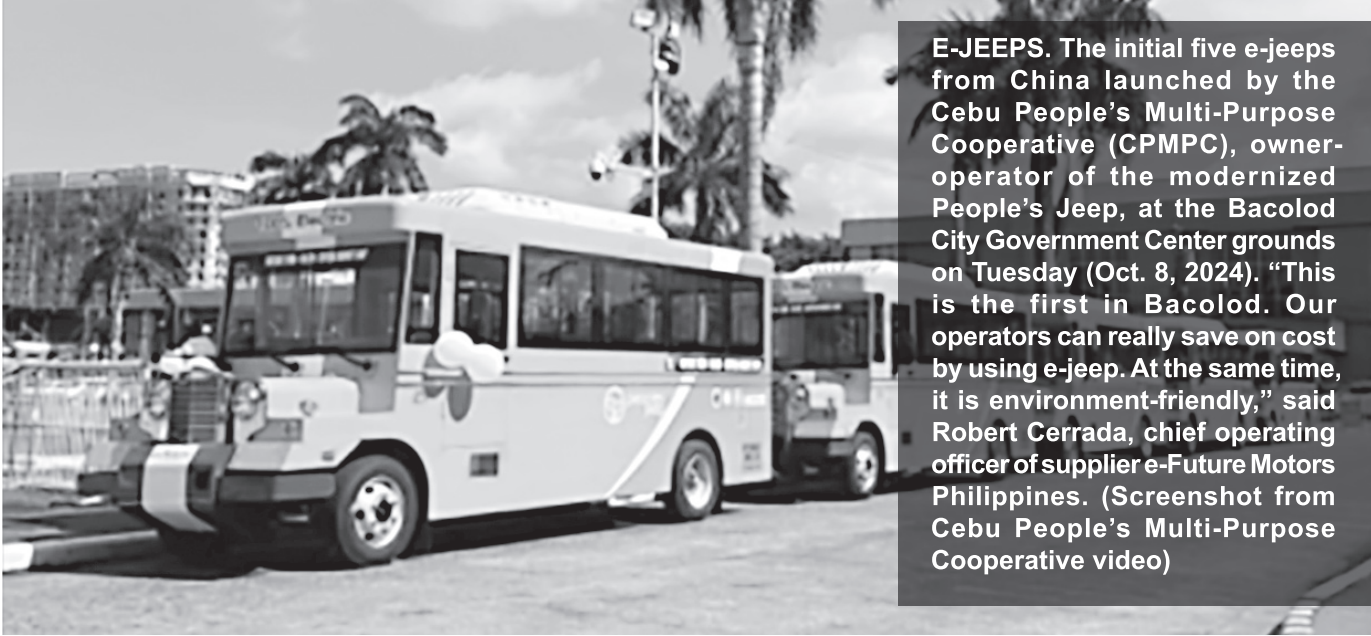
Office of the Sangguniang Bayan

ORDINANCE No. 2023 – 447

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TWENTY PERCENT (20%) DISCOUNT ON CLINICAL LABORATORY EXAMINATIONS PARTICULARLY URINALYSIS, FECALYSIS, COMPLETE BLOOD COUNT AND X-RAY UPON ENROLMENT TO FIRST TIME ENROLEES IN COLLEGE

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 mandates that every Local Government shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, and those which are essential to the promotion of the General Welfare;

Transport coop launches China-made e-jeeeps in Bacolod City



E-JEEPS. The initial five e-jeeeps from China launched by the Cebu People's Multi-Purpose Cooperative (CPMPC), owner-operator of the modernized People's Jeep, at the Bacolod City Government Center grounds on Tuesday (Oct. 8, 2024). "This is the first in Bacolod. Our operators can really save on cost by using e-jeep. At the same time, it is environment-friendly," said Robert Cerrada, chief operating officer of supplier e-Future Motors Philippines. (Screenshot from Cebu People's Multi-Purpose Cooperative video)

BACOLOD CITY – The Cebu People's Multi-Purpose Cooperative (CPMPC), owner-operator of the modernized People's Jeep, launched the initial five units of China-made electric (e)-jeeps that will operate in this city as part of the implementation of the Public Transport Modernization Program.

The e-jeeps, which will ply the Fortune Towne-Central Market loop, are supplied by Chinese-Korean electric vehicle company e-Future Motors Philippines (PH).

Robert Cerrada, chief operating officer of e-Future Motors PH, said Wednesday that the delivery of the e-jeeps is the result of the memorandum of agreement

signed by the company with the CPMPC last year.

"This is the first in Bacolod, the culmination of our almost a year of planning and coordination with the local government unit. Our operators can really save on cost by using e-jeep. At the same time, it is environment-friendly," Cerrada told the Philippine News Agency.

Bacolod-based e-Future Motors PH is a subsidiary of Jiangsu Fengchuen New Energy Power Technology Co. Ltd. Fengchuen, with its head office in Wuxi, Jiangsu province, and a factory in Jiangyin City, China.

Each unit, which costs about PHP2.4 million, is being supplied to the

CPMPC on a rent-to-own arrangement directly financed by e-Future Motors PH.

"For now, we provided them with slow chargers. Charging stations are also available at the Bacolod City Government Center and Ayala Malls Capitol Central," Cerrada said.

In a video message after the launch on Tuesday, Renalin Martem, managing partner of CPMPC Bacolod Satellite Office, said they have signed up for 10 units, and the remaining five are still coming from China.

"After this, it will take one to two weeks before the units can start operation since we still have to process the documents and permits

with the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB)," she said.

Martem said that aside from being environment-friendly, e-jeeps also require lower operating costs.

"Based on our experiment, we can have big savings on fuel for operations. It's really lower. We can save as much as 54 percent compared to using (diesel). This is the first in Bacolod and also in Negros Occidental," she added.

Macario Quevedo, CPMPC director for transport operation, said the 10 units are part of the 60 franchises awarded to them by the LTFRB to operate modern jeeps in Bacolod. (PNA)

Cebu Pacific Stirs Excitement for 2025 with Piso Sale

Cebu Pacific (PSE: CEB), the Philippines' leading carrier, brings back its signature Piso Sale, offering every Juan the opportunity to fulfill their bucket lists with affordable travel plans for the upcoming year.

From October 9 to 13, 2024, passengers may book flights to select domestic and international destinations for as low as PHP 1 one-way base fare, exclusive of fees and surcharges. The travel period is from June 1 to September 30, 2025.

Travel enthusiasts who missed out on the CEB Super Seat Fest in September now have another chance to avail themselves of value-for-money fares to their dream destinations.

Journey through the Underground River in Puerto Princesa, indulge in various tuna dishes in General Santos, or unwind on the pink sands of Great Santa Cruz

Island in Zamboanga. CEB passengers may fly directly to these destinations from Clark, Iloilo, or Davao.

As an added treat, CEB's new routes from Iloilo and Davao are also on sale. With CEB's enhanced connectivity and low fares made even more affordable, passengers from Iloilo can now easily travel to Tacloban, Zamboanga, and Singapore. Guests from Davao eager for international travel can now also enjoy direct flights to Hong Kong or Bangkok via Don Mueang.

To ensure a worry-free travel experience, passengers may purchase CEB's GO Flexi offering when booking their flights. For a small fee during the initial booking, GO Flexi allows passengers to cancel their flight up to two (2) hours before departure and receive the value of their booking as a non-expiring

Travel Fund.

Passengers may use their Travel Fund to book flights and buy other add-ons. CEB also offers other payment options, including credit or

debit cards and e-wallets.

CEB operates in 35 domestic and 26 international destinations spread across Asia, Australia, and the Middle East.

DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Spouses SALVADOR CASALMIR and JOVITA C. CASALMIR** consisting of the following: 1) **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-73860 – Lot No. 7800-C** situated in Brgy. Francisco Ceda, Calinog, Iloilo with an area of **Forty Four Thousand Two Hundred Seven (44,207) square meters, more or less;** 2) **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-37141 – Lot No. 24** situated in Cabatuan, Iloilo with an area of **Thirty Two Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Five (32,485) square meters, more or less;** 3) **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-85524 – Lot 1151-A** situated in Poblacion, Cabatuan, Iloilo with an area of **One Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty seven (1,837) square meters, more or less;** 4) **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-24820 – Lot 353** situated in Cabatuan, Iloilo with an area of **Eighteen Thousand One Hundred Seventy (18,170) square meters, more or less;** 5) **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-9397 – Lot 7800-I** situated in Brgy. Francisco Casa, Calinog, Iloilo with an area of **Eighty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-nine (89,799) square meters, more or less;** 6) **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-1219 – Lot 8138** situated in Calinog, Iloilo with an area of **12.0663 hectares;** 7) **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-13050 – Lot 6182-A** situated in Brgy. Valderrama, Calinog, Iloilo with an area of **Seventy One Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Six (71,486) square meters, more or less;** 8) **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-34132 – Lot 4438** situated in Barangays Maraguit and Lutac, Cabatuan, Iloilo with an area of **Twenty Two Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Two (22,492) square meters, more or less;** 9) **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-51430 – Lot 4206** situated in Brgy. Quipot, Janiuary, Iloilo with an area of **Three Hundred Thirty One Thousand One Hundred and Seven (331,107) square meters, more or less;** 10) **Shares of stock of the Rural Bank of Cabatuan Inc., Cabatuan, Iloilo, and a Farm Tractor** are adjudicated to heirs **EDUARDO C. CASALMIR, CANDELARIA M. CASALMIR**, represented by her Atty-in-Fact, **Cynthia M. Casalmir, RONNIE M. CASALMIR**, represented by his Atty-in-Fact, **Cynthia M. Casalmir** and **CYNTHIA M. CASALMIR**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. HONORATO P. SAYNO, JR.** per Doc. No. 187, Page No. 39, Book No. XXX, Series of 2006.

NE/October 14, 21 & 28, 2024

DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL ADJUDICATION OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **MARIA ELENA B. GULMATICO** consisting of a parcel of land known as **Lot 10 Block 74, PCS-06-004017** situated in Brgy. Hibao-an, Mandurriao, Iloilo City covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2021000319** with an area of **SEVENTY TWO (72) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS** is adjudicated to heirs **PEPITO R. GULMATICO, JR. and JOHN PHET B. GULMATICO**. That, the heirs/ adjudicatees hereby **SELL, TRANSFER, CONVEY and DELIVER** by way of **Absolute Sale** the above-said parcel of land in favor of **CONNIE ROSE O. ZOLTU**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. ROEL B. DAPITON, CPA** per Doc. No. 220, Page No. 45, Book No. XXVII, series of 2023 and Doc. No. 221, Page No. 46, Book No. XXVII, Series of 2023.

NE/October 14, 21 & 28, 2024

DEED OF ADJUDICATION AND SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Spouses MARIA CAÑONERO AMIANA and THOMAS AMIANA** and **Spouses ESPERIDION CAÑONERO and MARIA GARILLOS** consisting of a parcel of land known as **Lot No. 1172** of the cadastral survey of Alimodian, Cadastral Case No. N-23, LRC Cadastral Record No. N-3679, situated at Brgy. Bancal, Alimodian, Iloilo covered by **Original Certificate of Title No. O-4429** with an area of **EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY THREE (8,833) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **Ricardo Cañonero, Melanie Cañonero Villafuerte, Irene Sarsale Sanoy, Elna Anzures Amiana, Fatima Gift Anzures Amiana, Andiolyng Alingasa Amiana, John Thomas A. Amiana III, Christopher A. Amiana, Christine Lyn Amiana Velez, Sherwin Cañonero, and Randy Cañonero**. That, the heirs/adjudicatees hereby **SELL, CEDE, TRANSFER and CONVEY** by way of **Absolute Sale** a portion of the above-said parcel of land identified as **Lot 1172-B** with **1,158 sq.m.** in favor of **spouses John A. Angelitud and Cheryl C. Angelitud**. Entered in the notarial registry of **Atty. Ruth A. Florentino** per Doc. No. 358, Page No. 73, Book No. XXXVII, series of 2018.

NE/Sept. 30, Oct. 7 & 14, 2024

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Iloilo
Municipality of San Dionisio
OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that WILLY MOSQUEDA NAVARRO has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of entry in the Date of Birth (MONTH & DAY) from "FEBRUARY 20, 1964" to "DECEMBER 1, 1964" in the certificate of Live Birth of WILLIE MOSQUIDA NAVARRO at San Dionisio, Iloilo and whose parents are Rizalino Navarro and Lagrimas Mosqueda.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office.

(SGD.) MARY JEAN G. DEMONTEVERDE
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Oct. 7, 2024 & Oct. 14, 2024

Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE CIVIL REGISTRAR
Calinog, Iloilo

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1. Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that JOEMAR IAN D. ALCARDE has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of entry in the child's sex from "FEMALE" to "MALE" in the certificate of live birth of JOEMAR IAN DA-ANOY ALCARDE at Calinog, Iloilo and whose parents are MIGUEL MELCHOR B. ALCARDE and MARGARITA J. DA-ANOY.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office.

(SGD.) MA. AILYN C. CAMPOS
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Oct. 7 2024 & Oct. 14, 2024

Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE CIVIL REGISTRAR
Calinog, Iloilo

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1. Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that LORNA C. LACERDO has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of entry in the child's sex from "M" to "FEMALE" in the certificate of live birth of LORNA CHIVA LACERDO at Calinog, Iloilo and whose parents are JOSE WINEFREDO LACERDO and FLORENCIA CHIVA.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office.

(SGD.) MA. AILYN C. CAMPOS
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Oct. 7 2024 & Oct. 14, 2024

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province: Iloilo
Municipality: Anilao

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. Act No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the Public that RENELYN A. BUYCO has filed with this Office a Petition for Change of First Name from "MA. ROSIE" to "ROSIE" in the Certificate of Live Birth of MA. ROSIE DIZON ARTILLO who was born on 06 April 1962 at Anilao, Iloilo and whose parents are Alejandro P. Artillo and Renita D. Dizon.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office.

(SGD.) MELITON E. BUYCO II
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Oct. 14, 2024 & Oct. 21, 2024

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Iloilo
MUNICIPALITY OF BADIANGAN
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Office of the Municipal Civil Registrar

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

In compliance with R.A. Act No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that JOECITA ACANTO PENAFIEL has filed with this office a petition for CHANGE OF FIRST NAME from "MA. JOECITA" to "JOECITA" in the Certificate of Live Birth of JOECITA JUNSAY ACANTO who was born on September 30, 1962 at Badiangan, Iloilo and whose parents are Alfredo Acanto and Alfonsa Junsay.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file a written opposition with this Office.

(SGD.) EDWARD P. NOBLEZA
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/October 14, 2024 & October 21, 2024

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Iloilo
Municipality of Janiuary

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that EMEDA R. RIBAYA has filed a petition for Change of First Name from "MARIA EMIDA" to "EMEDA" in the Certificate of Live Birth of MARIA EMIDA LEGARDE RENDAJE whose parents are Heracleo RendaJE and Vevencia Legarde.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his/her written opposition with this Office.

