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# NWRB urged to act swiftly on water supplier's allocation request

ILOILO CITY – The Sangguniang Panlungsod (City Council) here is working on an endorsement for the National Water Resources Board (NWRB) to act swiftly in granting the requested water allocation of the Agsirab Water Resource Corporation.

Agsirab is requesting 600 liters per second (LPS), which should not be deducted from the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) allocation.

“It will also be for the benefit of the city and province. You know we have a problem in the city and some municipalities in our water supply. This could be one of the answers should the National Water Resources Board grant the request,” said Councilor Romel Duron in an interview on Wednesday.

Duron, chair of the committee on public utilities at the city council, said Agsirab has a memorandum of



**BOOST WATER SUPPLY.** Councilor Romel Duron, chair of the committee on public utilities at the Iloilo City council, during one of their sessions at the Sangguniang Panlungsod. In an interview on Wednesday (Jan. 29, 2025), the councilor said he would present the progress report of his proposed resolution endorsing to the National Water Resources Board (NWRB) the requested water allocation of the Agsirab Water Resource Corporation. (File photo courtesy of Iloilo City Council FB)

agreement (MOA) with Metro Pacific Iloilo Water (MPIW) to supply water.

He added that MPIW has been looking for a water source and even resorted to desalination. However, surface water is cheaper compared with

desalination, he said.

“Agsirab will supply water. Metro Pacific will buy from them,” he added.

Duron hoped that with the granting of the request, NWRB would also restore the allocation to the original request of

1,200 LPS.

“Hopefully, it will be addressed through our resolution,” Duron said.

The councilor is set to present the progress report of his proposed resolution during their regular session on Thursday. (PNA)

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collected,” he added.

In addition to Iloilo, they also supply blood to their other chapters.

“Mostly, the bulk of our requests are from hospitals, our OB (obstetrics) patients, and surgical patients. Every day, we receive requests from them,” he said.

Those who are interested in donating may join mobile blood donation activities or visit the PRC office. They have to be between 18 to 60 years old, physically fit, have good sleep, and not sick.

Groups are also encouraged to commit at least two mobile blood donation activities per year. They can get in touch with PRC donor recruitment officers or email wvrdc@redcross.org.ph for their schedule. (PNA)

## DINAGYANG ... (from page 1)

by Mayor Jerry Treñas along with IFFI Chairman Rito Carlos "Judgee" Peña, IFFI President Allan Ryan Tan, and Dinagyang Festival Artistic Director Mr. Eric Divinagracia.

Te Amoriangi-Taiohi from Ruapotaka Marae, Auckland, New Zealand also performed their Haka Performance through powerful movements, stomping, and shouting.

The said performance which is part of Māori culture symbolizes welcoming of guests or celebrating achievements and events.

This year's Dinagyang Tribes Competition composed of both barangay and school-based tribes from different schools and districts in Iloilo City.

The competing tribes were the following:

- \* Tribu Paghidaet of La Paz National High School
- \* Tribu Salognon of Jaro National High School
- \* Tribu Parianon of Molo District
- \* Tribu Ilonganon of Jalandoni Memorial National High School
- \* Tribu Pag-asa Kang Manduryaw of Mandurriao District
- \* Tribu Hangaway of Graciano Lopez Jaena Elementary School
- \* Tribu Molave of Mandurriao District

## NINE TRIBES ... (from page 1)

and the Iloilo Festivals Foundation Incorporated (IFFI).

The event was graced by Iloilo Arthur Defensor Jr. wherein the participating tribes came from the different festivals of the different municipalities across the province of Iloilo.

Defensor was also joined by IFFI President Allan Ryan Tan, Anilao Mayor Nathalie Ann Debuque, and San Jose Parish Placer Parish Priest Rev. Fr. Nelson Zeda, OSA.

