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CNY 2025 . . . (from page 1)

upcoming event, led by its President, Fr. Joseph Raymund Patrick Sanchez, SJ.

The said event will also be joined by other Filipino-Chinese schools including Iloilo Sun Yat Sen High School, Hua Siong College of Iloilo and Iloilo Scholastic Academy which will be showcasing their cultural dances with their vibrant props and costumes.

In a press conference, IFFI President Mr. Allan Ryan Tan highlighted the significance of the said celebration particularly to the contribution of Chinese community.

"We celebrate the Chinese New Year to showcase the contribution of Chinese community here in Iloilo in terms of progress and at the same time, the culture, the influence, the Chinese brought here in Iloilo City," Tan said.

Tan added that the said celebration is also an avenue to showcase that all the Chinese community in the city and the Filipino community can work together and live harmoniously.

"We are the first Chinese New Year celebration outside Metro Manila, so that's what Iloilo City is really proud of. We started this outside Metro Manila and right now it's our 21st year of celebrating this together," Tan added.

The activities for the CNY 2025 include:

* January 27, 2025 - Chinese New Year Launching Program at SM City Iloilo (3:00 PM)

* January 29, 2025 - Chinese New Year Thanksgiving Mass at Santa Maria Chinese-Filipino Parish (8:30 AM)

* January 30, 2025 - Cultural Show Rehearsals at Iloilo Freedom Grandstand (2:00 PM)

* January 31, 2025 - Chinese New Year Parade at Iznart Street to Iloilo Freedom Grandstand (4:00 PM)

* January 31, 2025 - Chinese New Year Cultural Show and Fireworks Display at Iloilo Freedom Grandstand

(6:00 PM)

* February 1, 2025 - Chinese New Year Mall Show by Hua Siong College of Iloilo at SM City Iloilo (3:00 PM)

* February 1, 2025 - Chinese New Year Closing Program at Festive Walk Iloilo (5:30 PM)

* February 2, 2025 - Chinese New Year Mall Show by Iloilo Sun Yat Sen High School (2:00 PM)

IFFI Chairman Rito Carlos "Judge" Peña also highlighted that the business sector in Iloilo City is considered the most important because 95% of the people in the said area composed of Chinese who had huge contribution in terms of city's development.

On the other hand, Fr. Sanchez also elaborated this year's theme in which to acknowledge that there is a divine being that blesses people and also highlighting the importance of gratitude.

"When we say "providence", we want to focus not really in prosperity but really the divine being that makes the prosperity possible," Sanchez said.

Sanchez emphasized that the Chinese New Year is a very good opportunity for the Ilonggos to give thanks for all the blessings in the past year and also to ask for more blessings for prosperity and he also reminded everyone not to forget the divine being that gives grace and provident which is a religious perspective.

IFFI's Liaison Officer Mr. Charlie Ho also added that the event will also be joined by Chinese organizations and family associations, along with the Filipino-Chinese firefighting volunteers from the Iloilo City Action Group (ICAG) and Federation Fire Brigade as well as ambulances to secure the public's safety during the CNY parade.

Meanwhile, IFFI also eyes to level up the celebration of Chinese New Year in the next years to come as a way of giving appreciation to the Chinese community.

HFMD . . . (from page 1)

determined if they manifest fever; rashes on hands, feet, or other body parts; and mouth ulcers which could lead to loss of appetite.

Hortinela also cited that the transfer of HFMD can be through the secretions of nasal mucus, saliva. She added that the transmission can be first detected at the mouth but not necessarily as it may vary and either can be detected in other body parts such as the hands or feet.

In addition, City Health Officer Dr. Annabelle Tang urged that schools should also enforce proper hygiene such as regular handwashing and monitor students for HFMD symptoms to prevent the spread of the disease.

The CHO stressed the significance of consulting health centers and reporting suspected HFMD cases for proper monitoring, urging private medical professionals to report cases for a better tracking.

Meanwhile, there were a total of 35 HFMD cases reported for the year 2024 within Iloilo City.

SUPREME . . . (from page 1)

provisions on non-impairment of contracts, due process, and equal protection, as well as existing laws safeguarding their exclusive rights under the National Electrification Administration (NEA) Decree and the Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001 (EPIRA).

However, the Supreme Court, in a decision penned by Associate Justice Rodil Zalameda, ruled that exclusive franchises are not constitutionally protected. The Court emphasized that public utilities must serve the public interest, and competition could improve services and lower electricity rates.

The decision reaffirmed the government's authority to prioritize public welfare over contractual obligations, citing the principle of police power as superior to property rights. The Court referenced its ruling in Carlos Superdrug Corp. vs. Department of Social Welfare and Development, where it held that even constitutionally protected rights could be regulated in the interest of the common good.

The Court also denied the intervention of the Philippine Rural Electric Cooperatives Association (PHILRECA), which argued that the expansion undermined the exclusive rights of electric cooperatives. The Court found



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Upgraded Teen Center facility now ready to serve San Dionisio youth

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The ruling underscores the government's commitment to fostering competition in the power sector, with lawmakers, including then-Senator Ralph Recto, advocating for competition as a means to address high electricity rates in Iloilo.

The decision solidifies MORE Power's entry into the expanded franchise areas, setting a legal precedent on the limitations of exclusive franchises in the public utilities sector. It also mandates the ILECOs to continue serving their existing consumers under EPIRA.

This landmark ruling marks a shift toward greater competition in Iloilo's power industry, with potential benefits for consumers, including improved services and reduced electricity costs.

R. Tubar Sr. National High School in San Dionisio.

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Joining him were Mayor Darwin Bajada, Provincial Population Office chief Atty. Ruel Von Superio, Anilao Mayor Lee Ann Debuque representing the League of Municipalities of the Philippines

(LMP-Iloilo), Schools Division Superintendent Dr. Ernesto Servillon Jr., Assistant Schools Division Superintendent Marlon Destreza, Public Schools District Supervisor Nanette E. Ledesma, Principal IV Engr. Isagani Jalandoni, Provincial Engineer Romeo Andig, and the municipal officials, among others.

Former fifth district congressmen Rolex Suplico and Niel "Junjun" Tupas Jr. also graced the event.

PPO Chief Atty. Superio said this innovation is

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FORECLOSURE NO. **F-11198-24**

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

BDO UNIBANK, INC., (formerly)
BANCO DE ORO UNIBANK, INC.),
Mortgagee,

-versus-

IRENE LYL CALIMPONG BACHAR
 represented by her Attorney-In-Fact,
LOVELL CALIMPONG PINUELA,
Debtor-Mortgagor.

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SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act No. 3135 as amended by Act No. 4118 filed by the **mortgagee BDO UNIBANK, INC., (formerly BANCO DE ORO UNIBANK, INC.),** a universal banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with office address at 33rd Floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, #12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City, Metro Manila, Philippines against **debtor/mortgagor IRENE LYL CALIMPONG BACHAR,** of legal age, Filipino citizen and with postal addresses at (1) Brgy. Pase, San Dionisio, Iloilo Province (2) Lot 50, Block 5, Lessandra C, Brgy. Jibao-an, Pavia, Iloilo represented by her Attorney-In-Fact, **Lovell Calimpong Pinuela** to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of November 29, 2024, amounted to **TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED ELEVEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED ELEVEN PESOS & 52/100 (P2,511,111.52),** Philippine Currency, exclusive of interest, penalties and other charges, plus attorney's fees, publication cost, Sheriff's legal expenses and other incidental expenses of foreclosure and auction sale, the **Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo or any of his lawful deputies** will sell at public auction on **MARCH 11, 2025** at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the **Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, G/F Chief Justice Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City,** to the **HIGHEST BIDDER,** for **CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency, the following real property, including buildings and all improvements found thereon, to wit

Registry of Deeds for Iloilo, Iloilo
Transfer Certificate of Title
No. 090-2023010471

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BARANGAY OF JIBAO-AN, MUN. OF PAVIA, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, bounded and described in follows:

LOT NO: 50 BLOCK NO: 5 PLAN NO: PCS-06-006618
PORTION OF: CONS. SUB. SURVEY OF
LOT 1862 AGONOA CAD. 8 & LOT
1848-A PSD-50114

LOCATION: BARANGAY JIBAO-AN, MUN. OF PAVIA,
PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY
 is registered in accordance with the provision of the Property Registration Decree in the name of **Owner: IRENE LYL CALIMPONG BACHAR, SINGLE,**
OF LEGAL AGE, FILIPINO
Address: BRGY. PASE, SAN DIONISIO, ILOILO
 X X X
AREA: ONE HUNDRED TWO (102) SQUARE METERS,
MORE OR LESS"

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned time and date in the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **MARCH 25, 2025** at the same time and place aforementioned without further notice.

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the above-described property and encumbrances existing thereon, if any there be. Let this Notice of Sale be published and posted in accordance with the provisions of law.

Iloilo City Philippines, **January 7, 2025.**

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

(SGD.) RITO RUEL A. CASTEN
 Sheriff IV/Sheriff-In-Charge

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FORECLOSURE NO. **F-11123-24**

FOR:

Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of
Real Estate Mortgage under
Act No. 3135 as amended by
Act No. 4118

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND
(otherwise known as Pag-IBIG FUND)
Mortgagee,

-versus-

BUTCH MICHAEL R. GARCIA III married
to CARMELA MARIE A. GARCIA
Debtors/ Mortgagees.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, as amended, filed by **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund)** a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 9679, with principal office at The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makali City, hereinafter referred to as **Mortgagee,** against **BUTCH MICHAEL R. GARCIA III married to CARMELA MARIE A. GARCIA,** both of legal age, Filipino citizens, with postal address at **180 7th St., Lawaan Village Subd., Balantang, Jaro, Iloilo City,** **BUTCH MICHAEL R. GARCIA III is herein represented by CARMELA MARIE A. GARCIA as his Attorney-in-Fact,** hereinafter referred to as **Debtor/s/Mortgagor/s,** to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **August 23, 2024** amounted to **ONE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOUR PESOS & 27/100 (P1,828,534.27),** Philippine Currency, inclusive of interests, and other charges, besides attorney's fee and other incidental expenses, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo and/or his duly authorized deputy Sheriff will **SELL at PUBLIC AUCTION on March 20, 2025,** at 10 o'clock in the morning at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, CJ Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice Building, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, to the **HIGHEST BIDDER** for **CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency, the real property with all the improvements found thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-161720

"A PARCEL OF LAND (Lot 15, Block 11, Pcs-06-004017 being a portion of Consolidation-Subdivision survey of Lots 2768-A & B, Psd-7975, 2775-B, Psd-33615, 2915 A, B, C, D, E and F, Psd-06-013317, 2935 A, B, C & D, Psd-06-010625, 3070-A-2, 3070-A-8, Psd-39374, 3070-C-1, Psd-06-007176, 3070-C-2-A & B, Psd-063022 - 026179, 3070-F, Psd-2451, 3098-A, Psd-16846,3098-B-1-B, Psd-063022-028735,3098-B-2,3,4,5 Psd-41357 all of Agonoa Cad. and Lots 2770, 2919, 2920 2921, 2926, 2927, 2928, 2936, 2937, 2938, 2939, 2940, 2942, 3094-A, Psd-06-008860, 3094-B-2, Psd-06-032581 all of Iloilo Cad.), situated in the Barangay Hibao-an, District of Mandurriao, City of Iloilo, Island of Panay. Bounded on the x-x-x-x-x-x-x. Containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FOUR (124) SQUARE METERS,** more or less

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-160744

A PARCEL OF LAND (Lot 16, Block 11. Pcs-06-004017 being a portion of Consolidation-Subdivision survey of Lots 2768-A & B, Psd-7975, 2775-B, Psd-336115, 2915-A, B, C, D, E and F, Psd-06-013317, 2935 A, B, C & D, Psd-06-010625, 3070-A-2-B, 2070-A-8, Psd-391374, 2070-C-1, Psd-06-007176, 2070-C-2-A & B, Psd-063022-026179, 3070-F, Psd-24151, 3098-A, Psd-168146,3098-B-1-B-1, Psd-063022-028735,3098-B-2,3,4,5 Psd-41357 all of Agonoa Cad. and Lots 2770, 2919, 2920, 2921, 2926, 2927, 2928, 2936, 2937, 2938, 2939, 2940, 2942, 3094-A, Psd-06-008860, 3094-B-2, Psd-06-032581 all of Iloilo Cad.), situated in the Barangay Hibao-an, District of Mandurriao, City of Iloilo, Island of Panay. Bounded on the x-x-x-x-x-x-x. Containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) 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 **April 10, 2025,** at the same time and place without further notice.

Iloilo City, Philippines, November 19, 2024.

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Sheriff-in-Charge

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

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Gov. Arthur Defensor Jr. warmly welcomed US Ambassador to the Philippines MaryKay Carlson during her courtesy visit at the Iloilo Provincial Capitol on January 18, 2025. Governor Defensor discussed with the ambassador the desire of the province to expand its economic exchanges with the US, particularly in the area of Business Process Outsourcing, agriculture and service industry, and education. (Capitol photo)

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US-Iloilo to expand economic exchanges

BY MARY JOY CAVANAS

The Iloilo Provincial Government headed by Governor Arthur Defensor Jr. welcomed United States Ambassador to the Philippines MaryKay Carlson during her courtesy visit at the Iloilo Provincial Capitol last January 18.

Defensor and Carlson discussed plans to expand

economic exchanges between the US and Iloilo, focusing on agriculture, health, education, and Business Process Outsourcing (BPO).

The governor also shared his administration's focus on building growth centers and boosting the economy to attract more investments.

"We are very thankful
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'Rocky Mountain' homes

Approximately 800 of the country's richest and most influential business owners are facing the possibility of finding their "home sweet home" in Camp John Hay turn into Rocky Mountain homes if they are forced to renegotiate the lease or cost of ownership of their luxury cottages.

The BCDA already announced last week that the Supreme Court has stood by its decision for the John Hay Development Corp. (DEVCO) to return the property to the BCDA and for the BCDA to return the money of JH-DEVCO because both parties were in violation of contract.

The problem is that the SC decision, which has not been readily available to the public, was allegedly not as detailed in terms of how things are supposed to be done.