(SGD.) ANA LISA M. CORNELIO
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Oct. 7, 2024 & Oct. 14, 2024



Department of Transportation
MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY
Regional Office VI
MROVI Building, De La Rama Street
Iloilo City, Philippines 5000



RE: Application for Second Amendment of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) pursuant to Republic Act No. 9295 and its Revised - Implementing Rules and Regulations to effect reduction of vessel

LUZVILLA E. BONDOC Case No. MRO VI 20-032
Applicant. 2nd CPC Amendment

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ORDER

This refers to the application for Second Amendment of Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) to wit:

VESSEL TO BE DELETED
SB HORIZON

The Applicant shall cause the publication of this ORDER in a newspaper of local circulation.

The Applicant shall likewise simultaneously caused the posting of this Orders in a conspicuous place at the affected ports, ships, Applicant's premises, passenger terminal and ticketing offices.

The Applicant shall present the jurisdictional, qualification and documentary requirements in a summary proceeding to be conducted on 17 October 2024 at 10:00 AM. at the Maritime Regional Office VI Building, De La Rama St., Iloilo City, which is within seven (7) days from the date of publication/posting.

The Applicant shall be required to make a written Formal Offer of Evidence (FOE), after which, the application is deemed submitted for resolution /decision, upon acceptance of such FOE and declaration that the case is submitted for decision.

WITNESS, the MARINA Administrator, Hon. Sonia B. Malaluan, this 4th day of October 2024.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE ADMINISTRATOR:

(SGD.) JEFFREY A. BANGSA
Regional Director

Copy furnished:
Applicant Malay, Aklan
Office of the Solicitor General, 134 Amorsolo St. Legaspi Vill., Makati Metro Manila
Phil.6th Coast Guard District, Bo. Obrero, Iloilo City
File

DEED OF ADJUDICATION AND ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late Spouses CANDIDO ALLESA and ARLENE AMOYAN ALLESA consisting of a parcel of land known as (Lot No. 3606 Pcs 26), situated in Brgy. Poblacion, Alimodian, Iloilo covered by ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 2017000868 with an area of TWO HUNDRED SEVENTEEN (217) SQUARE METERS, more or less is adjudicated to sole heir FRANZ MATTHEW A. ALLESA. That, FRANZ MATTHEW A. ALLESA hereby SELL, CEDE, TRANSFER and CONVEY by way of Absolute Sale the above-said parcel of land in favor of CHRISTINE JOY B. VILLAGRACIA, as entered in the notarial registry of Atty. Ruth A. Florentino per Doc. No. 211, Page No. 44, Book No. III, Series of 2024.

NE/October 7, 14 & 21, 2024

DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late Spouses REMIA ALOJEPAN ALOMIA and JOSE OCIDO ALOMIA consisting of one-half (1/2) undivided share of a parcel of land known as Lot No. 394 of the Cadastral Survey of Alimodian, Cadastral Case No. N-16, LRC Cadastral Record No. N-300, situated in Poblacion, Alimodian, Iloilo covered by TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-41784 with an area of FOUR HUNDRED ONE (401) SQUARE METERS, more or less is adjudicated to heirs MA. JOYMIE ALOMIA CASTILLON, CECILIA LEILA ALOMIA GREEN and EMILE ROSELYN ALOMIA CAPUNO, as entered in the notarial registry of Atty. Ruth A. Florentino per Doc. No. 238, Page No. 47, Book No. II, Series of 2024.

NE/October 7, 14 & 21, 2024

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of the late Marilyn Antonio Mangayayam, namely WARLITO G. MANGAYAYAM, WARMAR ANTONIO MANGAYAYAM and WARLYN ANTONIO MANGAYAYAM executed a DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL ADJUDICATION of the Estate of Marilyn Antonio Mangayayam dated July 10, 2024 notarized by Notary Public Nelson C. Oberas under Doc. No. 346; Page No. 71; Book No. 241; Series of 2024, involving parcels of land including improvements thereon identified as Lot No. 1, Block 1 covered by TCT No. (T-89154) 095-2020001774, situated in Bankers Village Subdivision, Quintin Salas, Jaro, Iloilo City and Lot No. 2-A covered by TCT No. (T-81764) 095-2020001773 situated in Mc Arthur Drive (formerly Tabuc Suba (National Road) Bankers Village Subdivision, Quintin Salas, Jaro, Iloilo City both of the Registry of Deeds of Iloilo City.

NE/Oct. 7, 14 & 21 2024

EXTRA-JUDICIAL ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late Spouses EUSEBIO B. SUYAO and ANGELES LIBO-ON SUYAO consisting of a parcel of land known as TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. EP-7960 situated in Brgy. Badiangan, Mina, Iloilo with an area of TWENTY THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY ONE (23,651) square meters, more or less is adjudicated to heirs LEONIDAS LIBO-ON SUYAO, HELEN SUYAO-BOLIVAR and WELMER LIBO-ON SUYAO as entered in the notarial registry of ATTY. JON CLIFF A. GRABATO per Doc. No. 124, Page No. 26, Book No. II, Series of 2024.

NE/October 14, 21 & 28, 2024

JOEY AYALA: FROM 'KARANIWANG TAO' TO GAWAD CCP AWARDEE

With candor and excitement, Joey Ayala kept audiences laughing while reminiscing the colorful and meaningful moments he and his group Ang Bagong

Lumad experienced in the CCP's Outreach and Exchange Program along with other unforgettable experiences he was thankful for in his acceptance speech

at the recent Gawad CCP Para sa Sining event.

"Napakatingkad na karangalan ang mabilang sa mga mandiriwang nakapag-ambag sa paglinang ng

sining at kultura dito sa ating bayan ('It is a great honor to be counted among those who have contributed to the cultivation of art and

JOEY AYALA / page 14

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
6th JUDICIAL REGION
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF
CJ Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice
Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City
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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11070-24

For Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135, as amended

BDO UNIBANK, INC.,
Mortgagee,

-versus-

SPOUSES RAYMAR D. SIBONGA
and **KRISTINE MAE F. SIBONGA**
Debtors/Mortgagors,

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Foreclosure and Sale of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, as amended, filed by **BDO UNIBANK, INC., ("MORTGAGEE")** a universal banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with office address at 11F BDO Towers Valero, (formerly Citibank Tower), 8741 Paseo de Roxas, Makati City 1226, Metro Manila, against **SPOUSES RAYMAR D. SIBONGA and KRISTINE MAE E. SIBONGA, ("DEBTORS/MORTGAGORS")** both of legal age, Filipinos and with postal address/es at **(1) Bo. Cochero Balliante, Molo, Iloilo City (2) Lot 15 Block 5, First Homes Subdivision, Brgy. Navais, Mandurriao, Iloilo City**, to satisfy the mortgaged indebtedness which as of **July 15, 2024**, in the amount of **FIVE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY SIX THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE PESOS & 81/100 (Php5,436,969.81)** Philippine Currency, including interest, penalties, incidental thereto besides the attorney's fees incurred for the foreclosure, the Ex-Officio Provincial Sheriff of Iloilo or his duly authorized deputy will sell at public auction on **November 14, 2024**, at TEN (10:00) o'clock in the morning at the Ground Floor, Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Ramon Avanceña Hall of Justice Building, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK to the highest bidder and in Philippine Currency the mortgaged real properties with all the improvements found thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO: 095-2014003548

"A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 15 BLOCK 5, PSD-06-075636, BEING A SUBD. OF LOT 38, BLOCK 8, PCS-5977), SITUATED IN THE BARANGAY OF NAVAIS, DISTRICT OF MANDURRIAIO, CITY OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, BOUNDED XXXXXXXXXXXXX, CONTAINING AN AREA OF SEVENTY SIX (76) SQUARE METERS MORE OR LESS".

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned date and time.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **November 28, 2024**, at the same time and place without further notice.