The Kasadyahan competing tribes composed of the following:

- \* Bana-ag Festival - Anilao
- \* Kaing Festival- Leon
- \* Tawili Festival - San Rafael
- \* Tribu Jalaud of Hirinugyaw-Suguidanunay Festival - Calinog
- \* Tinuom Festival - Cabatuan
- \* Cry of Jellicuon - New Lucena
- \* Tangyan Festival - Igabaras
- \* Haw-as Festival - Dumangas
- \* Tultugan Festival - Maasin

To add excitement to the event, Tribu Arigay of Binanog Festival from the municipality of Lambunao also showcased their moves as a guest performer.

Aside from Freedom Grandstand, the nine tribes also

\* Tribu Pan-ay of Fort San Pedro National High School

The tribes not only performed at Iloilo Freedom Grandstand but also in other judging areas including Iloilo Provincial Capitol, Quezon Ledesma, and Mabini-Delgado.

During the awarding ceremony, Tribu Paghidaet was hailed as this year's Champion and regained its triumph after several years of joining in the said competition. The tribe also received a cash prize of Php1.2 million and a trophy.

Tribu Pan-ay was hailed first-runner up with a cash prize of Php700,000; Tribu Ilonganon as second runner-up with Php500,000; Tribu Salognon as third runner-up with Php300,000 cash prize; and Tribu Parianon nga Nagasilak as fourth runner-up and

performed in other judging areas including Iloilo Provincial Capitol, Quezon-Ledesma, and Mabini Delgado.

During the awarding ceremony at the Iloilo Freedom Grandstand on January 26, Tultugan Festival of Maasin has once again hailed as the champion of this year's Kasadyahan sa Kabanwahanan 2025 wherein they received a cash prize of Php1.2 million and a trophy.

The Hirinugyaw-Suguidanonay Festival of Calinog was recognized as the first runner-up with a cash prize of Php700,000 and a trophy while the Kaing Festival of Leon was the second runner-up with a cash prize of Php500,000 and a trophy.

In addition, here are the Kasadyahan tribes that will be receiving Php10,000 in special awards:

- \* Best in Performance - Tultugan Festival of Maasin
- \* Best in Choreography - Tultugan Festival (Maasin)
- \* Best in Music - Tultugan Festival (Maasin)
- \* Best in Production Design - Tultugan Festival (Maasin)
- \* Best in Discipline - Hirinugyaw-Suguidanonay Festival (Calinog)
- \* Best in Costume - Hirinugyaw-Suguidanonay Festival (Calinog)
- \* Best in Street Dancing - Hirinugyaw-Suguidanonay Festival (Calinog)
- \* People's Choice Award - Kaing Festival (Leon)

received cash prize of Php250,000.

In addition, the special awards of the said competition are the following:

- \* Best in Performance - Tribu Paghidaet
- \* Best in Choreography - Tribu Pan-ay
- \* Best in Music - Tribu Pan-ay
- \* Best in Costume Design and Headdress - Tribu Paghidaet
- \* Best in Production Design - Tribu Pan-ay
- \* Best in Sadsad Award - Tribu Ilonganon
- \* Best in Discipline - Tribu Pan-Ay
- \* People's Choice Award - Tribu Parianon

Meanwhile, IFFI also announced that the winning tribe of Dinagyang Festival 2025 is set to perform at Osaka, Japan in June and Auckland, New Zealand in November this year.

# Iloilo City eyes rules in newly-opened Sunset Boulevard

ILOILO CITY –The city government here will talk with the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) about a possible partial turnover of the newly-opened Iloilo Sunset Boulevard to ensure its maintenance.

Engr. Neil Ravena, head of the General Services Office, said they need to set rules and guidelines, including on anti-littering, allowing consumption of alcoholic drinks and managing activities in the area.

He said they also got instructions from Mayor Jerry Treñas to install waste bins and plants in the area.

“The Sunset Boulevard is a unique infrastructure since it’s a combination of road and linear park. Its road component has an equal width with the pedestrian and the bike lane. It also has a planting strip,” Ravena said in an interview on Wednesday.

The Sunset Boulevard spans five kilometers from Iloilo City to the adjacent

municipality of Oton.

Ravena said the Environment and Natural Resources Officer of Oton is also coordinating with him. Among their agreements were the use of uniform planting materials and waste management.