For instance, DEVCO had sold about 800 luxury cottages when they started the project and the 800 owners who represent the top corporations, CEOs-bosses and families were all buyers in good faith. JH-DEVCO was likewise a seller in good faith. So how do you tell the country's richest and powerful groups that they may be evicted or will now have to renegotiate with the BCDA?

Does the Supreme Court expect JH-DEVCO to return the investments of those homeowners, minus the years of use or ownership?

The BCDA has actually come out with newspaper ads advising the owners to contact the BCDA, obviously to be informed that there is now a new landlord and that the rent or lease or terms will have to change, and they better bring their fat check books or be ready to arrange bank transfers.

The second complication involves compensation for JH-DEVCO. Will the BCDA give back only the bid payment of JH-DEVCO or are they also bound by the SC decision to pay back all the expenses made by the corporation as they developed properties and hotels, etc? Will that include the refund to homeowners if JH-DEVCO has to return payment?

Third, where will BCDA get the money to give back JH-DEVCO, given that the BCDA is not exactly rolling in cash and receivables? Will the BCDA be required to make payment on the court's timetable or will it be a case of "pay when able?"

While all these headaches are swirling around, what the public has not heard are credible claims that certain people in government, particularly Malacañang, had a hand in the matter. Someone from Padre Faura confirmed what a friend from Baguio called as an unusual interest for the government to get back John Hay.

Exactly who in Malacañang has a special interest, and why, is now the subject of silent whispers. Is it simply a case of the government wanting to get a better deal or getting more? Will the renegotiation of 800 homes turn into a "networking opportunity" to win favor from the private sector? Or is there a group with a particular interest in the properties?

After the decision was handed down with finality, my sources claim that the BCDA was advised-instructed "by Malacañang" to issue eviction notices to the current owners of the luxury cottages. The idea, I presume, was to establish the government's claim as well as shake up the current owners to make them more amenable to the renegotiation.

Fortunately, the BCDA officials opted to follow proper protocol by issuing public notices before sending out eviction notices, which remains a touchy matter given the social status and legal standing of the 800 homeowners. The question now is, why was someone in Malacañang so hands on during the hearings at the Supreme Court and the post judgment actions of the BCDA?

Meanwhile, the decision of the Supreme Court and the can of worms the issue has opened leaves a serious tale of caution to would-be investors or buyers in government projects. In the Philippines, a simple change of government midway of your project can run you out of town or triple your cost or a 10-year court

battle to dislodge you.

You can be a seller or buyer in good faith but that is no legal guarantee of ownership. Contracts may stipulate the government's obligation, but all the delay and consequential cost of money or lost opportunities will force you to undertake the government's obligation. You could be well on your way when suddenly some mayor says stop because his campaign contributor asked him to realign a road, a highway or MRT nearer to his project.

Sadly, you cannot rely on the justice system either.

While studying the matter, I came to realize that unless you are the only game and player in town, working with government is as risky as playing in the casino or fighting in the cockpit.

While we all grew up believing that justice is done with eyes blindfolded, it is not necessarily inviolable for those in robes. They too are human, dependent or subject to a process designed by politicians and jurors and buttered by utang na loob or political pressure.

Starting from becoming a fiscal, an RTC judge, the Court of Appeals, a justice in the Supreme Court, all the way to Chief Justice, the procession to the halls and pillars require soliciting favor to get a seat, have a sala, endorsements, political backing, being part of a church, a cult or a fraternity to get the votes and ultimately the presidential signature.

Yes, they are men and women of merit, men and women of laws, but in the face of human reality, they too are subject to pressure. Their budgets are dependent on members of Congress, and in a nation fueled by "pakikisama," sometimes holding up the scales of justice becomes a burden and the balance tilts for those in power.

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Cito Beltran



Breakup year

The year 2024 will be remembered in our country for three things in politics in government. The first is the breakup of the UniTeam – unexpected only because it happened so soon.

The collapse of the 2022 winning coalition led to the second significant event – remarkable mainly because it would have been unthinkable in the previous administration: the Dutertes' loss of invincibility.

Scrutiny of fund utilization by the Dutertes led to the third noteworthy development of the year: heightened public awareness of the budgeting process and priorities of the Marcos administration and its allies.

BBM refused to return the budget bill to a reconvened bicameral conference, probably believing it would be an exercise in futility, with the "pork"-hungry epal lawmakers digging in their heels in an election year.

As the year ended, the fourth quarter survey of reputable pollster Social Weather Stations Inc. showed both President Marcos and Vice President Sara Duterte continuing to suffer declines in their trust ratings.

The question for the new year is what people are going to do about such developments.

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With the UniTeam breakup, will a third force emerge as a viable alternative, putting an end to the kakistoracy that has been inflicted on our land? The online description of a kakistoracy is a government "run by the worst, least qualified or most unscrupulous citizens."

Such an alternative may not emerge in time for the 2025 midterm polls, but it can be possible in 2028. Black swans are common in our leadership changes.

Testimonies at the quad comm could lead to the indictment of former president Rodrigo Duterte and his minions for crimes against humanity committed in his take-no-prisoners crackdown on illegal drugs.

The Department of Justice (DOJ) itself is finally looking into possible indictments not just for individual extrajudicial killings in the drug war, but interlinking EJKs and an alleged quota and reward system for drug kills.

This could lead to prosecution not just for multiple murder, but for violation of Republic Act 9851, the law against genocide and other crimes against humanitarian law. RA 9851 was enacted way back in 2009, but as far as I know, it has been applied only once, in a case in

Mindanao.

One complication is that the DOJ probe could be used by the Duterte camp in invoking complementarity to suspend the probe by the International Criminal Court, now in its final stages before arrest warrants are issued. Considering the malleability of Philippine justice, it's uncertain if Duterte and his minions would ever face punishment in our country for a crackdown that they say they would do again, if given the chance.

The quad comm probe also led to the demise of another Duterte pet project, the Philippine offshore gaming operations. Beginning today, all POGOs and their local copycat, the internet gaming licensee, can no longer operate.

Meanwhile, 2024 looked like annus horribilis for VP Sara, but 2025 could prove worse. That is if she is impeached, although this seems uncertain at this point, given the tight window before the midterm elections in May, and the House reportedly waiting for a fourth complaint before consolidating the charges and voting on them.

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As for the 2025 budget for pork and patronage (not progress), BBM made some token line item vetoes, but retained the funding priorities of his congressional allies. Meaning, lower appropriations for health, education, agriculture, social welfare, the conditional cash transfer and the Armed Forces modernization program, among others.

The P288.6 billion added by the bicam to the Department of Public Works and Highways' P825.11 billion budget in the National Expenditure Program (NEP) was slashed by BBM by a measly P26 billion – just enough to lower the total P1.1 trillion DPWH funding to a level slightly below the allocation for the entire education sector. This is the part that fulfills the Palace promise of making the 2025 compliant with the Constitution.

Officials said implementation of the projects under that additional P288.6 billion would be "conditional" – whatever that means.

The massive increase in the new pork barrel, the unprogrammed operations, also had a token cut. The conditional cash transfer funding was slashed by P50 billion by the bicam, while the unconditional cash transfer called AKAP, wherein politicians take personal credit for

giving away our tax money, was retained.

Officials announced that

disbursement of the Ayuda para sa Kapos ang Kita would have a layer of oversight, by the Department of Labor and Employment and the National Economic and Development Authority. Good luck to DOLE chief Bienvenido Laguesma and NEDA head Arsenio Balisacan in trying to get politicians' snouts off the AKAP trough.

After the budget enactment at Malacañang, the designated explainer, chief justice-turned-Executive Secretary Lucas Bersamin, expressed confidence that the measure would stand up to any challenge that might be brought before the Supreme Court.

Administration officials had said Congress exercised its power of the purse, and BBM had limited power to moderate the congressional greed.

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There is in fact something that the executive can do, to show who is the ultimate holder of the power of the purse: Malacañang can delay until after the elections the release of AKAP payouts, funding for unprogrammed pork appropriations and the DPWH projects that are not in the NEP submitted by the executive branch.

Gloria Macapagal Arroyo, during her presidency, wielded this executive power of the purse extensively, to bend Congress to her will.

If BBM allows the release ASAP of these questionable funds, in time for the election campaign, all the Palace sound and fury over the mangling of the 2025 national budget would signify nothing. BBM will just be another actor in the zarzuela of plunder that was foisted upon the Filipino people, complicit in the impounding of public funds for personal and partisan purposes.

On Rizal Day, BBM urged Filipinos to be catalysts for change. He should lead by example.

There are actions that can help correct the ills and make our country a better place. We can all play a role in this, building on the significant developments in the year just past.

May 2025 be a year of meaningful change for all!

Sketches

Ana Marie Pamintuan



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 Debtor-Mortgagor

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Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135 as amended by Act No. 4118 filed by the mortgagee **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND OR PAG-IBIG FUND**, a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 9679 with principal office at The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, Philippines, herein represented by **Wilmer B. Lirazan**, Department Manager III, Bacolod Housing Business Center, with business address at 2nd Flr., Gaisano Grand Bacolod Mall, Araneta St., Singang, Bacolod City, against *debtor-mortgagor* **DAISYRIE LOVE MARANON APASO**, single, of legal age, Filipino citizen, with postal address/es at Zone 1, Calumpang, Molo, Iloilo City and/or Lot 21, Block 35, DECA Homes Pavia Resort Residences, Brgy. Pandac/Jibao-an, Pavia, Iloilo to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **August 30, 2024** amounted to **ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED TWENTY THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY PESOS & 05/100 (P1,223,360.05)**, Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest, penalties and other charges, plus attorney's fees, publication cost, Sheriff's legal expenses and other incidental expenses of foreclosure and auction sale, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo or any of his lawful deputies will sell at public auction on **FEBRUARY 12, 2025** at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Chief Justice Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, to the **HIGHEST BIDDER**, for **CASH** or **MANAGER'S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency, the following real property including buildings and all improvements found thereon, to wit:

Registry of Deeds for Iloilo, Iloilo
Transfer Certificate of Title
No. 090-2020009270

"IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED certain land situated in BARANGAY OF PANDAC/JIBAO-AN, MUNICIPALITY OF PAVIA, PROVINCE OF ILOILO ISLAND OF PANAY, bounded and described as follows:

LOT NO: 21 BLOCK NO. 35 PLAN NO: PCS-06-006502
 PORTION OF: CONS/SUBD. OF LOT 1789, LOT 1804, LOT 1805, LOT 1806, LOT 1813, LOT 1815, LOT 1816, LOT 1817, LOT 1818, LOT 1821, LOT 1822, LOT 1823, LOT 1828, LOT 1829, LOT 1789, LOT 1833, LOT 1790, LOT 1834,
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is registered in accordance with the provision of the Property Registration Decree in the name of

Owner: DAISYRIE LOVE M. APASO,
SINGLE, OF LEGAL AGE, FILIPINO
Address: ZONE 1, CALUMPANG, MOLO,
ILOILO CITY
AREA: EIGHTY TWO SQUARE METERS
(82) MORE OR LESS"

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned time and date. In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **FEBRUARY 26, 2025** at the same time and place aforementioned without further notice.

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the above-described property and encumbrances existing thereon, if any there be. Let this Notice of Sale be published and posted in accordance with the provisions of law.

Iloilo City Philippines, December 4, 2024.

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

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for the visit of Her Excellency here in Iloilo and we really look forward to it, we'll take this opportunity to further develop our exchanges with the United States of America," Defensor said.

In addition, Ambassador Carlson said that the US has many rich ties with Western Visayas in terms of energy, nutrition, agriculture, and investments which will benefit the region and the province.

Carlson said her visit to Iloilo was to discuss areas of cooperation between the United States and the people of Iloilo.

"We discussed with the governor any ways to attract more United States businesses here and ways that will promote our partnership and prosperity that will benefit both of our countries," Carlson said.

Carlson emphasized that Iloilo and the US are strong partners and allies, highlighting their ties and plans in education.

Meanwhile, the US ambassador also expressed her gratitude to Defensor for the province's warm welcome and hospitality during her stay in Iloilo.

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anchored on the development mantra of Governor Defensor known as MoRProGRes Iloilo or a Movement for a Robust, Progressive, Globally Competitive and Resilient Province of Iloilo.

"This youth development initiative of the Iloilo provincial government under the leadership of Governor Defensor aims to create an enabling environment for young people for their social, ethical, physical, emotional, and cognitive competencies," Atty. Superio said.

Governor Defensor said the facility will serve as an extension of the students' home that offers recreational programs for youth development.

"Your Iloilo provincial government is not only interested in your education but we are also interested in the development of your social life as part of youth development," the governor said.

The Nicos KaTEENLingban Teen Center 2.0 is the first teen center infrastructure project to be inaugurated. The Teen Center 2.0 project is an upgrade to the existing program of the province which only provides equipment to school-based teen centers.

Eleven schools were identified as pilot recipients of the project, including the biggest one which is at the Iloilo National High School. Five, including the facility in San Dionisio, were already completed while the six are still being constructed. (Capitol news)

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Ginapahibalo ang tanan nga sa **PEBRERO 1, 2025** pagahiwaton ang baligyaanay sang mga alahas kag pagkabutang nga wala magawad nga sa diin ang mga plasos nga ginkasugtan natapos na.

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Non-professional drivers may have their licenses suspended or revoked, while professional drivers face immediate revocation.

Drivers are considered under the influence if their blood alcohol content exceeds .05 percent for private vehicles or any detectable amount for trucks, buses, and public transport.

Geduspan said nationwide drunk driving-related fatalities have reached 12,000 annually. (PNA)

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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11201-24

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

BDO UNIBANK, INCORPORATED (formerly BANCO DE ORO UNIBANK, INC.),
 Mortgagee,

-versus-

SPOUSES RONALD PERELA ROA and JUNELIE COLEGADO ROA, as represented by their Attorney-in-Fact ROSALYN ROA PERUCHO.
Debtors-Mortgagors.