Iloilo City, Philippines, **September 02, 2024.**

(SGD.) LENY GEMMA P. CASTILLO
Sheriff-in-Charge

(SGD.) ATTY. GERRY D. SUMACULUB
Clerk of Court VII & Ex-Officio Sheriff

WARNING:

It is absolutely prohibited to remove, deface or destroy this Notice of Sale on or before the date of sale, under penalty of law.

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
6TH JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 22
ILOILO CITY
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033-3279706

SPL. PROC. CASE NO. 24-15751

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF ENTRIES IN THE CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF "BABY BOY" VALDEZ LEE IN THE RECORDS OF THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY and OFFICE OF THE CIVIL REGISTRY OF ILOILO CITY AND TO CHANGE THE NAME OF JINGYU VALDEZ DOGOLDOGOL.

JINGYU VALDEZ DOGOLDOGOL,
Petitioner,

-versus-

VINA LLORICO VALDEZ DOGOLDOGOL, RUDYLYN DOGOLDOGOL, MARK RUVIN V. DOGOLDOGOL, ARCHEN V. DOGOLDOGOL, JAN PRINCESS V. DOGOLDOGOL, ALDREN V. DOGOLDOGOL, PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY and OFFICE OF THE CIVIL REGISTRY OF ILOILO CITY

Respondents.

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ORDER

Before this Court is a verified petition for the correction of entry in the Certificate of Live Birth of **JINGYU VALDEZ DOGOLDOGOL**, under Local Civil Registry No. **84-14128**. He prays that after due notice and hearing, an order be issued directing the Office of the Registrar General and the Local City Civil Registrar of Iloilo City to correct the following entries:

a.) Entry No. 1 (first name- from: "BABY BOY VALDEZ LEE" to: "JINGYU VALDEZ DOGOLDOGOL"

He further prays that he be allowed to carry the surname "Dogoldogol" and be considered as a child of both respondents Spouses **VINA LLORICO VALDEZ DOGOLDOGOL** and **RUDYLYN DOGOLDOGOL** as evidence by their Certificate of Marriage dated October 7, 1996 and as a brother of the other respondents **MARK RUVIN V. DOGOLDOGOL, ARCHEN V. DOGOLDOGOL, JAN PRINCESS V. DOGOLDOGOL** and **ALDRIN V. DOGOLDOGOL**.

The petitioner alleges, among others, that he has publicly, openly and continuously use the name "JINGYU" as his first name and "DOGOLDOGOL" as his last name. He attached the following documents to support his petition, such as: his certificate of live birth from the National Statistics Office; baptismal certificate; petitioner's Certificate of Marriage to **ROWENA J. BEDIA** issued by the Philippine Statistics Office; Certification from the Punong Barangay of Brgy. Jibao-an, Municipality of Pavia, Iloilo; Personal Identification Card (National ID System); PhilHealth ID and proof of ownership of real property.

WHEREFORE, let the initial hearing of the petition be set on the **27th** day of **January, 2025 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning.**

At the petitioner's expense, let copy of this Order be published for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and Province of Iloilo.

Let copy of this order be posted in at least three (3) conspicuous public places: (1) in the Barangay Hall of Brgy. Jibao-an, Pavia, Iloilo, where the petitioner resides, (2) the Municipality of Pavia, Iloilo and (3) at the main entrance of the Chief Justice Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice, Iloilo City, so that any person who may have interest thereto may appear to show cause, why this petition should not be granted.

The petitioner is directed to furnish the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG) copy of its petition and annexes.

Furnish copy of this Order the petitioner, parents of the petitioner, petitioner's counsel, the OSG, the Local Civil Registrar of Iloilo City and the Philippine Statistics Authority.

SO ORDERED.

Iloilo City, Philippines, September 17, 2024.,

(SGD.) REDENTOR E. ESPERANZA
Presiding Judge

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
6TH Judicial Region
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SPL. PROC. NO. 23-0168
(11-11279)

In Re: IN THE MATTER OF CORRECTION OF ENTRIES IN THE CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF MERILLA SANDOVAL YAP UNDER LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRY NO. 112

MERILLA SANDOVAL YAP,
Petitioner,

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF CABATUAN, ILOILO, THE CIVIL REGISTRAR GENERAL, AND PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY,

Respondents.

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ORDER

A verified **Second Amended Petition** was filed before this Court by petitioner, through counsel, praying that "after due notice and hearing, judgment be rendered ordering the Office of the Civil Registrar General and Local Civil Registrar of Cabatuan, Iloilo to correct petitioner's first name from **Ma. Merilda** to **Merilla** and her date of birth from **January 28, 1954** to **December 28, 1953** on the Certificate of Live Birth under **Registry Number 112** of the Local Civil Registry of Cabatuan.

Petitioner avers that she was born on December 28, 1953 to parents Zenaida Caspe and Oscar Sandoval at Brgy. Balabag, Cabatuan, Iloilo. The fact of her birth was duly recorded with the Local Civil Registrar of Cabatuan, Iloilo under Local Civil Registry Number 112.

Petitioner further states that her first name and date of birth were erroneously recorded in her Certificate of Live Birth. Her first name was erroneously indicated as Ma. Merilda instead of Merilla while her date of birth was mistakenly written as January 28, 1954 instead of December 28, 1953.

She asserts that, since then, she used her correct name and the true date of birth in all her official, public, and private records such as Certificate of Baptism, Marriage Certificate, Voter's Certification issued by the Commission on Elections, Social Security Services Record, Senior Citizen card issued by the Office of the Senior Citizen Affairs, City of Talisay, Cebu, Philippine Identification Card, Philippine Passport, and Covid-19 Vaccination Card. In fact, all her personal and public records show that the her first name is *Merilla* and her date of birth is *December 28, 1953*.

Petitioner, in her school records, carried December 28, 1953 as her date of birth. However, it was only unfortunate that all her school records were destroyed after Agusan Colleges and Butuan City Colleges where she took her secondary and primary education respectively were razed by fire.

It is imperative that the erroneous entries, specifically the first name and date of birth, in the Certificate of Live Birth of the petitioner under Local Civil Registry Number 112 registered with the Local Civil Registrar of Cabatuan, Iloilo be corrected for being erroneous and in order to conform to the truth, as well as to avoid further confusion in her official records and for all other lawful purposes.

No third persons will be prejudiced by the correction of the erroneous entry stated above. Petitioner's parents were all deceased. His siblings know the true and correct date of birth of herein petitioner and are not likewise prejudiced of the necessary correction.

Finding the said petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the same is set for hearing on **February 17, 2025, at 8:30 in the morning** before this Court. Notice is hereby given that any person who has objection to this petition may file his/her opposition thereto within fifteen (15) days from service or last day of publication of this Order, stating the grounds or reasons therefor.

The petitioner shall cause this Order to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and Province of Iloilo, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, such that the last publication should be at least fifteen (15) days before the date of hearing.

Furnish copy of this Order the petitioner, Atty. Cristine Clea B. Cuadras, the Office of the Solicitor General, the Office of the Civil Registrar General, the Philippine Statistics Authority, the Local Civil Registrar of Cabatuan, Iloilo, and the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor of Iloilo.

SO ORDERED.

Janiuay, Iloilo, Philippines, June 28, 2024.

(SGD.) GEMALYN FAUNILLO-TAROL
Presiding Judge

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
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SPL. PROC. NO.
22-15095

**IN THE MATTER OF THE SETTLEMENT
 OF THE INTESTATE ESTATE OF THE
 LATE EDUARDO JALANDONI AND
 ROGELIA DE LA ROSA JALANDONI AND
 THE ISSUANCE OF THE LETTERS OF
 ADMINISTRATION**

**GEORGE JALANDONI ALSO KNOWN AS
 ARTHUR JALANDONI FOR HIMSELF
 AND ON BEHALF OF HIS SIBLINGS BRENDA
 JALANDONI TAYAG, SUSAN R. JALANDONI
 AND JOSE NIMITZS JALANDONI**

Petitioners,

-versus-

**DAWN FELICIANO & DEANNA J.
 FELICIANO.**

Oppositors.