“It is proper that we collaborate with them so that we can discuss. The rules and regulations we set should be uniform, considering that a bigger stretch of the boulevard is on Oton’s side,” he added.

Ravena deployed his team from Calahunan to look into the garbage disposal and another team for beautification and taking care of plants.

“This is a very good infrastructure. Hopefully, we will have a sense of ownership as Ilonggos to protect Sunset Boulevard. It should be free from litter. Let us protect the plants,” he said.

The Sunset Boulevard opened to vehicular traffic on Jan. 24. It was opened to joggers in June last year. (PNA)



**SUNSET BOULEVARD.** The Iloilo Sunset Boulevard that connects Iloilo City and the adjacent Municipality of Oton. The Iloilo City government eyes regulations to maintain the infrastructure that was inaugurated on Jan. 24, 2025. (Photo courtesy of DPWH 6)

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## Safer access to uplands of Central Iloilo with slope protections structure

MANILA — Upland communities in the towns of Leon and Alimodian will be safely accessed with the continuous provision of slope protection structures by the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH).

Recently, DPWH Iloilo 4th District Engineering Office has built another slope protection structure along Junction Bancal-Leon-Antique Boundary Road, specifically in Barangay Ayabang, San Miguel town.

DPWH 6 Regional Director Sanny Boy O. Oropel said the structure will ensure that the road and nearby communities are spared from possible hazards caused by landslide and falling debris.

“This portion of the national road is very susceptible to landslide and rock fall especially when heavy rains occur, posing danger to commuters and residents, hence, this improvement is significant in order to preserve the life and properties of the people living in the area,” RD Oropel noted.

This slope protection structure will further ensure that the road is accessible at all times, providing uninterrupted

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### Message

**M**y warmest felicitations to all parishioners and devotees of Our Lady of Candles on the occasion of its Patronal Fiesta with the theme: “Nuestra Sra. De la Candelaria: Bearer of Light and Guide for the Pilgrims of Hope”.

This occasion is more meaningful as the National Shrine of Our Lady of Candles will also celebrate the Jubilee Year 2025 – Jubilee Year of Hope.

The parish serves as a moral watch to the people of Jaro and its neighboring places. Your presence served as a strong bastion to the people who come for retreat and shield.

Indeed, through the years the Parish continues to uphold the tradition of serving God’s flock in the spirit of charity to neighbors and solidarity with the people.

May this occasion strengthen the resolve of the parishioners and devotees in upholding the vision and mission of your Church.

It is my earnest desire that you will continue to be the community’s watch on morality and spirituality. And may you pursue charity in your personal and community life. Congratulations and Godspeed!

**ARTHUR R. DEFENSOR, SR.**  
Governor

transportation, as well as cost-efficient delivery of agricultural products from the highlands to the market.

RD Oropel further said this slope protection will also help facilitate faster delivery of medical and other basic services to the people in the far-flung areas.

In addition, District Engineer Mario G. Soriano said the slope protection will provide a convenient access to various tourist destinations in the area, enhancing local tourism development.

This road section provides access to Bucari Pine Forest in Brgy. Bucari, Leon which is considered as the “Little Baguio” of Iloilo province and to other tourist destinations in Alimodian town like the “Imoy Falls” and “Seven Cities”

which are known for organic vegetable production, thus, ensuring the road connectivity is necessary,” DE Soriano explained.

“We should ensure that our national roads especially those in the highland areas are free from falling debris and erosion to provide smooth and continuous flow of traffic, especially these days that we are experiencing series of rainfall,” added Soriano.

The P96.496-million project funded under FY 2023 Regular Infrastructure Program, involves construction of slope protection structure and drainage system, including the construction of bridge and other miscellaneous structures. (DPWH with photos by DPWH Iloilo 4th DEO)

## Third places and 'no buy zones'

Like many modern-day working parents, I have often wondered how Gen XYZ in the Philippines manage to sustain the habit of frequenting coffee shops and coffee bars, especially those who are still in school or non-working family members.

At the beginning, I was paying attention to the different forms of coffee-based concoctions that the "kids" were buying. I saw it as a trend or "uso" that was costly, perhaps fattening, and surely an added expense for parents. But I thought, it's compensation for the lack of parenting.