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SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135 as amended by Act No. 4118 filed by the mortgagee **BDO UNIBANK, INC., (formerly BANCO DE ORO UNIBANK, INC.)**, a universal banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with office address at 33rd Floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, #12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City, Metro Manila, Philippines against *debtors/mortgagors* **SPOUSES RONALD PERELA ROA and JUNELIE COLEGADO ROA**, both of legal age, Filipinos, with postal addresses at (1) Imperial Homes IV, De Leon St. Mandurriao, Iloilo City, Iloilo (2) Lot 17, Bik 8 along Road 8 Savannah Glen D Subdivision, Brgy. Abilay Norte, Oton, Iloilo 5020 represented by her Attorney-In- Fact, **ROSALYN ROA PERUCHO** to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of November 20, 2024, amounted to **TWO MILLION SIX HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND EIGHTY THREE PESOS & 59/100 (P2,606,083.59)**, Philippine Currency, exclusive of interest, penalties and other charges, plus attorney's fees, publication cost, Sheriff's legal expenses and other incidental expenses of foreclosure and auction sale, the **Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo or any of his lawful deputies** will sell at public auction on **MARCH 11, 2025** at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the **Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, G/F Chief Justice Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, to the HIGHEST BIDDER**, for **CASH** or **MANAGER'S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency, the following real property, including buildings and all improvements found thereon, to wit:

Registry of Deeds for Iloilo, Iloilo
Transfer Certificate of Title No. 090-2018012330

"A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 17, Block 8, PCS-06-004424, BEING A CONS.-SUBD. OF LOT 3781, AGONOA CAD. 8 LOTS 4435-A, 4435-B, BSD-063034-002442 (OLT), LOTS 3786-A, 3788-B, BSD-063034-002443 (OLT) LOTS 3786-A, 3786-B, 3786-C, 3786-D, 3786-E, BSD-063034-002389 (OLT), SITUATED IN THE BRGY. OF ABILAY NORTE, MUN. OF OTON, PROV. OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY. BOUNDED ON THE SE, ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 21, ALONG LINES 2-3 BY LOT 20; ON THE SW., ALONG LINE 3-4 BY LOT 18; ON THE NW., ALONG LINES 4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13 BY LOT ROAD LOT 8; ON THE NE., ALONG LINES 13-1 BY LOT 16, ALL OF THIS SUBD. SURVEY. X X X

is registered in accordance with the provision of the Property Registration Decree in the name of **Owner: SPOUSES RONALD PERELA ROA AND JUNELIE COLEGADO ROA BOTH OF LEGAL AGE, FILIPINOS**
Address: IMPERIAL HOMES III, MANDURRIAIO, ILOILO CITY, PHILIPPINES
AREA: ONE HUNDRED FORTY TWO (142) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS"

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned time and date. In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **MARCH 25, 2025** at the same time and place aforementioned without further notice.

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the above-described property and encumbrances existing thereon, if any there be. Let this Notice of Sale be published and posted in accordance with the provisions of law.

Iloilo City, Philippines, **January 7, 2025.**

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

(SGD.) RITO RUEL A. CASTEN
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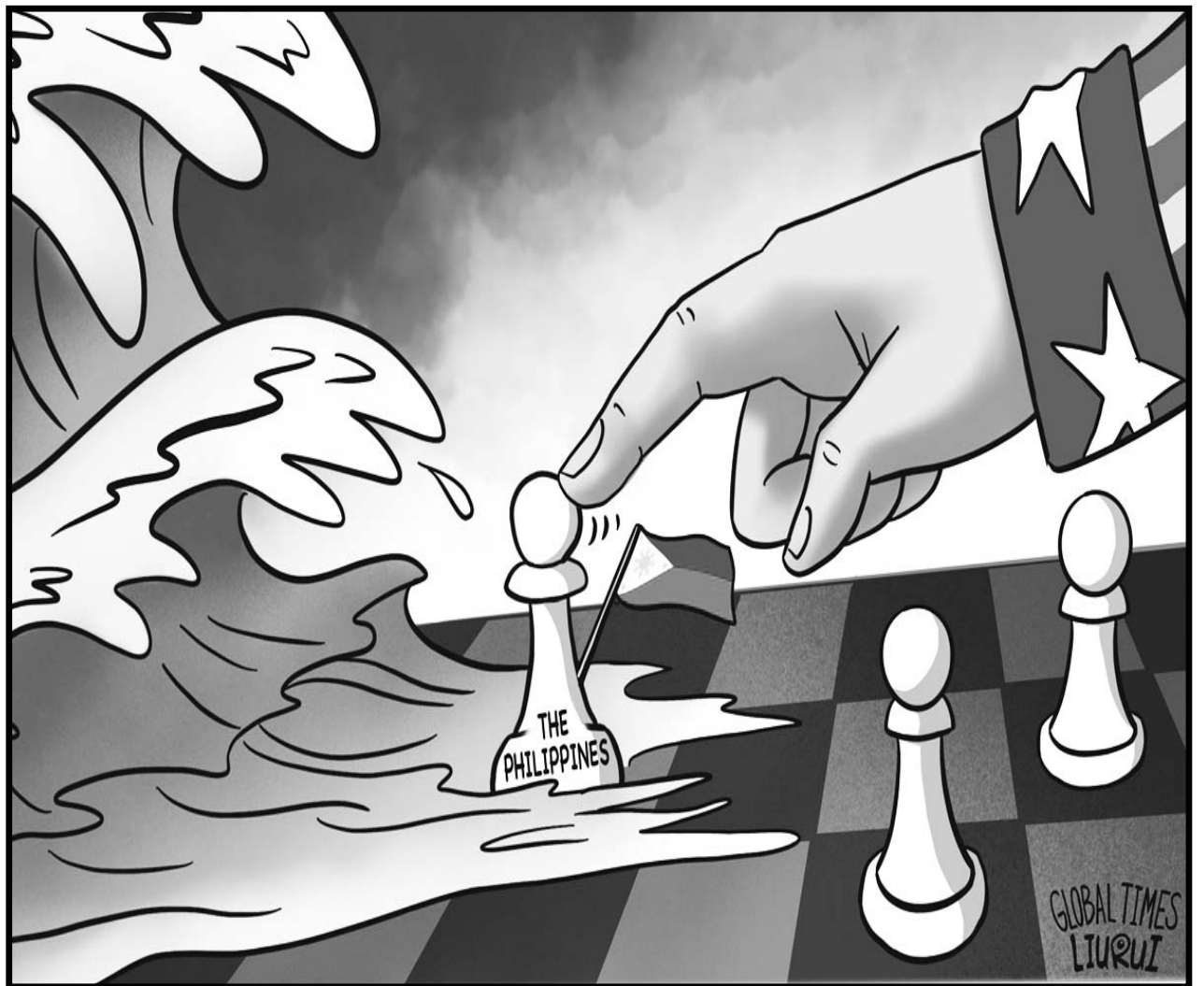
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Increased patrols and exercises have lately surged in the Palawan area, well within the country's 200-mile exclusive economic zone.

Last weekend, the United States deployed a carrier strike group from the Indo-Pacific Command to the West Philippine Sea to conduct the first Maritime Cooperative Activity of 2025 with Filipino forces.

Officials said the activity on Jan. 17-18 included the guided missile frigate BRP Antonio Luna, the offshore patrol vessel BRP Andres Bonifacio, two FA50 fighter aircraft, and Philippine Air Force Search and Rescue assets.

Backing up the Filipino forces was a US aircraft carrier strike group centered around the USS Carl Vinson and its air group, escorted by the guided missile cruiser USS Princeton, destroyer USS Sterett, an MH-60 Seahawk helicopter, a V-22 Osprey helicopter, and two F/A-18 Super Hornet fighter bombers.

The two militaries conducted a Communications Check Exercise, Division Tactics/Officer of the Watch maneuver, a Photo Exercise, and Dissimilar Aircraft Combat Training, according to a news release from the Armed Forces of the Philippines.

Beyond the 2025 PH-US maritime activity

Editorial

The maritime cooperative activities demonstrate a "collective commitment to strengthening regional and international cooperation in support of a free and open Indo-Pacific," according to a news release by the US Navy.

China has responded to such activities between the two treaty allies in the South China Sea by increasing its patrols and exercises in the area, expressing the line the Philippines should adapt to this process.

Coincidentally, the first joint drills of 2025 took place only three days before Donald Trump, who has spoken little about the region as president-elect, returns to the White House which he occupied for four years from Jan. 2017.

The 78-year-old Trump has spoken to President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. via phone call and has met with the President's cousin, Philippine ambassador to the US Babes Romualdez, in person.

Certainly, there will be many phrasal verbs and

ripples from the increasing drills and exercises near the strategic international sea lane in the South China Sea.

What is concerning is the often intrusion of Chinese vessels, including Beijing's Coast Guard, in the West Philippine Sea, which clearly violates Philippines territory.

Washington has been on the right sail with its freedom of navigation operations in the South China Sea, while expressing support for an agreement on a binding code of conduct in the region, and expressing it will do what is necessary to assist the Philippines in the tension-filled South China Sea.

The activities in the West Philippine Sea are certain to have ripples as well in the Southeast Asian region, with the Philippines' co-member countries in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations keenly keeping their guard, and in East Asia, where China and the United States are astutely watching each other from the different wheelhouses of their ships.

Prioritizing safety

With the 19th Congress nearing its conclusion, the urgency of passing much-needed legislation to regulate the motorcycle (MC) taxi industry is once again put in the spotlight given the industry's role as a lifeline to thousands of Filipinos—motorists and passengers alike.

As the Senate continues to deliberate on this matter, it is timely and crucial to highlight that passenger safety and the welfare of riders should be prioritized in regulatory discussions. Motorcycle taxis have rapidly increased on our public roads in recent years as an alternative solution to traffic woes and gaps in public transportation.

However, as with any quickly expanding industry, the growth of the MC taxi industry shows the heightened responsibility to ensure that safety standards are upheld and met for all stakeholders—passengers and riders alike.

For instance, during Senate deliberations on this matter, the issue of riders lacking the necessary professional licenses onboarded by a certain company was discussed—underscoring the need for stricter regulation and more rigorous screening. The Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB) has since issued a warning to ride-hailing platform Angkas for allegedly onboarding some 100 riders lacking a professional driver's license.

A study by the International Transport Forum further highlighted the safety risks of motorcycle taxis, with

data showing that nearly half of the fatalities caused by road accidents in Metro Manila in 2022 involved motorcycle riders.

Reports such as these only highlight the pressing need to regulate the MC taxi industry for the benefit of both passengers and riders alike. Our lawmakers and the LTFRB should immediately address gaps in the regulation of the MC industry to ensure that only qualified drivers are allowed to ferry passengers and that ride-hailing platforms are held responsible for upholding proper labor and safety standards.

It is incumbent upon all ride-hailing platforms—including MC taxi companies—to check that their hired riders are equipped with proper professional licenses and provide appropriate safety training. Further, these companies should be strictly regulated to ensure adherence to labor standards so that riders are fairly treated and compensated.

Strict penalties should be implemented not only for riders with infractions but also for ride-hailing platforms that violate labor rules and allow unsafe practices.

The urgency of a regulatory framework for this cannot be overemphasized given the economic contributions of the transport network vehicle service (TNVS) sector—of which MC taxis form part. A 2023 study conducted by the Center for Research and Communication of the University of Asia & the Pacific showed that the TNVS and delivery sector contributed around PHP37 billion to PHP165.6 billion

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By JOE ZALDARRIAGA

to the country's gross domestic product (GDP) from 2019 to 2021.

To ensure that the MC taxi industry continues to contribute to our economy, our legislators and the LTFRB clearly need to work together to create a regulatory environment that empowers and ensures the welfare of all stakeholders—passengers, riders, and ride-hailing platforms. Such a regulatory framework should safeguard passenger safety, ensure the welfare of riders, and preserve the economic contributions of the MC taxi industry to our country's transportation sector.

Filipino commuters—the majority of whom are hardworking citizens—deserve nothing less than safe, affordable, and comfortable transportation options. Our government is responsible for providing an enabling environment for this.

And with more Filipinos using motorcycle taxis as an alternative transportation option, the government needs to ensure that this industry operates safely and responsibly. Only through strict enforcement of safety standards and labor rules can the MC taxi industry continue to become an active contributor to the economy in a way that serves the best interest of all stakeholders.

Blue Mondays

Last Monday, some of you may have seen some posts about Blue Mondays on your social media feeds. What is a Blue Monday? Typically commemorated in Western countries, Blue Monday is a day to acknowledge and address sadness and depression. Blue Monday is observed on the third Monday in January which fell on the 20th of this year.

Some actually claim that there is a scientific basis for Blue Mondays. They say that there is formula that takes into consideration such things as weather conditions (western winter), lower ability to buy things due to having spent too much during the holidays, a need to take action on resolutions, and general low motivational levels. Although many debunk this supposed formula, many people still adhere to the concept of a day dedicated to understanding and dealing with melancholy or even depression. Coincidentally, President Donald Trump's inauguration falls on Blue Monday which some critics find ironical.

help sell holiday travel packages. It has since been popularized by companies and now online denizens to promote one thing or another. Technically, Blue Mondays apply to places that experience winter where extreme cold actually induce depression. Like many things western, the concept of Blue Mondays has been now embraced by people living in tropical countries like the Philippines. Here in our country the concept of Blue Monday is tied into post-holiday and back to work blues.

Proponents of Blue Mondays say that being able to name the pervasive feeling of post-holiday sadness allows people to feel a sense of community and validation of shared experiences. They also point out that Blue Mondays allows discussions on how to deal with depression using various self-help techniques. Unfortunately, when these self-help techniques fail then it may be time to seek professional help for a deeper mental or emotional problem.

Blue Mondays actually started as a PR gimmick to

Critics of the idea of Blue Mondays or a most

OBLIQUE OBSERVATIONS

By Atty. Gilberto Lauengco, J.D.

depressing day of the year say that this is just a myth and a marketing tool to sell all types of products or services that would drive the so-called blues away. They also say that the idea of a Blue Monday promotes pessimism and may induce a self-fulfilling prophecy.