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AMENDED ORDER

This is in pursuance of the Order of the Court dated March 8, 2024 ordering a Notice for the Third Party Claimant against the Estate. Thus:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that notice be and the same is hereby given, requiring all persons having claims for money against the decedents **EDUARDO JALANDONI and ROGELIA DELA ROSA JALANDONI** arising from contract, express or implied, whether the same be due or contingent, for funeral expenses of the last sickness of the said decedents, and judgment for money against them, to file said claims within twelve months from the date of the first publication of this Order serving a copy upon Dawn Feliciano, the appointed Special Administrator of this proceedings, through her counsel's address at 22nd Floor ACCRALAW Tower, 2nd Avenue corner 30th Street, Crescent Park West, Bonifacio Global City, 1635 Taquig.

The Special Administrator is hereby directed to cause the publication, of this Order in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and province of Iloilo once a week for three consecutive weeks, and posting of the Order for the same period in four public places in the Province of Iloilo and in two public places in the City of Iloilo.

SO ORDERED.

Iloilo City, Philippines,
 July 31, 2024.

(SGD.) VICTORINO OLIVEROS MANIBA, JR.
 Presiding Judge

NE/Sept. 30, Oct. 7 & 14, 2024

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **FRANCISCA GUAY JAGUNAP** consisting of bank deposits at **PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK (PNB) Iloilo Iznart Branch** under **Account No. 013104-60000-22111** and **Bangko Santa Barbara / Rural Bank of Santa Barbara (Iloilo), Inc.** under **Account No. 4535-001-04-000644-9** are adjudicated unto sole heir **APOLONIA GUAY JAGUNAP**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. NOLI REY L. PAMONAG** per Doc. No. 55, Page No. 12, Book No. 01, Series of 2024.

NE/October 14, 21 & 28, 2024

AFFIDAVIT OF LOSS

Notice is hereby given that **ANATOLE DAN R. VIRAY**, of legal age, Filipino, and a resident of Javellana Street, Jaro, Iloilo City had filed an **Affidavit of Loss** pertaining to **two (2) shares of stock per Stock Certificate No. 832** issued on **April 23, 1992** and **Stock Certificate No. 1842** issued on **January 2, 1997** issued by **Iloilo Golf & Country Club, Inc.** in the name of **ANATALIO VIRAY**. That recently he discovered the above-enumerated stock certificates are missing from his personal files and the same can no longer be found despite diligent search and effort to locate it hence are considered LOST for all legal purposes and intent. Entered in the notarial registry of **Atty. Beatriz F. Tobongbanua** per Doc. No. 200, Page No. 41, Book No. 1, Series of 2023.

NE/October 14, 21 & 28, 2024

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EJF Case No. 24-25

For: PETITION FOR EXTRA- JUDICIAL
 FORECLOSURE
 OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER
 ACT 3135, AS AMENDED BY ACT NO. 4118

**FIRST STANDARD FINANCE
 CORPORATION (Formerly FIRST
 STANDARD LENDING
 CORPORATION)**

Petitioner/s-Mortgagee/s,

-versus-

**JENNELYN A. PRIETO,
 MARK EDUARD V. FERNANDEZ**

Respondent/s.-Mortgagor/s.

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SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135 filed **FIRST STANDARD FINANCE CORPORATION (Formerly FIRST STANDARD LENDING CORPORATION)** against **JENNELYN A. PRIETO and MARK EDUARD V. FERNANDEZ** to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which, as April 15, 2024, amounts to **SEVEN MILLION THREE HUNDRED FOURTEEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE AND 60/100 (P 7,314,925.60) pesos only**, the undersigned Deputy Sheriff will sell at public auction **November 19, 2024 at 10:00 AM**, or soon thereafter, at the main entrance of the Regional Trial Court Branch 76, Janiuay, Iloilo to the highest bidder, for cash or manager's check and in Philippine Currency the following properties with all its improvements, to wit:

**TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. CLOA
 T-12,319**

A PARCEL OF LAND (Lot 5790-C, Psd-06-054963 (AR)), being a portion of Lot 5790, Janiuay Cad. 266 situated in the Barangay of Yabon, Municipality of Janiuay, Province of Iloilo, Island of Panay.

Bounded on the NW., along line 1-2 by lot 5790-A, of this subd plan; on the N., along 2-3 by Suage river, on the NE, along line 3-4 by lot 5790-D (rocky portion) of this subd plan; on the SE., along lines 4-6 by lot 4253, on the SW., along line 6-1 by lot 5789, all of Janiuay Cad. 266, thence,

Beginning at point marked "1" on plan using N. 42-19' E., 876.56 m. form BBM No. 131, Janiuay Cad. 266 thence

N.	23-32'	E.,	164.20 m.	to pt.	2;
S.	77-05'	E.,	152.24 m.	to pt.	3;
S.	05-05'	E.,	52.40 m.	to pt.	4;
S.	34-16'	W.,	151.79 m.	to pt.	5;
N.	85-12'	W.,	36.08 m.	to pt.	6;
N.	59-07'	W.,	113.25 m.	to pt.	of beginning.;

Containing an area of **THIRTY THOUSAND (30,000) SQUARE METERS more or less.**

Note: This lot was affected by an easement with area of 0.3570 has.

Registered in the name of Jenelyn A. Prieto, of legal age, Filipino, single and a resident of Aquino Nobleza St., Janiuay, Iloilo.

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above stated date and time.

In the event the public auction shall not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **December 17, 2024** at 10:00 AM, without further notice.

Janiuay, Iloilo, Philippines, July 08, 2024.

(SGD.) ATTY. MA. JUANNA ESTER D. SENUPE
 Ex-Officio Sheriff
 Clerk of Court VI

(SGD.) CARLO M. YAP
 Sheriff IV

NE/Sept. 30, Oct. 7 & 14, 2024

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**SPECIAL PROCEEDING
 CASE NO. 2023-1563**

FOR: IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION
 FOR CANCELLATION OF THE CERTIFICATE
 OF LIVE BIRT OF LALA GREGORIO BAGOY
 UNDER REGISTRY NO. 50 (a-77)

YALA GREGORIO BAGOY
 a.k.a. LALA GREGORIO BAGOY,
 Petitioner,

-versus-

**THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF CARLES,
 THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY,
 and all other persons interested thereby,**
 Respondents,

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AMENDED ORDER

A verified petition was filed by the petitioner through her counsel, praying that after due notice, publication and hearing, an order be issued ordering the **correction of the Certificate of Live Birth of Yala Gregorio Bagoy under Registry No. 50 (a-77) in order for the petitioner to use her true and correct name Yala Gregorio Bagoy and correct the year of birth of 1975.**