I believe that no one can really tell us whether a day will turn out good or bad. Unless they have a time machine of sorts. As such, setting up negative expectations for a day seems to be a bad idea. I also don't like the idea of marketing people using the concept of depression as a way to drive sales up for travel and "happiness" products and services. Perhaps, making Blue Mondays as a time for reflection and introspection would be a better idea.

This is my oblique observation.

Poverty, employment in PH – Unpacking the contradiction

In a nation boasting one of the lowest unemployment rates in recent years, the rise of self-rated poverty to record-breaking levels presents a perplexing paradox. This is the reality the Philippines faces today. Recent data from two reputable sources—the Social Weather Stations (SWS) and the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)—underscore this striking contradiction, demanding closer examination and analysis.

Self-rated poverty, as reported by the SWS, surged to 63 percent in December 2024, marking the highest level since November 2003, which recorded 64 percent. For the entire year, the average self-rated poverty was 57 percent, a level not seen in over two decades. This data indicates that more than half of Filipino families perceive themselves as poor, raising alarms about the broader socioeconomic conditions in the country.

In contrast, the PSA reported a drop in the unemployment rate to 3.2 percent in November 2024, down from 3.9 percent in October. This translates to 1.66 million unemployed individuals, a significant decline from the previous month's 1.97 million. The numbers suggest a robust job market, theoretically providing stability and a pathway out of poverty for Filipino workers.

However, the contradiction between high self-rated poverty and low unemployment highlights deeper systemic issues that employment statistics alone cannot capture.

The government classifies employed individuals into four categories: wage and salary workers, self-employed without any paid employees, employers in their own family-operated farms or businesses, and unpaid family workers.

Wage and salary workers are individuals employed in private households, private establishments, government agencies, or government-controlled corporations, or those earning a wage in their own family-operated farm or business. This category includes members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), Philippine National Police (PNP), Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP), and Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), making the government the largest employer in the country.

Workers in private households comprise maids/domestic helpers, cooks, gardeners, drivers, and similar roles. For instance, domestic helpers are entitled to a minimum monthly salary of PHP6,000. On April 1, 2024, the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) raised the minimum wage for household workers in Central Luzon to PHP6,000, benefiting approximately 126,000 domestic workers, or kasambahay. A similar adjustment took effect in Eastern Visayas on Dec. 2, 2024, benefiting 57,080

domestic helpers.

The self-employed category includes individuals running small businesses such as sari-sari stores, balut and cigarette vendors, padyak drivers, ambulant vendors, and similar occupations. Family-operated farms or businesses, like larger sari-sari store owners, often employ one or two underpaid workers.

Unpaid family workers refer to individuals, such as farmers and their family members, who assist on farms without receiving monetary compensation. This group also includes family members helping to manage sari-sari stores or small family businesses without remuneration for their labor.

It is important to note that these figures do not account for underemployment. As of September 2023, the underemployment rate—representing employed individuals seeking additional work or longer hours—rose to 11.9 percent from 10.7 percent, affecting approximately 5.94 million people.

The characteristic of Philippine employment is that while more Filipinos are technically employed, many are underemployed, working jobs that offer meager wages, lack security, or provide limited hours. The prevalence of informal sector work, where benefits and fair compensation are often absent, exacerbates this issue. Thus, employment does not necessarily equate to financial stability or improved living conditions.

The minimum wage in the Philippines is insufficient to meet the basic expenses of families. In the National Capital Region (NCR), the daily minimum wage is set at PHP645 for the non-agriculture sector and PHP608 for agriculture, service, or retail establishments with 15 or fewer employees, as well as manufacturing companies with fewer than 10 employees.

Wages are significantly lower in other regions. For instance, the minimum daily wage in the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) is PHP470, while in Mimaropa, it ranges from PHP404 to PHP430.

The Ibon Foundation, an economic think tank, has advocated for a family living wage in the Philippines to address the economic needs of Filipino families. The family living wage refers to the income necessary to cover the cost of living, including all essential food and non-food expenses, with sufficient allowance for savings and investments to ensure social security.

As of December 2024, the Ibon Foundation reported that a family of five in the National Capital Region (NCR) requires a daily wage of PHP1,223 or PHP26,590 per month. The estimated daily living wage is slightly higher in other regions, at PHP1,227

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BY BRIAN JAMES LU

in the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) and PHP1,231 in Mimaropa. It is crucial for families to meet their daily needs and manage household expenses, including education, healthcare, and other essential requirements, without solely relying on government aid or ayuda, on which many families have become dependent.

The escalating costs of basic goods and services, which have outpaced wage growth for many households, also contribute to poverty. Even with employment, families struggle to meet their daily needs due to inflation, which erodes purchasing power. This disconnect between income and expenses fosters a perception of poverty despite job gains.

The country also unevenly distributes economic opportunities. Urban areas may enjoy better employment rates and higher wages, while rural communities often face limited job prospects and lower earnings. The national unemployment rate may mask these regional inequalities, leaving rural families more vulnerable to poverty.

Self-rated poverty may reflect subjective assessments of well-being, influenced by cultural expectations, aspirations, and relative comparisons. Even with employment, families may feel poor if they cannot afford what they perceive as basic necessities or if their living standards fall short of societal norms.

Addressing this paradox requires a multifaceted approach. Beyond reducing unemployment, the government must focus on creating high-quality, well-paying jobs, particularly in industries that can absorb a large labor force, such as manufacturing and agriculture. Expanding access to social safety nets, such as health insurance, education subsidies, and housing programs, can help bridge the gap between employment and financial security. Stabilizing prices through targeted interventions, such as subsidies for essential goods and services, can alleviate the financial burden on families. Investing in rural development, infrastructure, and local industries can mitigate regional disparities and promote a more equitable distribution of economic gains.

The coexistence of low unemployment and high self-rated poverty in the Philippines underscores the complexity of economic well-being. Employment alone is not a panacea for poverty; the quality of jobs, the cost of living, and broader systemic issues play equally crucial roles. Policymakers must adopt a holistic approach to address these challenges and create a society where employment genuinely translates to prosperity for all Filipinos.

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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11183-24

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

UNION BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES,
Mortgagee,

-versus-

**FARISAH R. SADAN and
JEAN ROY T. PORRAS,**
Debtors/Mortgagors

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, as amended, filed by the **UNION BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES**, a banking institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Philippines, with principal office address at the Union Bank Plaza Building, Meralco Avenue corner Onyx and Sapphire Roads, Ortigas Center, Pasig City, Metro Manila, hereinafter referred to as **Mortgagee**, against **FARISAH R. SADAN** and **JEAN ROY T. PORRAS**, both single, Filipinos and of legal age, with residence and postal addresses at 1) Brgy. Kanibong, Municipality of Tulunan, North Cotabato; 2) Brgy. San Isidro, Jaro, Iloilo City; and 3) Lot 14, Block 6, Lessandra Anne, Jibao-an, Pavia, Iloilo, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as **Mortgagors**, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **October 31, 2024** amounted to **ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY PESOS and THIRTEEN CENTAVOS (Php1,155,780.13)**, Philippine Currency, inclusive of accrued interest and other charges, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo and/or his duly authorized deputy Sheriff will SELL at Public Auction on **FEBRUARY 20, 2025**, at 10 o'clock in the morning at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, CJ Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice, Iloilo City, to the HIGHEST BIDDER for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK and in Philippine Currency, the real property with all the improvements found thereon, to wit:

**TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE
NO. 090-2022008134**

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in Barangay of Jibao-an, Municipality of Pavia Province of Iloilo, Island of Panay, bounded and described as follows:

**LOT NO: 14 BLOCK NO: 06 PLAN NO: PSD-06-085434
PORTION OF: LOT 1850, AGONDA CAD. 8;
AREA: FORTY SQUARE METERS (40), 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 **MARCH 16, 2025**, at the same time and place without further notice.

Iloilo City, Philippines, December 11, 2024.

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

(SGD.) MARK EMMANUEL D. DELMO
Sheriff IV

NE/January 13, 20 & 27, 2025

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DESIGNER, CONSULTANT, CONTRACTOR

ENGR. JOMARIE A. ARIB, Ph.D., PME, ASEAN
General Manager / Inventor

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
6th JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 76
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EJF Case No. 24-29

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

**RURAL BANK OF CABATUAN
(ILOILO) INC.,**
Mortgagee/s,

-versus-

**NELIA N. ARDIENTE-Atty.-in-Fact
Leona Marcon Navio married to
Heracleo Navio**
Debtors/Mortgagor/s.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon petition for extrajudicial foreclosure under Act 3135 filed by the **RURAL BANK OF CABATUAN (ILOILO) INC.** against **NELIA N. ARDIENTE-Atty.-in-Fact Leona Marcon Navio** married to **Heracleo Navio** to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which, as October 03, 2024 amounts to **ONE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTYSEVEN and 91/100 pesos (P1,428,517.91)** only, the undersigned Deputy Sheriff will sell at public auction on **March 11, 2025** 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 property with all its improvements, to wit:

**TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF
TITLE NO. (T-225671)
090-2013001473**

A parcel of land (Lot 1197-B-10, PSD-06-07-8339, being a portion of Lot 1197-B, PSD-67036), situated in the Barangay of Amirang, Municipality of Cabatuan, Province of Iloilo, Island of Panay. Bounded on the SW., along line 1-2 by Lot 1197-B-9; on the NW., along line 2-3 Lot 1197-B-11; on the NE., along line 3-4 by Lot 1197-B-12; on the SE., along line 4-1 by Lot 1197-B-5 all of this subd. survey., beginning at a point marked "1" on plan, being S. 89 Deg. 13'W., 443.22 m. from BBM No. 98, Cabatuan Cad. 261,

Thence N.	26 deg.	50' W.,	44.26 m. to point 2;
Thence N.	83 deg.	54' E.,	49.83 m. to point 3;
Thence S.	10 deg.	24' E.,	9.03 m. to point 4;
Thence S.	41 deg.	00' W.,	47.56 m. to point 1;
To point of beginning.			

Containing an area of **one thousand one hundred ninety-nine (1,199) square meters, more or less.**

Owner: **Leona Marcon Navio, married to Heracleo Navio, of legal age, Filipino.**

Address: **Cabatuan, Iloilo, Philippines**

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 **April 08, 2025**, at 10:00 AM, without further notice.

Janiuay, Iloilo, Philippines, December 19, 2024.

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

(SGD.) CARLO M. YAP
Sheriff IV

NE/January 13, 20 & 27, 2025



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
(033) 3353190/rtc1iloocc@judiciary.gov.ph

EJF NO. F-11190-24

For:

**EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF
REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER
ACT 3135 as AMENDED**

BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS
(successor-in-interest of **BPI FAMILY
SAVINGS BANK, INC.**),
Mortgagee,

-versus-

**SARAH DEAN M. SIBONGA,
SANY DAE S. SILAO,
MARK ANTHONY G. SILAO,** herein
represented by **SONIA M. SIBONGA** as
their true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact,
Mortgagors.

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RE-NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Petition for Extra-Judicial Sale under Act 3135, as amended, filed by **BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS** (successor-in-interest of **BPI FAMILY SAVINGS BANK, INC.**), a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Philippines, with principal office Tower One, Ayala North Exchange, 6796 Ayala Avenue corner Salcedo St., Legaspi Village, Makati City, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as **Mortgagee**, against **SARAH DEAN M. SIBONGA, SANY DAE S. SILAO, MARK ANTHONY G. SILAO**, herein represented by **SONIA M. SIBONGA**, as their true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact of legal age, Filipinos, with residence and postal address at Brgy. Balabag, Pavia, Iloilo, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as **Mortgagors**, for the satisfaction of the mortgage indebtedness which as of **November 22, 2024** amounted to **THREE HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT PESOS and SEVENTY TWO CENTAVOS (Php302,138.72)** inclusive of interest, penalties and other charges, **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo and/or his duly authorized deputy Sheriff will SELL at PUBLIC AUCTION on **FEBRUARY 20, 2025**, at 10 O'clock in the morning at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Hall of Justice Building, Iloilo City, to the HIGHEST BIDDER for CASH or in Manager's Check and in Philippine Currency, the real property and the improvements therein, to wit:

**TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF
TITLE NO. 090-2023015366**

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that a certain land situated in Barangay of BALABAG MUNICIPALITY OF PAVIA, Province of Iloilo Island of Panay, bounded and described as follows:

LOT NO: 13 BLOCK NO: 8 PLAN NO: PCS-06-005457

**PORTION OF: CONSOLIDATION/SUBDIVISION OF
LOTS 567-F-4-B-1, 567-F- 4-B-2, 567-F-4-B-4, 567-F-4-
B-6 ALL OF (LRC) PSD-223306, LOTS 567-F-4-B- 5-A,
567-F-4-B-5-B BOTH OF PSD-06-001862, LOT 567-R-2,
(LRC) PSD- 50959, LOT 559, ILOILO CADASTRE,
LOTS 567-F-4-B-3-C-1, 567-F-4-B-3-C-2, 567-F-4-B-3-C-3
ALL OF BSD-06-002922 (AR);**

**AREA: ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120)
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 **MARCH 16, 2025**, with the same time and place mentioned above. Prospective buyers may investigate for themselves the Certificate of Registration and encumbrances thereon, if there be any.

Iloilo City, Philippines, December 11, 2024.

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

(SGD.) MARK EMMANUEL D. DELMO
Sheriff IV

NE/January 13, 20 & 27, 2025

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11179-24

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

UNIONBANK OF THE PHILIPPINES,
Mortgagee,

-versus-

AN AN GERAPISTA GADONG
Debtor-Mortgagor.

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SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135 as amended by Act No. 4118 filed by the mortgagee **UNIONBANK OF THE PHILIPPINES**, a banking institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Philippines, with principal office address at Union Bank Plaza Building, Meralco Avenue corner Onyx and Sapphire Roads, Ortigas Center, Pasig City, Metro Manila, against **debtor-mortgagor AN AN GERAPISTA GADONG**, single, of legal age, Filipino with postal address/es at Brgy. Roxas, Tapaz, Capiz and/or Lot 17, Block 9, Lumina Homes Iloilo, Brgy. Abilay Norte, Oton, Iloilo to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **October 31, 2024** amounted to **ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY SEVEN PESOS & 26/100 (P1,756,257.26)**, Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest, penalties and other charges, plus attorney's fees, publication cost, Sheriff's legal expenses and other incidental expenses of foreclosure and auction sale, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo or any of his lawful deputies will sell at public auction on **FEBRUARY 20, 2025** at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Chief Justice Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, to the **HIGHEST BIDDER**, for **CASH** or **MANAGER'S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency, the following real property, including buildings and all improvements found thereon, to wit:

Registry of Deeds for Iloilo, Iloilo
Transfer Certificate of Title No. 090-2022018621

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BARANGAY OF ABILAY NORTE, MUNICIPALITY OF OTON, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY bounded and described as follows:

LOT NO: 17 BLOCK NO: 9 PLAN NO: PCS-06-006926
PORTION OF: LOT 1, PCS 2630, LOT 1, BLK 9, LOT 12, BLK 3, LOT 25, BLK 7 ALL OF PSD-06-008171, BLOCK 45, BLOCK 46, BLOCK 47, ROAD LOT 6, ROAD LOT 46 ALL OF PCS-06-006816
LOCATION: BARANGAY OF ABILAY NORTE, MUNICIPALITY OF OTON, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY

is registered in accordance with the provision of the Property Registration Decree in the name of

Owner: AN AN GERAPISTA GADONG, SINGLE, OF LEGAL AGE, FILIPINO

Address: BRGY. ROXAS, TAPAZ, CAPIZ

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AREA: FIFTY FOUR SQUARE METERS (54), MORE OR LESS

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned time and date. In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **MARCH 13, 2025** at the same time and place aforementioned without further notice.

Prospective buyers and/or bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the above-described property and encumbrances existing thereon, if any there be. Let this Notice of Sale be published and posted in accordance with the provisions of law.

Iloilo City, Philippines, December 11, 2024.

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

(SGD.) RITO RUEL A. CASTEN
Sheriff IV/Sheriff-In-Charge

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.

Iloilo City Council Recognizes MORE Power's Contribution to City's Economy

The Iloilo City Council has passed a resolution acknowledging the significant contributions of MORE Power to the city's economic growth over the past five years. The resolution, authored by Councilor Romel Duron, Chairman of the Committee on Public Utilities, was unanimously approved by the City Council during their regular session last Wednesday. The resolution highlights MORE Power's key projects, including the Php95 million underground distribution system, the illumination of historical plazas and churches, and various outreach programs such as mangrove planting, clean-up drives, and the annual release of fingerlings into the Iloilo River. A study by the University of Asia and the Pacific (UA&P) estimates that MORE Power has contributed Php 4.99 billion to the Iloilo City economy. According to UA&P President Winston Conrad Padojinog, the 3.8% gross domestic product growth of Iloilo City can be attributed to the reliable service provided by MORE Power as an electric distribution utility. The study also found that MORE Power has generated 2,200 jobs annually and contributed Php 1.75 billion

in revenue to the city from 2020 to 2022. The resolution underscores the City Council's recognition of the positive impact of MORE Power on Iloilo City's economic development. The City Council also expresses its gratitude for the continuous support of MORE Power, particularly under the leadership of Mr. Roel Castro, who was previously declared an adopted son of the city.

LTO 6 ready with alcohol breath analyzer to test drunk drivers

ILOILO CITY – The Land Transportation Office in Western Visayas (LTO-6) has deployed four alcohol breath analyzers (ABA) to enhance the enforcement of Republic Act No. 10586, also known as the Anti-Drunk and Drugged Driving Act of 2013.

LTO-6 Regional Director Gaudioso Geduspan II said the analyzers would help deter drunk driving and measure drivers' alcohol levels during accidents, particularly during the upcoming Dinagyang Festival.

Nineteen other ABA units were sent to the central office for calibration.

The LTO plans to collaborate with Iloilo City's operation center, while its Law Enforcement Service will remain on standby to respond to road incidents.

Geduspan underscored their focus on law enforcement to minimize accidents during the festivities. Violators of RA 10586 face penalties ranging from

ILOILO GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, INC. STA. BARBARA, ILOILO

NOTICE OF ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

Notice is hereby given to all shareholders that the Annual Stockholders' Meeting of the **ILOILO GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, INC.** will be held on **March 16, 2025** at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at its Clubhouse in Sta. Barbara, Province of Iloilo.

All proxies for the March 16, 2025 Stockholders' Meeting must be submitted **not later than March 14, 2025, 4:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Determination of Quorum
3. Proof of due notice of the meeting
4. Reading and approval of the minutes of the stockholders' meeting held on May 12, 2024
5. Report of the President
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Report on contracts and agreements entered into by the Board of Directors
8. Election of Directors for the year 2025
9. Discussion of such other matters that may properly come up before the meeting which are within the ordinary concerns of the corporation
10. Adjournment

(SGD.) ATTY. FITZGERALD P. MACALALAG
 Corporate Secretary

NE/January 13, 20 & 27, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
 Province of: **Iloilo**
 City/Municipality: **Pototan**

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with **R.A. Act No. 9048**, a notice is hereby served to the public that **DIVINA PINGO PORRAS** has filed with this office, a **PETITION FOR CHANGE OF FIRST NAME** from MA. DIVINA to "**DIVINA**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **DIVINA PIABOL PINGO** who was born on **MARCH 9, 1965** at **Pototan, Iloilo** and whose parents are **COSME P. PINGO** and **CONSOLACION PIABOL**.

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

(SGD.) MARY ANN S. JARDELEZA
 Acting Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Jan. 27, 2025 & Feb. 3, 2025



PHP20,000 to PHP500,000 and imprisonment, depending on the severity of the offense.

Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
 Sixth Judicial Region
Branch XI
 San Jose, Antique
 E-mail: rtc1sja011@judiciary.gov.ph
 Tel No. (036) 540-8857

SPL. PROC. NO.
2024-11-1140

FOR:
 CORRECTION OF ENTRIES IN THE
 CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF
 ERIN SOFIYA DELOS SANTOS

IN THE MATTER OF CORRECTION OF
 ENTRIES IN THE CERTIFICATE OF LIVE
 BIRTH OF ERIN SOFIYA DELOS SANTOS
 MOLINA (REGISTRY NO. 2014-122),
 MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRY OF SAN JOSE, ANTIQUE

GINA C. DELOS SANTOS, rep.by her A/F,
ALEX C. DELOS SANTOS, Petitioner,

-versus-

THE **MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR** OF
 SAN JOSE; THE **CIVIL REGISTRAR**
GENERAL; ERIC GOMEZ MOLINA; and
 ALL OTHER PERSONS WHO MAY BE
 AFFECTED THEREBY,
 Respondents.

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ORDER

Filed before this court is a verified Petition dated October 17, 2024, that alleges among others that, petitioner Gina Clemente Delos Santos, is of legal age, married, Filipino citizen, and a resident of 1 Progreso St., Barangay 4, San Jose, Antique, and temporarily residing at 10701 Vista Del Sol Dr, El Paso, TX 79935, USA. She is represented in the Petition by Alex Clemente Delos Santos, of legal age, single, Filipino citizen, and a resident of 1 Progreso St., Barangay 4, San Jose, Antique, as per the Special Power of Attorney notarized on August 15, 2023.

It further alleges that the petitioner is the biological mother of the minor Erin Sofiya Delos Santos Molina who was born in Antique Medical Center, San Jose, Antique, on December 28, 2013. The private respondent is the biological father of Erin Sofiya. On December 30, 2013, the petitioner caused the registration of daughter's Certificate of Live Birth before the Municipal Civil Registrar of San Jose, Antique. In the said Certificate of Live Birth, the petitioner indicated the following data, viz:

Name of Child : Erin Sofiya Delos Santos Molina
 Name of Mother: Gina Clemente Delos Santos
 Name of Father : Eric Gomez Molina
 Date and Place of Marriage of Parents: June 15, 2013, San Jose, Antique

Thus, it appears in the Certificate of Live Birth of Erin Sofiya that the petitioner and private respondent Eric Gomez Molina were married.

Petitioner, however, claimed that her marriage to the private respondent was not registered with the Office of the Civil Registrar General, because she was still legally married to Adeil Amin El Gamal as shown by the Certificate of Marriage with Registry No. 04-195 of the Municipal Civil Registrar of San Jose, Antique. Thus, the entries in the Certificate of Live Birth (Registry No. 2014-122) Item No. 20a and 20b of Erin Sofiya do not reflect the truth about her marriage for she had a subsisting marriage at the time of their wedding.

The petitioner, therefore, prays that the entries in the Certificate of Live Birth of Erin Sofiya be corrected by deleting the entries "June 15, 2013" and "San Jose, Antique" under Items No. 20a and 20b (Date and Place of Marriage of Parents). Erin Sofiya has been using the Certificate of Live Birth (Registry No. 2014-122), issued by the Municipal Civil Registry of San Jose, Antique, in all her public and private official transactions. Thus, the Certificate of Live Birth (Registry No. 2014-122) issued by the Municipal Civil Registry of San Jose, Antique, should be corrected to reflect that Erin Sofiya Delos Santos Molina's parents are not married to each other and can therefore be considered an ILLEGITIMATE child of her parents. The petitioner further prays that Erin Sofiya be allowed to continue using the surname "Molina" because her biological father acknowledged and continues to acknowledge her as his daughter.

The petition, being sufficient in form and substance, is hereby set for hearing on **February 27, 2025 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning** at the session hall of this Court, Justice Calixto Zaldivar Hall of Justice, Brgy. 5, Binirayan Hills, San Jose, Antique, at which time and place any interested party may appear and show cause why the petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in the **News Express**, a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Antique. Further, let a copy of this Order be furnished the Local Civil Registrar of San Jose, Antique, the Civil Registrar General, the Solicitor General, the Provincial Prosecutor of Antique, the petitioner and her counsel, Atty. Dhelma Flor Dizen-Balestramon.

SO ORDERED.

San Jose, Antique, Philippines, December 5, 2024.

(SGD.) JOJO C. CRUZAT
 Judge

NE/January 13, 20 & 27, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
National Authority for Child Care
Regional Alternative Child Care Office
Region VI- Western Visayas
 TIN 200-137-390-000

DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATIVE ADOPTION
 CASE NO:
RACCO VI-DAA-2024-0100-REL-033

DATE: **JANUARY 8, 2025**

IN RE: PETITION FOR ADOPTION
OF JULIENNE DAENERYS MAGBAL
TO BE KNOWN THEREAFTER AS
JULIENNE DAENERYS MAGBAL
PAYAS

AL JOY PACINO PAYAS AND
JAN MITCHELL MAGBAL PAYAS
 Petitioners

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ORDER

A verified petition for the adoption of Julienne Daenerys Magbal filed by the petitioners through the Regional Alternative Child Care Office (RACCO) praying that after due notice, publication, and appearances, a judgment be rendered to the effect that the adoptee Julienne Daenerys Magbal be declared for all legal intents and purposes the legitimate child of the petitioners and that the name of the child be changed particularly to appear as **JULIENNE DAENERYS MAGBAL PAYAS**.

Finding the said Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be set for Mandatory Appearance on **March 6, 2025**, to be held at **3rd Floor, Ana Ros Building, Simon Ledesma Street, Jaro, Iloilo City, Iloilo**. Any interested party may appear and may file an opposition/complaint supported by evidence to the National Authority for Child Care (NACC), through the RACCO where the Petition was filed. The complaint will be subjected to verification and further investigation.

Let a copy of this Order be published at the expense of the Petitioners once a week for three (3) successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant to Section 31 of R.A. No. 11642 or the Domestic Administrative Adoption and Alternative Child Care Act.

(SGD.) JANICE J. BRASILEÑO
 Officer in Charge

NE/Jan. 20, 27 & Feb. 3, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
 Province of: **Iloilo**
 City/Municipality: **Pototan**

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with **R.A. Act No. 9048**, a notice is hereby served to the public that **EVANGELENE G. BABAC** has filed with this office, a **PETITION FOR CHANGE OF FIRST NAME** from JORSAN to **"FRANCIS"** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **FRANCIS JOVITO GUSTILO** who was born on **JANUARY 11, 1988** at **Pototan, Iloilo** and whose parents are **FRANCISCO C. GUSTILO** and **HERMINIA S. JOVITO**.

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

(SGD.) MARY ANN S. JARDELEZA
 Acting Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Jan. 27, 2025 & Feb. 3, 2025

Niño warrior dolls unveiled ahead of Dinagyang festival

ILOILO CITY – Revelers can look forward to holding a piece of a unique souvenir to mark their 2025 Dinagyang Festival experience with the unveiling of an iconic Niño Dinagyang warrior dolls by Megaworld's Iloilo Business Park on Tuesday.

"These one-of-a-kind collectible dolls honor the vibrant culture and heritage of the Dinagyang Festival, which will have an exclusive design as a symbol that serves the heart and soul of the festival in Iloilo Business Park," the Megaworld Lifestyle Malls said in a statement.

The warrior dolls are "must-have keepsake for the festival-goers, crafted with intricate designs that reflect the dynamic spirit of Iloilo's warrior tribes," it added.

Republic of the Philippines
 Province of Iloilo
 Municipality of Barotac Nuevo

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

In compliance with R.A. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **LANI MUCHO** has filed with this office a Petition for Change of First name from **"MARILYN"** to **"LANI"** in the birth certificate of **MARILYN ALOBIN BIACO** who was born on **January 5, 1958** at **Bo. Cruz, Barotac Nuevo, Iloilo**.

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

(SGD.) ATTY. REYNOLD A. PEREZ
 Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Jan. 27, 2025 & Feb. 3, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
 Province of Iloilo
 Municipality of Barotac Nuevo

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

In compliance with R.A. 10172, a notice is hereby served to the public that **LORIE PABORITO** has filed with this office a Petition for Correction in the Entry of Sex from **"FEMALE"** to **"MALE"** in the birth certificate of **LORIE S. PABORITO** who was born on **December 30, 1980** at **Tinorian, Barotac Nuevo, Iloilo**.