The petition alleges that: the **respondent, Philippine Statistics Authority is a government office sued in its official capacity with postal address at PSA Complex East Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City, 1101; respondent, Local Civil Registrar of Carles, Iloilo is a government office sued in its official capacity with postal address at the Municipal Building, Barangay Poblacion, Carles, Iloilo; the fact of birth of the petitioner was first recorded with the Local Civil Registry of Carles, Iloilo under Registry No. 50 (a-77); under Registry No. 50 (a-77) her first name was erroneously indicated as "Lala" and her year of birth was "1976"; in the year 1989 when petitioner graduated from elementary, her fact of birth was belatedly registered by her mother Nida G. Bagoy with the Local Civil Registrar of Carles, Iloilo under Registry No. 89-48, thinking that her daughter's birth was not yet registered; in the year 2023, when petitioner requested a copy of her Certificate of Live Birth with Registry No. 89-48 with the Philippine Statistics Authority, she could no longer get a copy of the same, instead she was issued a Certificate of Live Birth with Registry no. 50 (a-77); it appearing that a prior registration of the fact of birth of petitioner was made in the year 1977, however petitioner's mother could not recall having caused the registration of the same, and considering further that an incorrect date of birth and first name was also indicated in that first registration; petitioner's true and correct name is Yala Gregorio Bagoy and the correct year of birth is 1975 as reflected in her PSA Certificate of Live Birth under Registry No. 89-48 as well as in her other competent evidence of identity as follows. A PSA copy of Petitioner's Marriage Contract, petitioner's Certificate of Baptism issued by Sta. Teresa de Avila Parish, Carles, Iloilo, Certificate issued by Carles Central School that petitioner's records were destroyed by typhoon Yolanda, Secondary Student's Permanent Record of Yala G. Bagoy issued by Don Casimero Andrada National High School, Voter's Certification of Yala Bagoy Marcelino issued by COMELEC, Barangay I.D. of Yala Bagoy Marcelino, Certificate of Indigency issued by the Punong Barangay of Barangay Guinticgan, Carles Iloilo, Barangay Clearance issued by the Punong Barangay of Barangay Guinticgan, Carles Iloilo, National Police Clearance; there is therefore a need to rectify the Certificate of Live Birth of Lala Gregorio Bagoy under Registry No. 50 (a-77) to reflect her correct year of birth as 1975, and her correct first name as YALA, in order to avoid confusion as to her identity and consequently, it will conform and reflect the true and correct entry in her public records considering petitioner has been consistently using the name Yala Gregorio Bagoy since childhood and 1975 as her year of birth; no third person will be prejudiced by the correction of the Certificate of Live Birth subject of this case, and this petition is not intended to conceal a crime or any wrong-doing; petitioner is an indigent and would like to avail of the benefits provided under Republic Act No. 9406, and petitioner likewise requests to be exempted from payment of filing fee; petitioner and her witnesses shall testify and their testimonies are supported by several documentary evidence as follows, PSA copy of Petitioner's Certificate of Live Birth with Registry No. 50 (a-77), petitioner's Certificate of Live Birth with Registry No. 89-48 issued by the Local Civil Registrar of Carles, Iloilo, PSA copy of Petitioner's Certificate of Live Birth with Registry No. 50 (a-77), PSA copy of petitioner's marriage contract, Petitioner's Certificate of Baptism issued by Sta. Teresa de Avila Parish, Carles, Iloilo, Certificate issued by Carles Central School that petitioner's records were destroyed by typhoon Yolanda, Secondary Student's Permanent Record of Yala G. Bagoy issued by Don Casimero Andrada National High School, Voter's Certification of Yala Bagoy Marcelino issued by COMELEC, Barangay I.D. of Yala Bagoy Marcelino, Certificate of Indigency issued by the Punong Barangay of Barangay Guinticgan, Carles, Iloilo, Barangay Clearance issued by the Punong Barangay of Barangay Guinticgan, Carles, Iloilo, and National Police Clearance.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Rule 108 of the Rules of Court, this petition is hereby set for hearing on **5 November 2024 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning** before the Regional Trial Court, Branch 70, Barotac Viejo, Iloilo, at which time, date and place, the respondents, or any person who may have interest in entries sought to be corrected may, before the date set for hearing, file their opposition thereto.

This Order shall be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in **News Express**, a newspaper of general circulation in the province of Iloilo accredited by this Court at the expense of the petitioner.

The Clerk of Court is directed to furnish copies of this Order to the Philippine Statistics Authority, Office of the Solicitor General, Civil Registrar General, Local Civil Registrar of Carles, Iloilo, the petitioner, private respondents, and counsel/s.

Petitioner is ordered to furnish copies of the petition to the Philippine Statistics Authority, Office of the Solicitor General, Civil Registrar General, Local Civil Registrar of Carles, Iloilo, private respondents, and to submit compliance thereto within ten (10) days from receipt of this Order.

SO ORDERED.

Barotac Viejo, Iloilo. 2 September 2024.

(SGD) OSCAR LEO S. BILLENA
 Judge

NE/October 7, 14 & 21, 2024

BIR-7 boasts revenue collection windfall in 2023

CEBUCITY—The Bureau of Internal Revenue in Central Visayas (BIR-7) recorded a 10.21 percent increase in revenue collections in 2023.

At the Bagong Pilipinas forum on Tuesday, BIR-7 Director Douglas Rufino said the bureau recorded a PHP3.9-billion jump in last year's collection compared to 2022.

Year-on-year, the tax agency's regional office collected PHP42.5 billion in revenues last year against PHP38.6 billion in 2022.

Last year's collection was also 1.47 percent higher than the PHP41.9 billion targeted collection.

"With this, our region was recognized as the Top 2 region all over the country in achieving the highest excess collection over the goal," Rufino said.

He attributed the windfall to the continuous effort in

conducting multiple tax operations and constant communication with taxpayers.

Among the big operations of the BIR-7 was the issuance of a mission order against cigarette packing machines, raw materials and finished products declared as illicit items.

"This came from an intelligence report from the police community that there is such an ongoing manufacturing of illicit cigarettes in Daanbantayan (in Cebu)," Rufino said.

When the tax agents implemented the mission order, the packing machines and the raw materials were gone but they received information these were moved somewhere to Mandaue City.

The BIR-7 seized the cigarette-packing machines and raw materials.

GCash CEO Martha Sazon lands on Fortune's 100 Most Powerful Women Asia 2024 for leading efforts toward financial inclusion

FOR playing a central role in financially empowering millions of Filipinos wherever they are, GCash, the leading finance super app in the Philippines, continues to make big waves in the global fintech industry as its president and CEO Martha Sazon has been recognized on Fortune's prestigious list of 100 Most Powerful Women Asia 2024.

Appointed as CEO during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, Sazon has championed customer-centricity, transforming GCash into a vital lifeline for many Filipinos.

GCash has become the Philippines' first and only \$5 billion unicorn, tripling its pre-pandemic user base to over 90 million Filipinos in 2023, and is now a household name across the nation. With financial inclusion at its core,

GCash continues to provide accessible and affordable financial services that help millions of Filipinos thrive every day.

Under Sazon's helm, GCash achieved exponential growth and innovation. With the help of GCash, the banked population of the Philippines has increased from 29% pre-pandemic to 65% in 2022. Now, millions of GCash users benefit from finally being able to do what they were unable to do in the past—save, invest, get insurance easily, and get fair loans.

Notably, GSave enables 1 in 4 banked Filipinos to easily set up deposit accounts through its in-app savings feature. GFunds allows users to invest in local and global funds for as little as PHP 50 (~\$1). Currently, 75% of the country's Unit Investment Trust Funds (UITFs) is

coursed through GCash and it has sold over 23 million insurance policies via its GInsure feature—significantly increasing access to insurance. GCash, through its lending arm Fuse, disbursed over \$2.75 billion in loans to 5.4 million unique borrowers, with 2 out of 3 borrowers being women, from lower socio-economic classes, or located outside Metro Manila.

Underscoring her influence and dedication to driving positive change in the financial landscape, Sazon's remarkable leadership has earned her numerous accolades over the years. In 2021, she was named CEO of the Year at the IDC Future Enterprise Awards in the Philippines. Her innovative digital transformation strategies led to her being titled Master Innovator at the Mansmith

Innovation Awards in 2022. Most recently, in 2023, she was honored as Woman of the Year at the Asia Leaders Awards.