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

(SGD.) ATTY. REYNOLD A. PEREZ
 Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Jan. 27, 2025 & Feb. 3, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
 Municipal Civil Registry Office
 Province: **ILOILO**
 Municipality: **MINA**

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum No. 2013- 1, Guidelines in the Implementation of Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 2012 (IRR on RA No. 10172), Notice is hereby serve to the public that **MICHEAL BONOTANO DE LA CRUZ** has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of entry in CHILD'S SEX from **FEMALE** to **MALE** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **MICHEAL BONOTANO DE LA CRUZ** who was born on **April 6, 1991** at **Mina, Iloilo** and whose parents are **MARCELO SAYO DE LA CRUZ** and **ELSA AFICIONADO BONOTANO**.

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

(SGD.) MARIA C. TOMO
 Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Jan. 27, 2025 & Feb. 3, 2025

Festive Walk Iloilo general manager Karmela Jesena, in an interview, said the exclusive Niño dolls are the best symbolism of their devotion to the Santo Niño.

"As we all know, the real purpose or meaning of the Dinagyang Festival is our devotion to the Santo Niño. This showcases and symbolizes our culture, faith, and devotion. It is dressed in an Ati warrior costume because it is also our cultural pride," she said.

Megaworld will also host 14 other events during the festival, including the food festival joined by over 200 merchants, the Iloilo Business Expo trade fair, star-studded entertainment, and a grand fireworks display.

It will host the final judging area for the ILOmination Philippine Light Festival and float parade.

"In partnership with the local government, we have solidified our role as a

key contributor to the festival's remarkable success. This year, we proudly shine the spotlight on the essence of our identity, our rich culture, exquisite cuisine, and boundless creativity," she added.

The highlights of the festival are set for Jan. 24-26. (PNA)

Iloilo Golf and Country Club, Inc. Sta. Barbara, Iloilo

The Iloilo Golf and Country Club, Inc. wishes to inform that a resolution was passed declaring the following shares represented by certificate number/s set opposite the name of the shareholders as delinquent and forfeited for non-payment of dues and other lawful assessments and shall be sold at public auction on February 1, 2025 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning at the Iloilo Golf and Country Club (Clubhouse) to the highest bidder to satisfy the claims of the corporation itemized, as follows:

<u>Name of Shareholders</u>	<u>No. of Share/s</u>	<u>Stock Cert. No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Mr. Rodrigo Diaz	1	1328	P 44,650.00
2. Mr. Nelson Divinagracia	1	2810	44,650.00
3. Mr. Reynaldo Gavino	1	1285	54,758.90
4. Mayor Lydia Grabato	3	1190,2753,2754	62,950.00
5. Mr. Jose Hautea, Jr.	2	969, 1892	44,650.00
6. Mr. Rafael Jusayan	2	486,1679	56,850.00
7. Mr. Benito Santiago, Jr.	2	2876, 2877	44,650.00
8. Mr. Esteban Tajanlangit	1	3294	44,650.00
Total - - - - -	15		
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The Board of Directors resolved further to deprive the shareholders above-mentioned of his/her membership in the Iloilo Golf and Country Club and to divest them of their privileges as such members.

(SGD.) ATTY. FITZGERALD P. MACALALAG
Corporate Secretary

NE/January 13, 20 & 27, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Guimaras
Municipality of Jordan
OFFICE OF THE LOCAL 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 **KIRYL JOHN M. VILLAGRACIA** has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of **Child's Sex** from "**FEMALE**" to "**MALE**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **KIRYL JOHN MALCON VILLAGRACIA** who was born at **Jordan, Guimaras** and whose parents are **ROQUE B. VILLAGRACIA** and **MA. RUBY L. MALCON**.

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

(SGD.) JESUSA M. MILLONDAGA
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Jan. 20, 2025 & Jan. 27, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
Office of the Local Civil Registrar
Province: Iloilo
City/Municipality: Maasin

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with R.A. No. 9048 & 10172, a notice is hereby served to the public that **PEREGRINA M. MASAMOC**, has filed with this Office, a petition for **Correction of Clerical Error (child's sex)**, from "**MALE**" to "**FEMALE**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **PERIGRINO BILLENA MERO** who was born on **MAY 5, 1964** at **MAASIN, ILOILO** and whose parents are **AZUCENA MARCON BILLENA** and **EUSTAQUIO OÑATE MERO**.

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

(SGD.) REENA MARIEL M. LIMOSO
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Jan. 20, 2025 & Jan. 27, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province of: Iloilo
City/Municipality: Pototan

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with **R.A. Act No. 9048**, a notice is hereby served to the public that **MARIA JOHNA N. NARAGA** has filed with this office, a **PETITION FOR CHANGE OF FIRST NAME** from **JOHNA** to "**MARIA JOHNA**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **MARIA JOHNA PELOBELLO NAVARRO** who was born on **JANUARY 17, 1972** at **Pototan, Iloilo** and whose parents are **HEMAN T. NAVARRO** and **SEVILLA R. PELOBELLO**.

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

(SGD.) MARY ANN S. JARDELEZA
Acting Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Jan. 20, 2025 & Jan. 27, 2025

Construction of 3-story Antique Capitol goes full swing

SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique – The construction of the PHP960 million three-story capitol building of the provincial government of Antique is in full swing and is targeted for completion in September.

Provincial Engineer Inocencio Dajao Jr. said in an interview Wednesday that the project in Barangay Badiang, San Jose de Buenavista has a 30 percent accomplishment rate with a minimal slippage of 5 percent due to inclement weather.

"The target for the completion of the capitol is Sept. 2025 with the building of the foundation, embankment, and structural steel already done," he said.

The new capitol building will house about 20

offices.

The provincial government under Governor Rhodora Cadioa decided to build a new capitol outside the business center of San Jose de Buenavista as the old building is already 60 years old and the area has too much congestion.

Cadioa, in previous interviews, said the 6.4-hectare lot purchased by the provincial government in Barangay Badiang would be a one-stop shop because it would also accommodate other national government offices and the Hall of Justice. (PNA)



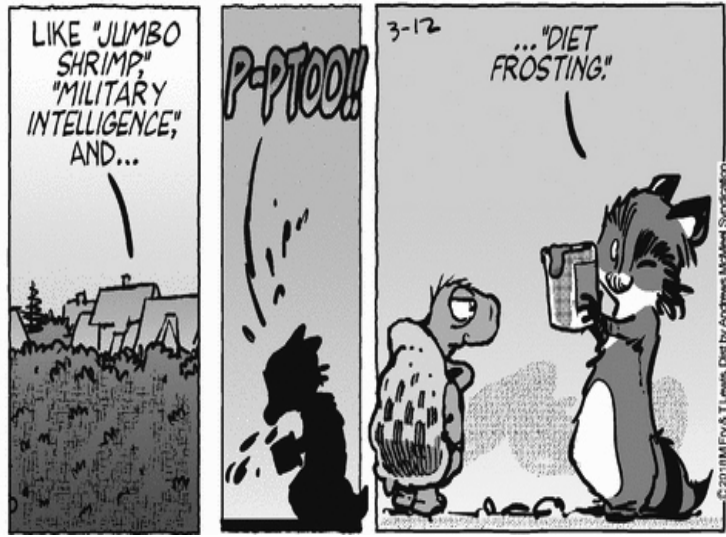
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BY T. LEWIS & MICHAEL FRAY



HOROSCOPE

ARIES
 March 21 - April 19
 Sudden changes in your romantic situation could occur today, Aries. If you're currently committed to someone, expect some surprising propositions from your partner. If you're involved but not committed, a marriage proposal might be in the picture. If you aren't currently involved, you could meet someone new and exciting under unusual circumstances. Make sure you look your best today, even if you're only running down to the supermarket!

As the world economy continues to boom, Taurus, don't be surprised if you're surrounded by new work possibilities. More than one chance to increase your income could come your way today. The problem will be wading through all these opportunities and trying to decide which is the most appealing and workable for you. List your options and outline the pros and cons of each. Writing things down can sometimes make them clearer.

GEMINI
 May 21 - June 21
 You should be feeling especially creative at this time. Social events could put you in touch with some exciting new people, Gemini. Contact with those in interesting professions could open up new personal and intellectual avenues to explore today. New friends could come your way, and your romantic situation should intensify. Expect some exciting discussions and the opportunity to learn more about the professions and personalities of the people around you.

One or more exciting new people could come into your life today, perhaps through friends or group activities of some kind. They might actually visit you in your home. Expect to be inspired and motivated by your contact with these people and others, Cancer, and to have a lot of new possibilities for your future running through your head. You might also begin to contemplate a move. Enjoy your day.

Today is likely to prove very busy, Leo, and full of interesting, unusual developments. You might find yourself having to run a lot of errands in your neighborhood, perhaps also making a few short visits. A lot of letters and phone calls, some with intriguing news, could also be on your agenda at this time. It could take some time for you to process all the information and make sense of it.

Opportunities to increase your income by working out of your home could well present themselves today. There might be more than one, and you could be tempted to take them all on. Think about this carefully before you commit, Virgo. You're feeling energetic today, but that could flag on future days. Consider the situation honestly and objectively before making any firm decisions. You don't want to regret it later.

Paperwork regarding financial matters may need to be executed at some point today, Libra. You're in the mood for some adventure, perhaps physical or romantic. You might be tempted to participate in challenging sports, such as river rafting or downhill skiing, or you might decide to attend a group meeting and see what opportunities for contacts - not to mention romantic partner! - come your way. Take care! Have fun, but move ahead with caution.

Today, Scorpio, a subject that particularly interests you could cause you to delve into obscure sources to shed more light on it. Your intuition should help, but today you're more inclined to search for solid evidence. You might find what you seek in an unusual place and in an unconventional way. You might want to carry a notebook and pen with you today, even if it's just to the corner store!

Today should find you continuing to work toward cherished career and other goals. Love matters may come to the forefront, Sagittarius. If you're currently involved, unexpected events could bring you that much closer to your partner. If you aren't involved, you could meet someone exciting, perhaps through some kind of group activities. Also, a longtime friend could suddenly appear to you in a new light. Whichever it is, expect some interesting developments.

A lot of effort, energy, and enthusiasm that you've put into various business or personal projects in the past could finally pay off today. Don't be surprised if you receive some unexpected praise or acknowledgement for your work. Friends and your special someone are likely to be very proud of you for this, Capricorn, so don't be surprised if you receive a lot of compliments and congratulations. Go out and celebrate tonight!

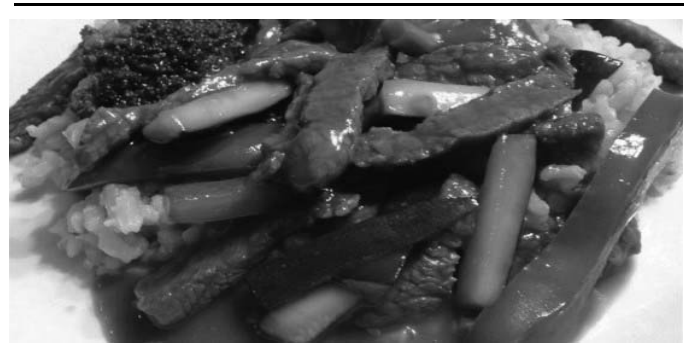
Unexpected communications from people far away could open up new opportunities regarding career, education, travel, or other broadening experiences. As a result, Aquarius, new friendships could develop, as well as new ideas and possibly exciting new goals. Modern technology could play a major role in this development. A trip by air could be on the horizon, probably to a place you've never been before. Don't be too overwhelmed by it all!

Career and business continue to play a powerful role in your life now, as new ideas, new people, and considerations as mundane as modern equipment open up new doors for you, Pisces. In addition, romantic involvements could intensify. If you're currently committed to someone, expect to grow closer. If you're involved but not exclusive, a proposal could be on the horizon. If you aren't involved, don't be surprised if you meet someone new and exciting.

SAVORY BEEF STIR-FRY

INGREDIENTS:
 1 BEEF BOUILLON CUBE 1/3 CUP BOILING WATER 5 TABLESPOONS LOW-SODIUM SOY SAUCE 2 TABLESPOONS CORNSTARCH 1 TABLESPOON TERIYAKI SAUCE 2 TEASPOONS WHITE SUGAR 1 POUND BEEF ROUND STEAK, CUT INTO THIN STRIPS 1 TABLESPOON OLIVE OIL 1 (16 OUNCE) PACKAGE FROZEN STIR-FRY VEGETABLES 1 (4 OUNCE) CAN SLICED WATER CHESTNUTS, UNDRAINED

Directions:
 Dissolve beef bouillon cube in boiling water in a large bowl. Stir soy sauce, cornstarch, teriyaki sauce, and sugar into the water. Lay beef strips into the soy sauce mixture; stir to coat beef entirely. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Cook and stir vegetables in hot oil briefly, about 1 minute. Stir water chestnuts into the vegetable mixture, place a cover over the skillet, and cook at a simmer until the vegetables are hot, about 5 minutes. Remove vegetable mixture with a slotted spoon to a large bowl, reserving juices in the skillet. Pour beef with soy sauce marinade into the hot skillet; cook and stir until browned completely, about 5 minutes. Return vegetable mixture to the skillet; bring to a simmer. Cook and stir until completely hot, about 2 minutes.



sudoku

Puzzles by Pappocom©
 Sudoku is an addictive brain teasing puzzle that can be solved by lateral thinking alone and has been taking the world by storm.

The rules of the game are simple: You simply fill in all the squares in the grid so that each row, column and each of the 3x3 squares contains all the digits from 1 to 9 without repeats or omissions.

Billed as the next crossword, Sudoku's simplicity is its beauty. Although it is a number game, Sudoku requires no mathematical skills - just a keen grasp of logic and plenty of patience.

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Pretty Sick Man

After looking for love in all the wrong places, a man returns from the Middle East and is feeling very ill. He goes to see his doctor, and is immediately rushed to the Hospital to undergo tests. The man wakes up after the tests in a private room at the hospital. No one is around but the phone by his bed. and it rings. "This is your doctor. We've had the results back from your tests and we've

found you have an extremely contagious and nasty STD called 'G.A.S.H.' It's a combination of Gonorrhoea, AIDS, Syphilis, and Herpes!" "Oh, my gosh," cried the man, "What are you going to do, doctor?" "Well, we're going to put you on a diet of pizzas, pancakes, and pita bread." "Will that cure me???" asked the man. The doctor replied, "Well no, but... they're the only foods we can get under the door."

Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
 6 Judicial Region
BRANCH 32
 Iloilo City
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CIVIL CASE NO. 24-35543

FOR: DECLARATION OF
 NULLITY OF MARRIAGE
 on the ground of
 Psychological Incapacity

JEFF ANTHONY GERALDOY LARIDA
Petitioner,

-versus-

MARIA FATIMA SUERO FUENTES,
Respondent.

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SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

For failure to effect personal service of summons on the person of the respondent, **MARIA FATIMA SUERO FUENTES** for the reason that the respondent is in Germany and the respondent's mother whom the Sheriff talked to has no idea as to when will the respondent return home, the Court ordered that the service of summons upon said respondent, Maria Fatima Suero Fuentes be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city and province of Iloilo once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks at the expense of petitioner. Jeff Anthony Geraldoy Larida in compliance with Section 6, of A.M 02-11-10-SC. In addition, the Court ordered that a copy of the summons be likewise served on the said respondent, Maria Fatima Suero Fuentes at her last known address by registered mail.

The principal grounds relied upon by petitioner, Jeff Anthony Geraldoy Larida, as alleged in the Petition and the reliefs prayed for are hereunder reproduced, to wit:

"PETITION

Comes now, Petitioner Jeff Anthony Geraldoy Larida, through the undersigned counsels and unto this Honorable Court, respectfully avers that;

Petitioner Jeff Anthony Geraldoy Larida is of legal age, Filipino, a resident of #56 Sta. Cruz, Arevalo, Iloilo City and married to the respondent. On the other hand, the respondent Maria Fatima Suero Fuentes is of legal age, married to the petitioner and is a resident of 17 Salazar Street, San Miguel, Iloilo.

The petitioner and the respondent knew each other sometime in 2016 through Facebook. The petitioner still communicated despite the strong personality of the respondent. Later when the petitioner asked her to be his girlfriend, the respondent agreed. The parties continued with their long-distance relationship. Early in their relationship, the couple always had quarrels. The petitioner is very sensitive and would often throw tantrums. On one hand, the petitioner is insensitive, unemphatic, and would often prioritize himself. Their frequent quarrel is primarily defined by their respective personalities and the respondent only thinks of herself the same is true with the petitioner.

After completing her German Language course, the respondent prepared her documents to move to Germany. During the wait, she often spoke to the petitioner about engagement and marriage, which eventually influenced him. While in Manila, the petitioner decided to propose near a church during a light drizzle under one umbrella. The respondent believed that getting married would help stabilize their relationship despite their frequent arguments and break-up threats, a view that the petitioner shared. The parties set their wedding a month after she accepted his proposal. They chose to just do a civil wedding because they did not have enough time and resources. The parties got married on September 5, 2018 at the Municipal Trial Court in Cities in Iloilo officiated by Judge Raul Facon. After the wedding ceremonies, the couple brought their family and guests to a buffet lunch at the Promenade of the Days Hotel. After their honeymoon, the couple lived at the petitioner's ancestral house in Iloilo with his father and sister. Both worked abroad and coordinated their vacations, returning to Iloilo for about 20 days each year, which happened at least three times. Despite their efforts, their relationship didn't improve, with ongoing arguments and conflicts. Their relationship faced additional strain during a March 2020 trip to Singapore, where they both paid for their own expenses. The subsequent lockdown forced them to spend an extended

period together which proved to be one of their most turbulent times and contributed to their eventual break-up. Even after resuming their separate work schedules and meeting annually in Iloilo, their attempts to rekindle their relationship during a 2022 vacation in Baguio City ended familiar arguments, reinforcing the unresolved issues between them. The parties' antipathy intensified as they struggled with their differences and family-related issues. The respondent felt overwhelmed by the challenges she faced with her relatives' health problems and found it frustrating that petitioner demanded her attention despite her own distress. She resented having to juggle her responsibilities, including managing calls from petitioner while dealing with family emergencies and financial stress. However, while on assignment, the petitioner experienced a lack of communication with the respondent due to poor internet connectivity. Upon receiving only one message from the respondent after a week, the petitioner felt deeply neglected and realized that his efforts in the relationship seemed unappreciated. This realization led him to cease communication with the respondent. After petitioner realized that he and the respondent have been living separate lives and after a thorough consideration of their marital status, he went to his lawyer, who then advised him to voluntarily submit himself first to a psychiatric clinical examination and evaluation.

Petitioner subsequently went to the clinic of Dr. Diosdado V. Amargo Jr. Upon careful evaluation of herein respondent, Dr. Amargo revealed the presence of Narcissistic Personality Disorder on the part of the respondent which is grave, severe, and incurable, as well as deeply ingrained in her personality structure that has rendered her as psychologically incapacitated to perform her marital duties and obligations. Dr. Amargo also found out that the petitioner himself also suffered from a psychological incapacity. The petitioner fulfilled the diagnosis of Narcissistic Personality Disorder. The psychological incapacities of both the petitioner and the respondent are grave and serious, which incapacitated them from carrying out the basic marital duties required in a marriage. The psychological incapacities of both the petitioner and respondent were also found to be permanent and incurable. Dr. Amargo's recommendation strengthens the case for nullifying the parties' marriage due to the respondent's Narcissistic Personality Disorder and also due to the petitioner's Narcissistic Personality Disorder.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, it is most respectfully prayed of the Honorable Court a) to declare the marriage between the petitioner Jeff Anthony G. Larida, and Maria Fatima Suero Fuentes, Null and Void from the very beginning due to the psychological incapacity of both the petitioner Narcissistic Personality Disorder) and the respondent (Narcissistic Personality Disorder); and b) to Order the Local Civil Registrar of the Iloilo City Philippines to record and register the decree of nullity upon finality of the decision; c) other reliefs just and equitable are also prayed for.

Iloilo City, Philippines, July 29, 2024."
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DIRECTIVE

As a directive to respondent, Maria Fatima Suero Fuentes you are hereby required to file with the Regional Trial Court, Branch 32, Iloilo City, your ANSWER to the petition and its annexes of petitioner, Jeff Anthony G. Larida within thirty (30) days after the last date of publication of this ORDER, and to serve a copy of your ANSWER on the petitioner through his counsel within the same period. You are reminded of the provision in the IBP-OCA Memorandum on Policy Guidelines dated March 12, 2002, to observe restraint in filing a Motion to Dismiss and instead allege the grounds thereof as defenses in the ANSWER. If you fail to answer within the time aforesaid, the Court shall not declare you in default, but it may allow the petitioner to present his evidence.

SO ORDERED.

Iloilo City, Philippines.
 January 2, 2025.

ORIGINAL SIGNED

GLOBERT J. JUSTALERO
 Presiding Judge

(SGD.) ATTY. LORRANE KIER M. POSECION
 BRANCH CLERK OF COURT
 RTC, BR. 32, LOILO CITY

NE/January 20 & 27, 2025

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
 (033) 3353190/rtc1iloocc@judiciary.gov.ph

FORECLOSURE NO. F-11206-24

For: Extra Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135, as AMENDED

BDO UNIBANK, INC.,
 Mortgagee,

-v e r s u s-

LAURENCE OLIVIER A. LUNA,
 Debtor/Mortgagor,

X-----X

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Petition for Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, as amended, filed by **BDO UNIBANK, INC.**, a banking institution duly organized and existing under Philippine laws, with office address at 33rd Floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, No. 12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City, hereinafter referred to as **Mortgagee**, against **LAURENCE OLIVIER A. LUNA**, single, Filipino, and with postal addresses at 1) No. 33 M-1 Valeria St., Iloilo City, and 2) Lot 28 Block 14, Phase II, Montecillo Villas, Balabag, Pavia, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as **Debtor/Mortgagor**, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **November 20, 2024** amounted to **ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN PESOS and SIXTY FOUR CENTAVOS (Php1,564,918.64)**, Philippine Currency, inclusive of interests, penalties and expenses, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo and/or his duly authorized deputy Sheriff will SELL at Public Auction on **FEBRUARY 19, 2025**, at 10 o'clock in the morning at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, CJ Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice, Iloilo City, to the HIGHEST BIDDER for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK and in Philippine Currency, the real property with all the improvements found thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2022021378

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT certain land bounded and described as follow:

LOT NO: 28 BLOCK NO: 14 PLAN NO: PCS-06-006280
PORTION OF: LOTS 1914-A, 1914-B, PSD-29731,
LOT 2054-C, (LRC) PSD-7937 & LOT 1730,
1919, 1920, AGONOA CADASTRE 8;
LOCATION: BARANGAY OF BALABAG,
MUNICIPALITY OF PAVIA, PROVINCE
OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY
AREA: FIFTY FOUR (54) 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 **MARCH 11, 2025**, at the same time and place without further notice.

Iloilo City, Philippines, January 07, 2025.

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

(SGD.) MARK EMMANUEL D. DELMO
 Sheriff IV

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.

NE/January 20, 27 & Feb.3, 2025



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Local Civil Registry Office
Province of Iloilo
Municipality Pototan

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCGR Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. No. 10172). Notice is hereby served to the public that **GONEMY A. LABUS** has filed with this office a petition for correction of entry in **CHILD'S SEX** from FEMALE to "**MALE**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **GONEMY AGUIRRE LABUS** who was born on **February 28, 1996** at **Pototan, Iloilo** and whose parents are **GONE D. LABUS** and **MYRNA L. AGUIRRE**.

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

(SGD.) MARY ANN S. JARDELEZA
OIC-Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/Jan. 27, 2025 & Feb. 3, 2025



DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **JOSE E. FORTUNO** known as a parcel of land (Lot 1 Block 13 of the Subdivision Plan Psd-13-005204, being a portion of plan, Swo-13-000410, L.R.A. Record No.), situated in **Brgy. Pembo, Makati City** covered by **ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 2019000200** with an area of **TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE (281) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **NERCES S. FORTUNO, JO ANTHONY S. FORTUNO, DENNIS S. FORTUNO**, Heirs of **ULYSSES S. FORTUNO**, namely, **MA. TERESA S. FORTUNO, LESTER JOSEPH S. FORTUNO, LOUIS JOHN S. FORTUNO, and LESLIE JOY S. FORTUNO**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. PAULINO S. SALMON, JR.** per Doc. No. 364, Page No. 72, Book No. 34, Series of 2022. **ATTY. PAULINO S. SALMON, JR.** executed an **Affidavit of Corrections** pertaining to the **Original Certificate of Title No. 2019000200** and the name of **MA. TERESA S. FORTUNO** and an additional paragraph after the technical description stating: "That **Ulysses S. Fortunio** died on **October 14, 2010** at **Western Visayas State University Hospital**" which was entered in the notarial registry of **Atty. Rey M. Padilla** per Doc. No. 436, Page No. 83, Book No. 14, Series of 2023.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **CARLYND BUENAFLOZ VIZCARRA** known as **Lot 27, Block 4** of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-244027 being a portion of Lot I-C (LRC) Psd-241681 LRC Cad. Record No. 8, situated in **Jaro, Iloilo City** covered by **Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-129997** with an area of **TWO HUNDRED FORTY (240) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to only surviving heir **CHARLIE BUENAFLOZ VIZCARRA** as entered in the notarial registry of **Atty. Luzermindo A. Calmorin** per Doc. No. 291, Page 63, Book No. 50, Series of 2024.

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AFFIDAVIT OF LOSS

Notice is hereby given that **LYDIA GRABATO/REY GRABATO**, of legal age, married, Filipino, both a resident of Brgy. Tolarucan, Mina, Iloilo had filed an Affidavit of Loss pertaining to **Two (2) Shares of Stocks** per **Certificate Nos. 2753 and 2754** issued on **May 9, 2006**, issued by **Iloilo Golf & Country Club, Inc.** which could not be found and are now considered as lost beyond recovery. Entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. DENNIS T. VENTILACION** per Doc. No. 103, Page No. 22, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

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Zero hunger program helps out 279 more in Antique

SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique – Beneficiaries of the Walang Gutom (Zero Hunger) program from this capital town of Antique are assured of nutritious food for the next three years under the government's zero hunger initiative.

A food redemption activity was held for 279 recipients on Tuesday at the gymnasium of Barangay II.

The beneficiaries, using their electronic benefit transfer (EBT) cards, purchased food supplies, such as rice, chicken, eggs, vegetables, and cooking oil, from an accredited store.

Department of Social Welfare and Development project development officer Von Bon Tinambunan said in an interview that beneficiaries were told not to sell the rice and other food supplies that they could redeem.

One of the beneficiaries, Mercy Rivero, 49, a mother of two from Barangay Maybato Sur, said the program is a big help since they only rely on the meager income of her husband as a tricycle driver.

Another beneficiary, Elizalde Lapostre, 55, from Barangay Pantao, said they were relieved after being chosen as recipients of the program.

"My wife and I could hardly afford to buy food to feed our children," he said.

He said he takes on carpentry and farm jobs to earn and bring home food.

The Walang Gutom 2027: Food provision through Strategic Transfer and Alternative Measures Program aims to decrease incidence of involuntary hunger experienced by low-income households and make them productive citizens of the country.

Through a whole-of-nation approach, the program provides monetary-based assistance in the form of an EBT card that will be loaded with food credits amounting to PHP3,000 to purchase a select list of food commodities from partner merchant stores. (PNA)

ADJUDICATION WITH SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **JERRY GALLOS FERNANDEZ** known as a parcel of land **Lot 27-K, Psd-06-017291**, being a portion of Lot 27, pls-723-D, Buenavista, situated in the Municipality of Buenavista, Guimaras covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-19614** with an area of **TWO THOUSAND EIGHTY THREE (2,083) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **ZENDA REGALADO FERNANDEZ, SHEIMANE ROSE FERNANDEZ FERRER, and GERALD REGALADO FERNANDEZ**. That, **SHEIMANE ROSE FERNANDEZ FERRER, and GERALD REGALADO FERNANDEZ** do hereby appoint and designate their mother **ZENDA REGALADO FERNANDEZ** as their Attorney-in-Fact. Entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. SHEREAL M. FERRER-VICHO** per Doc. No. 209, Page No. 43, Book No. VII, Series of 2024.