Prior to joining GCash, Sazon had over 20 years of experience across diverse sectors, including food, over-the-counter drugs, personal care, and telecommunications, showcasing her expertise to drive growth and transformation in competitive markets on both national and international scale.

The Fortune 100 MPW Asia rankings honor women leaders who transform companies, disrupt industries, and drive growth, innovation, and business excellence while helping inspire positive change and the next generation of leaders. The full list is available on: <https://fortune.com/asia/ranking/most-powerful-women-asia/>.

PH pharma players urged to shift to 2D barcodes to combat fake meds

MANILA – Local pharmaceutical industry players were urged to adopt 2D barcodes, which include Quick Response (QR) codes, as a measure to fight the spread of counterfeit medicines and medical supplies in the domestic market.

This measure is important as the country remains on the radar of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) for

fraudulent medical products, said GS1 Philippines, the leading organization for implementing local barcode standards.

In a statement Wednesday, GS1 Philippines said it is implementing the Global Trade Item Numbers (GTINs) in the country which can capture crucial data, such as the date of manufacture, expiration date, and the manufacturer's

name that enhances product identification and verification.

These complex data can be stored by utilizing 2D barcodes, which use vertical and horizontal patterns like QRs.

The current 1D barcode technology can only identify product codes.

Consumers can access data and verify the product by scanning the QR code, which cannot

be done on 1D barcodes.

"The threat of counterfeit medicines compromises both consumer safety and trust in healthcare providers. By leveraging barcode technology, we can establish a cohesive integration of global standards that prioritizes patient safety, particularly in regions facing serious challenges with counterfeit products," GS1 Philippines president

Roberto Claudio said.

Pharmaceutical and Healthcare Association of the Philippines (PHAP) and GS1 Philippines officer and trustee Teodoro Padilla has affirmed the local pharmaceutical industry's support in adopting 2D barcode technology among domestic players.

"PHAP supports this innovation, acknowledging its potential to verify products and prevent

counterfeit medicines from reaching patients. To further strengthen our fight against fake drugs, PHAP urges collaboration among pharmaceutical companies, regulatory bodies, healthcare providers, and the general public to expedite the adoption of this technology, strictly enforce regulations, and increase awareness to ensure the safety and well-being of Filipino patients," Padilla said.

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culture in our country'," said Ayala.

"Mga apat na dekada na po kaming lumilikha at nagpe-perform at napakaraming musiko na rin ang naging kasama sa banda at sa ibat-ibang proyekto," he recalled. "Di po kami nabuhay bilang artist nang ganitong katagal kung wala yung jumpstart energy na dumaloy mula sa Sentrong Pangkultura ng Pilipinas." ("We have been creating and performing for about four decades and have been with many musicians in the band and in various projects. We could not have lived as artists for this long without the jumpstart energy that flowed from the Cultural Center of the Philippines.")

A distinguished composer, singer, musical director, and writer, Ayala received the Gawad CCP Para sa Sining, the highest accolade given by the Cultural Center of

the Philippines, celebrating artists who have consistently produced outstanding works or evolved distinct styles that contribute significantly to their art forms.

The Gawad CCP Para sa Sining recognizes Ayala for his exceptional contributions as a composer, songwriter, and singer, particularly for popularizing indigenous instruments in contemporary music, which contributes greatly to the development of Philippine music.

Known for his unique blend of folk-rock and traditional Filipino sounds, Ayala incorporates indigenous instruments such as the T'boli hegalong, the bamboo jaw harp (kubing), and the kulintang (an eight-piece gong set) into his music.

By merging these traditional elements with modern instruments like electric guitars, synthesizers,

and drums, he crafts a distinctive folk-rock style that resonates deeply with audiences. His notable songs, including "Karaniwang Tao" and "Magkaugnay (Ang Lahat ng Bagay)," showcase this innovative fusion.

Ayala views the award as a validation of his work's alignment with evolving creative art directions and its role in encapsulating and advancing cultural identity.

Since beginning his career in 1982 with an album recorded in a makeshift studio in Davao City, Ayala has produced ten albums, six singles, and significant works for ballet and rock operas. His tenure as Chairman (2008–2010) and Vice-Chairman (2011–2013) of the National Committee on Music, under the National Commission for Culture and the Arts, further underscores his commitment to the field.

When asked what is probably his landmark masterpiece, Ayala highlights his 1992 Filipino ballet Encantada, produced by Ballet Philippines with choreography by National Artist Agnes Loesin.

"My work has passed a filtering system that is designed to encapsulate identity and at the same time act as a platform for further evolution. I am not conservative in the sense of presenting something traditional. I'm conservative in the sense of acting out a creative evolutionary impulse which is traditional to people," enthused Ayala.

In 2013, Ayala entered the second Philippine Popular Music Festival as a composer and interpreter for "Papel," one of its 12 finalists. He previously participated in 2012 as an interpreter for the song "Piso," composed by Kristofferson Melecio.

In 2014, he was featured in the BBC Travel episode featuring the Philippines.

Ayala draws inspiration from a wide range of sources, reflecting an interaction between his inner world and external stimuli. He describes his creative process as a dynamic blend of stimulus and response with a social-political edge.

For Ayala, arts are always evolving. In recent times, Ayala has delved into new technologies, building a personal studio to cultivate strong work habits and embrace his evolving artistic journey.

"When there is something that comes to my attention, it could be anything. It's an interaction between my internal world and the external world. It is not a particular nor is it a particular mental state. It is always a combination of stimulus and response. It has

a social-political statement," shared Ayala.

His practical advice to aspiring young musicians: "If you have the luxury of working with a good teacher, I advise getting a good one."

Aside from Ayala, other recipients of the Gawad CCP Awards this year included Generoso "Gener" Caringal, Maria Lea Carmen Salonga, Jose P. Lacaba Jr., Miguel "Mike" De Leon, Mario O'Hara (posthumous), Julie Lluch, Gino Gonzales, Loboc Children's Choir, Marilyn Gamboa, with awards to the late Sen. Edgardo J. Angara and the late Zenaida "Nedy" R. Tantoco.

The Gawad CCP Para sa Sining awards ceremony was held on September 20 at the Samsung Performing Arts Theater in a special concert gala celebrating the CCP 55th Anniversary.

Nava couple swap posts in Guimaras

ILOILO CITY – The Nava couple led the slate of the National Unity Party (NUP) in Guimaras in filing their certificates of candidacy (COCs) for the 2025 midterm elections on Tuesday.

Governor JC Rahman Nava will run for representative of the Lone District of Guimaras, swapping posts with his wife, Rep. Ma. Lucille Nava, who will seek a gubernatorial post.

In a press conference, Governor Nava said their candidates came from various parties but with the alliances at the national level, they decided to run under the NUP.

He added that their governance will be guided by their “Kabataan” FIRST agenda, which is focused on the youth.