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AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Spouses OTONIEL J. JAVELOSA and TERESITA JAVIER** known as **Lot No. 4, Plan PSU-7496**, with the improvement thereon, situated in Brgy. Tacayong, Tigbauan, Iloilo covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-31357** with an area of **SIX HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND FIVE (654,505) square meters, more or less** is adjudicated to sole surviving heir **MA. CYNTHIA J. DEMAISIP** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. NATASHA C. DAZA-BASA** per Doc. No. 16, Page No. 5, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **VICTOR FENOLAN BANGA, JR.** consisting of three parcels of land: **1) Tax Declaration No. 015-0022** with Cadastral **Lot 4596** situated in Sta. Rita, Dumalag, Capiz with an area of **858 square meters, more or less**; **2) Tax Declaration No. 1215-0222** with Cadastral **Lot 4602** situated in Sta. Rita, Dumalag, Capiz with an area of **8,070 square meters, more or less**; and **3) Original Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-141,000** with Cadastral **Lot No. 112-Q-2** situated in Zone 2, Ungka II, Pavia, Iloilo with an area of **141 square meters, more or less** are adjudicated to heirs **NERISA SUPLEMENTO BANGA, VICTOR SUPLEMENTO BANGA III, and CARMEL ARDEN BANGA PONTI** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. ELMER R. CAMARISTA** per Doc. No. 237, Page No. 49, Book No. III, Series of 2024.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Spouses ALFREDO PLACER PADIOS, JR. and NELLY AQUILOS PADIOS** known as a parcel of land **Lot No. 2612-F-8-A, Plan No. PSD-06-086824** situated in Brgy. Man-it, Passi City covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2015006982** with an area of **ONE HUNDRED ONE SQUARE METERS (101) MORE OR LESS** is adjudicated to heirs **PHYLLA PADIOS CAMARINES, PHOEBE AQUILOS PADIOS and PHILIBERT AQUILOS PADIOS**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. ALEJANDRO CONSTANTINO III** per Doc. No. 283, Page No. 58, Book No. V, Series of 2024.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **EDITHA PROVIDO** known as a parcel of land **Lot 7836** of the Cadastral Survey of Pototan, with the improvements thereon, covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-090-2018005353** situated in Pototan, Iloilo with an area of **TEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED AND NINETY FIVE (10,495) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS** is adjudicated to sole surviving heir **ALEX P. PROVIDO** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. GEORGE H. GREGORI** per Doc. No. 42, Page No. 10, Book No. XXXVIII, Series of 2025.

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DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that **ANA TASIO REYES, GINA REYES BERNARDO, RONA REYES MAGPAYO, CATHERINE REYES TELAN, RETCHARREYES RAPADAS, and DONDY TASIO REYES** legal heirs of the late **RODOLFO A. REYES**, registered owner of a parcel of land **Lot 2-II-12224-5, BSD-06-001081 OLT** covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. EP-4763** situated in Brgy. Agnaga, Concepcion, Iloilo with an area of **EIGHTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHT (18,808) square meters, more or less** sold, ceded, transferred and conveyed by way of Absolute Sale the above-said property in favor of **VIRGILIO PUERTO SOBREVEGA, SR.** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. ARIEL C. MANIPULA** per Doc. No. 7496, Page No. 50, Book No. 4, Series of 2024.

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AFFIDAVIT OF LOSS

Notice is hereby given that **JAMES CHUNG**, of legal age, widow, Filipino, and a resident of Iloilo City had filed an Affidavit of Loss pertaining to **Three (3) shares of stocks** per **Cert. No. 869** issued on **February 19, 1993**, and **Cert. Nos. 2478 and 2479** issued on **October 1, 2002** issued by **Iloilo Golf & Country Club, Inc.** Entered in the notarial registry of **Atty. Igmedio S. Prado, Jr.** per Doc. No. 511, Page No. 104, Book No. CLXXXV, Series of 2025.

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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11169-24

For: Extra Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135, as AMENDED

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (Pag-IBIG Fund),

Mortgagee

-versus-

JERELDERIE C. HERBILLA,
Debtor/Mortgagor,

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, as amended, filed by the HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (Pag-IBIG Fund), a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 9679 with principal office at Petron Mega Plaza Building, 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, with branch office at Pag-IBIG Housing Business Center, Gaisano City Grand Mall, Araneta St., Singang, Bacolod City, hereinafter referred to as **Mortgagee**, against **JERELDERIE C. HERBILLA**, single of legal age, Filipino and with postal address at Brgy. Solong, Sibalom, Antique, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as **Mortgagor**, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **August 30, 2024** amounted to **NINE HUNDRED TWENTY SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY TWO AND EIGHTY TWO CENTAVOS (Php926,162.82)**, Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest and penalty charges, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo and/or his duly authorized deputy Sheriff will SELL at Public Auction on **MARCH 04, 2025**, at 10 o'clock in the morning at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, CJ Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice, Iloilo City, to the HIGHEST BIDDER for CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK and in Philippine Currency, the real property with all the improvements found thereon, to wit.

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2022005032

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 7, BLOCK 3, PCS-063034-002118, BEING A CONS- SUBD. OF LOTS 44-A-2, 44-A-3, 44-A-4 & 44-A-5, PSD-06-011842, SITUATED IN THE BRGY. OF BURAY, MUN. OF OTON, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, BOUNDED ON X X X X X CONTAINING AN AREA OF **NINETY SIX (96) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.**

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2022005033

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 8, BLOCK 3, PCS-063034-002118, BEING A CONS- SUBD. OF LOTS 44-A-2, 44-A-3, 44-A-4 & 44-A-5, PSD-06-011842, SITUATED IN THE BRGY. OF BURAY, MUN. OF OTON, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, BOUNDED ON X X X X X CONTAINING AN AREA OF **NINETY SIX (96) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.**

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2022005034

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 9, BLOCK 3, PCS-063034-002118, BEING A CONS- SUBD. OF LOTS 44-A-2, 44-A-3, 44-A-4 & 44-A-5, PSD-06-011842, SITUATED IN THE BRGY. OF BURAY, MUN. OF OTON, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, BOUNDED ON X X X X X CONTAINING AN AREA OF **NINETY SIX (96) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.**

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2022005035

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 10, BLOCK 3, PCS-063034-002118, BEING A CONS-SUBD. OF LOTS 44-A-2, 44-A-3, 44-A-4 & 44-A-5, PSD-06-011842, SITUATED IN THE BRGY. OF BURAY, MUN. OF OTON, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, BOUNDED ON X X X X X CONTAINING AN AREA OF **NINETY SIX (96) 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 **APRIL 22, 2025**, at the same time and place without further notice.

Iloilo City, Philippines, December 04, 2024.

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

(SGD.) MARK EMMANUEL D. DELMO
Sheriff IV

DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT, PARTITION, AND WAIVER

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **ROSITA D. ALEJAN** consisting of **three (3) parcels of land**, namely, **1) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. EPT-15408, (DAR Emancipation Patent No. 559920), Lot 7845-A, BSD-06-001915 (OLT)** being a portion of Lot 7485, Pototan Cad. 222, situated in the Brgy. Bagacay, Pototan, Iloilo with an area of **Twenty Four Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Two (24,592) Square Meters, more or less;** **2) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. EPT-15410, (DAR Emancipation Patent No. 559921), Lot 7845-D, Bsd-06-001915 (OLT)**, being a portion of Lot 7845, Pototan Cad. 222, situated in Brgy. Bagacay, Pototan, Iloilo with an area of **Five Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-One (5,621) Square meters, more or less.;** **3) TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. EPT-15409, (DAR Emancipation Patent No. 559922), Lot No. 7845-C, Psd-06-001915 (OLT)** being a portion of Lot 7845 Pototan cad. 222, situated in Brgy. Bagacay, Pototan, Iloilo with an area of **Four Hundred Fifty-Seven (457) Square Meters, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **CARMENCITA ALEJAN LIZA, JOCELYN ALEJAN ESTIVA, CECILIA ALEJAN ALCABA, ELNORA ALEJAN CATADOR, NOEMI ALEJAN TINGZON, ANASTACIO D. ALEJAN, JR., AGUSTIN D. ALEJAN and JOEY A. NILLOS**. That, **Carmencita A. Liza, Noemi A. Tingzon and Anastacio D. Alejan, Jr.** waived in favor of their brother **Agustin D. Alejan** all their undivided rights, interests and participations over the said three parcels of land, free from all liens and encumbrances, except a portion of **Lot No. 7845-A (TCT No. EPT 15408)** containing an area of **3,000 sq.m.** which is actually being possessed and cultivated by **Joey Nillos**. Neither are the lawful shares of **Elnora A. Catador** included in this waiver. Entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. ELMER R. CAMARISTA** per Doc. No. 223, Page No. 46, Book No. I, Series of 2023.

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DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **BARTOLOME SUGANOB and ROSALINA JAVERTO** known as **Lot No. 2210** of the Cadastral Survey of Sta. Barbara, Iloilo with the improvements thereon, covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-131714** with an area of **FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY NINE (4,149) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **ALBERT JAVERTO SUGANOB and ROBERT JAVERTO SUGANOB** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. CARL RUPERT CRISME MUELA** per Doc. No. 482, Page No. 98, Book No. 2, Series of 2025.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION with SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Spouses ZACARIAS G. GEQUINIANA and DOLORES GENITE GEQUINIANA** known as **Lot 3488, Pls 1074** situated in Guimbal, Iloilo covered by **Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. F-45120, CARP 2014000030** with an area of **ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY TWO (1,292) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to surviving heirs **PACIFICO G. GEQUINIANA, WILSON G. GEQUINIANA, ARLYN G. SERMITE, JAIME G. GEQUINIANA, JOSIE G. GAYOLA, JIMMY G. GEQUINIANA, ESEL G. GEQUINIANA, and JUVY GEQUINIANA**. That, the said heirs/adjudicates hereby SOLD, CEDED, CONVEYED and TRANSFERRED by way of ABSOLUTE SALE a portion of the above-said property **Lot 3488-A** with an area of **TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY (270) square meters, more or less** in favor of **PAMELA CECILIA I. GONZALES**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MA. SONNETTE V. SEVILLE DAQUITA** per Doc. No. 263, Page No. 53, Book No. XV, Series of 2021

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **SONIA LAYAG PEDREGOSA** known as **Lot 355-B** situated in Siniba-an, Dingle, Iloilo covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-141331** with an area of **TEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (10,350) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to surviving heir **DOMINADOR PEDREGOSA**. That, **DOMINADOR PEDREGOSA** hereby SOLD, CEDED, CONVEYED and TRANSFERRED by way of ABSOLUTE SALE the above-said property in favor of **MARTIN REYVIL D. LAYAGA**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MA. SONNETTE V. SEVILLE DAQUITA** per Doc. No. 144, Page No. 29, Book No. XV, Series of 2021.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **LITTO B. BACAS** known as a savings deposit at **Metrobank Iloilo La Paz Branch, Iloilo City** under **Savings Account No. 487-2-48700839-1** is adjudicated to heirs **SONIA SABIJON-BACAS and CHRISTINE ANN S. BACAS-TUTOR**. That, **CHRISTINE ANN S. BACAS-TUTOR** waived all her rights, share and interests over the said savings deposit in favor or her co-heir **SONIA SABIJON-BACAS**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. JUDE VINCENT D. FONTILON** per Doc. No. 89, Page No. 19, Book No. VII, Series of 2025.

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EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE with SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **ENRIQUE M. ENRIQUEZ** consisting of the following properties: **Condominium Unit 112 Ground Floor at Mission Road Extension, Brgy. San Nicolas, La Paz, Iloilo City** covered by **TCT No. 095-2017000249**; **Unit 8-a parking lot with TCT No. 095-2017000240** at Mission Road Extension, Brgy. San Nicolas, La Paz, Iloilo City; **Lot 1 Block 10, Psd-06-034868, situated in Brgy. Loboc, Lapaz, Iloilo City** covered by **TCT No. T-144783**; **Lot 9 Block 18, Psd-06-034868, situated in Brgy. Loboc, Lapaz, Iloilo City** covered by **TCT 123326**; **Lot 3 Block 10, psd-06-034868, situated in Brgy. Loboc, Lapaz, Iloilo City** covered by **TCT No. T-144782**; and **Lot 10 Block 18, Psd-06-034868** covered by **TCT No. T-123327** located at Villa San Lorenzo, Loboc, La Paz, Iloilo City are adjudicated to surviving heirs **LUDIVINA S. ENRIQUEZ and NATALIE S. ENRIQUEZ**. That, the said heirs/adjudicatees sold, transferred, and conveyed the above-described condominium in favor of **FRANCES NICOLE C. CARILLO**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MA. THERESA MALONES-SANCHEZ** per Doc. No. 395, Page No. 80, Book No. III, Series of 2024.

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DEED OF SELF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **ADORACION GISON MILLAN** known as a parcel of land, **Lot 445-A. Psd-06-100928** situated in the District of Arevalo, Iloilo City covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE (TCT) NO. 095-2023001792** with an area of **FOUR HUNDRED FORTY (440) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to surviving heir **OFELIA GISON MOMVILLE** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. ELMER R. CAMARISTA** per Doc. No. 501, Page No. 102, Book No. 1, Series of 2024.

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION with ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Spouses SOLOMON DEANON and ELENA DELARIARTE DEANON** known as **Lot 2773-A**, situated in Paloc Sool, Dumangas, Iloilo covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-112985** with an area of **TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THREE (12,503) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to surviving heir **MA. LORETO DEANON DIVINAGRACIA**. That, **Ma. Loreto Deanon Divinagracia** hereby SOLD, CEDED, CONVEYED and TRANSFERRED by way of ABSOLUTE SALE the above-said property in favor of **SONIA LAZA QUITONG** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MA. SONNETTE V. SEVILLE DAQUITA** per Doc. No. 387, Page No. 78, Book No. XVI, Series of 2023.

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