FIRST stands for focused trade and investments, tourism and employment; integrated infrastructure

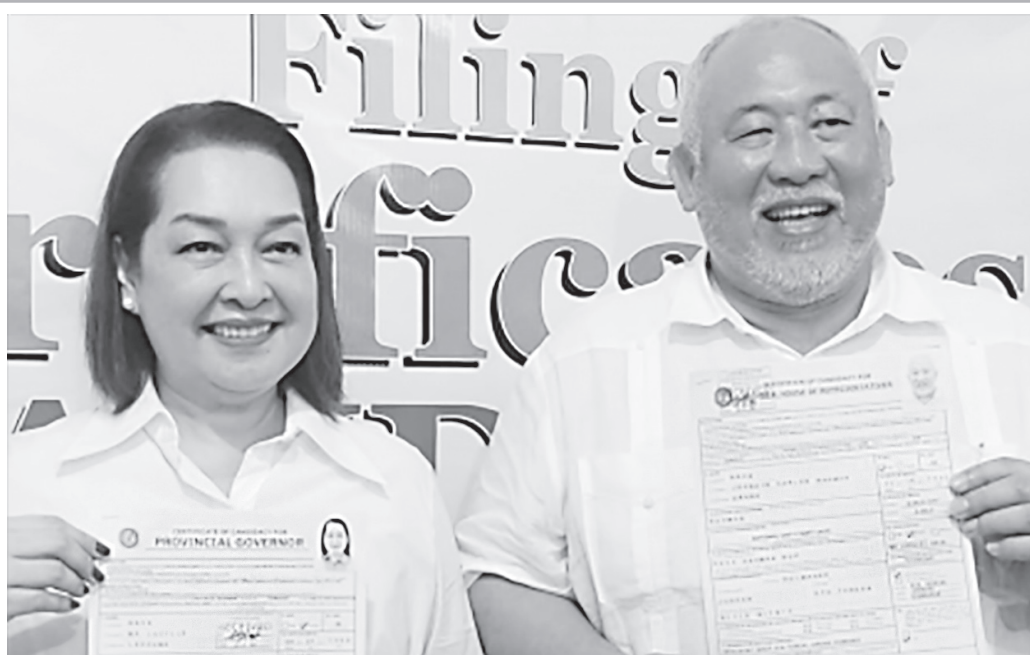
development; responsive healthcare and social services; sustainable economy; and trusted bureaucracy.

“When I am in Congress, we can work hand-in-hand again to realize these initiatives,” he added.

In the meantime, Rep. Nava said they will only have one direction toward the developmental goals they have set before.

“Everything is aligned, coordinated, supported and with the consensus of all officials,” she said.

Joining the couple in filing their COCs were incumbent Board Member Cecile Gumarin, who is running for the vice gubernatorial post and eight others vying for the Sangguniang Panlalawigan posts. (PNA)



SWAPPING POSTS. Governor JC Rahman (right) will run for representative of the province's Lone District swapping posts with his wife, Rep. Ma. Lucille Nava, who will run for governor. The Nava couple said governance in the province will be guided by their youth first agenda. (PNA photo by PGLena)

Baronda, Treñas camps heed call to unite

ILOILO CITY – Team Uswag and Team Gugma in this city finally ended months of speculation on whether or not they will launch separate candidacies in the congressional and mayoral race in the 2025 midterm elections.

On Tuesday, three minutes after the filing of certificates of candidacy closed, the two camps

released a joint statement that they are leaving the positions of the lone district representative and mayor in either of their slates unopposed.

“After deep reflection and sincere dialogue, we have decided to come together once again for the greater good of our beloved city,” said a statement signed by Iloilo

Rep. Julienne Baronda of Team Ugma and Raisa Treñas-Chu from Team Uswag.

“Our differences are small compared to the shared vision we have for our city’s future. We believe that through unity, we can lead this city to greater heights and ensure a better tomorrow for all.”

Baronda is seeking

reelection while Treñas-Chu is a first-time mayoral bet.

Both teams fielded their candidates from the vice mayor down to the Sangguniang Panlungsod (city council).

Baronda and her group filed their certificates of candidacy through a representative while they remained at the University of San Agustin gym for a Mass and a proclamation rally.

Joining her slate are her sister Love Joy Baronda, who will run for vice mayor, and candidates for the city council – former councilors Sheen Marie Mabilog and lawyer R. Leone Gerochi; neophytes lawyer Kesha Pesina, Peter Emil Oñate, Dr. Graceson Dela Llana, Pastor Stanley Flores, broadcaster Jun Capulot, Mor Espinosa, GM Ramos, and Bryant Zulueta.

The team of Treñas-Chu heard a Mass before a

caravan and a parade going to Robinsons Place to file their COCs.

Her slate included reelectionist Vice Mayor Jeffrey Ganson and incumbent councilors Sedfrey Cabaluna, Romel Duron, Rudolph Jeffrey Ganson, Rex Sarabia, Frances Grace Parcon-Torres, Miguel Treñas, lawyer Sheila Olid, Lyndon Acap, who is making a comeback, and neophytes Nene Dela Llana and Sheila Olid.

In a separate statement, Treñas-Chu said she was thankful for the overwhelming support they received when they filed their COCs.

“As we move forward, I humbly ask for your continued trust and support. This journey is not ours alone – it is a collective effort, and with your help, we are confident that we can continue to uplift and improve the lives of every Ilonggo,” she said. (PNA)



OVERWHELMING SUPPORT. Backers of Team Gugma gather at the University of San Agustin in Iloilo City on Tuesday (Oct. 8, 2024) to show their support for its slate. The candidates filed their certificates of candidacy through a representative. (Contributed photo)

Antique to identify priority projects for P821-M budget

SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique – The Provincial Planning and Development Office (PPDO) has to identify priority projects funded by the over PHP821.59 million approved Supplemental Budget No. 2 (SB2), which originally was PHP1.228 billion.

The provincial board slashed the budget by around PHP407 million during the deliberation and approval on Monday.

“It would now depend on the PPDO to identify projects that would be funded by it,” Governor Rhodora Cadio said in an interview on Tuesday.

Cadio said part of the approved SB2 was for the salary adjustment of permanent capitol employees and the wages of the contract of service employees.

The salary adjustment and wages amounted to PHP11 million.

“Approved also in the

SB2 is the budget for the 50th Binirayan Festival in the amount of about PHP23 million,” he said.

Antique will be celebrating the 50th Binirayan Festival, the provincial festival, this coming December.

Nallos said the financial assistance for the barangay solar photovoltaic system was reduced from PHP572 million to PHP300 million, and the budget for the construction of a mini hydro power plant in Sitio Igpaturayao, Barangay Poblacion in Sebaste from PHP18 million to PHP9 million.

The budget also covered funds for the livelihood and financial assistance of the Antiqueños. (PNA)

105 Wanted persons NAB in weeklong operations in Western Visayas

ILOILO City – The Police Regional Office 6 campaign against wanted persons in the region accounted 105 persons with warrants of arrest in a weeklong operations that covers October 1 to 7, 2024.

Of the number of arrest, 15 are classified as most wanted persons (MWPs), and 90 as other wanted persons (OWPs).

Below are the contributions of the different units across the region on the arrest of MWPs:

- Antique Police Provincial Office made 3 arrests;
- Capiz Police Provincial Office - 2;
- Negros Occidental Police Provincial Office – 5;
- Iloilo Police Provincial Office -4; and
- Bacolod City Police Office -1.

On the arrests of other wanted persons, below were contributions of the different units:

- Negros Occidental Police Provincial Office – 43;
- Iloilo Police Provincial Office – 16;
- Iloilo City Police Office – 8;
- Antique Police Provincial Office – 6;

- Capiz Police Provincial Office – 5;
- Bacolod City Police Office – 5;
- Aklan Police Provincial Office – 3;
- Guimaras Police Provincial Office – 3; and
- Regional Mobile Force Battalion 6 –1.

Police Regional Office 6 Director, Brigadier General Jack L Wanky, commended the dedication and hard work of the personnel and unit commanders across the region and the close participation of the community in the campaign.

“Congratulations to everyone whose collective effort resulted to these accomplishments. These results were made possible because of the support of the community and the dedication and patience of our personnel,” he added.

Of the units, Negros Occidental Police Provincial Office has the highest number of arrests with 48 or equivalent to 45.7 percent of the total arrest.

The recent week accomplishment is higher of 15 arrests compared to the first seven days of September 2024 with 95 arrests.

All the accused were turned over to the court concern.###

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