I assumed that with their limited allowances, "baon" or budget, it was a spending choice to hang out at a coffee shop and scrimp on other things like clothes, or movies, etc. But still, I worried how such a "lifestyle" is unsustainable, unnecessary and eventually costly.

I was never harshly critical about the trend or Gen Z hanging out at coffee shops. I was simply curious how the "culture" held together.

Then one day, while sharing my thoughts with my daughter Hannah, she told me about "Third Places."

"Third Places" is not about coming in "third" in a race nor is it about the "third sex." It is about a third place that is an established destination, especially for Gen Z. It is literally a go-to place for Gen XYZ where the coffee concoctions are collaterals or side attractions. I found out later that the term "Third Places" was coined and promoted by the first "placer" in Third Places: Starbucks.

Hannah explained that for her and her friends, Third Places provided a break from the "constant" – namely home and school, especially in the Philippines where most homes are small, and family size is larger than in other countries.

Schools abroad are much better at providing quiet safe spaces and no-buy zones to work or study, but not in the Philippines where libraries are generally left-over features from the boomer generation, often rigid, warm and with a vintage scent combining old books and floor wax.

Sadly, the Philippines, Metro Manila, not even the so-called "planned environments," truly prioritize or incorporate the needs of the youth in terms of park benches, meditation areas in the shade away from heavy pedestrian traffic or just quiet workspaces. Gardens in today's concrete jungle and high rises are mere "features" and not a commitment.

Ask any senior citizen or person with disability to rate all the malls they go to and almost all of them will complain that stores don't provide seats, malls have artwork pretending to be benches and just about every one of them has aggressive architecture designed to make people move on and not tarry!

There was recently a controversy about student access to a mall and regardless of who is in the right or wrong, the truth is many malls, especially the high-end ones in Makati, have security guards that actively prevent students from public high schools from "mallng."

To be fair, I would not want mall space to become the "Tambayan ng Bayan." If the volume of traffic translated to income, that would be great, but if not, mall operators have to deal with costly clean up, maintenance and electricity cost for air conditioning and lighting, not to mention security costs.

There is a real need for modern day Third Spaces. Students need them, seniors need them, small business owners and professionals need them. From what I have observed, Gen XYZ are slowly losing their grip or control over their beloved Third Places.

At the beginning of the year, my wife Karen and I agreed to join our daughter as a show of support while she worked on her thesis. I would read a book or write a column while Karen does the weekly accounting or planning her sewing projects. There was quite a number of choices, but I soon learned that each location attracted certain crowds on certain hours and certain days.

The morning would start out with our kind of crowd. People trying to work on a "project," reading or analyzing

data, or simply working with their laptop quietly. But as the hours drag on, the Zs come in, doing their pictorials alone or in pairs. Soon the "Agents" arrive doing sales pitches online, competing for internet capacity with digital nomads and work-from-wherever types loudly yapping on their blue tooth headgear.

All along, I thought that the Third Places were for students and professionals, but my greatest fears were realized when I witnessed a reunion, complete with spouses and offsprings, at an SB near our place. The noise level tripled with the kids in tow, the temperature rose, and it was time to go!

Right now, Starbucks has become the premier Third Place but there's not enough of them. Coffee Bean is catching the spill over, but the demand is greater than supply and the locations are still generally mall based. My daughter pointed out that during her studies in Europe, students would either meet up at the school libraries, public libraries, museum or a nearby community center.

Now that's an idea! The DILG and barangays should host design contests for community centers that can become Third Places for students, professionals who don't have brick and mortar stores or offices as well as a "socials" center that provides more space than tiny homes. If "operated" well with the right ambience, strong internet, less foot traffic and crowds, I would love to have my Third Place in the neighborhood.

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"Because so many people were coming and going, they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, 'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.'" – Mark 6:31

## The Chinese in our hearts

In case you're not aware, all those fireworks, lion / dragon dances and feasting in our country for the Lunar New Year are in celebration of an Intangible Cultural Heritage as declared by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

Specifically, the "social practices of Chinese people celebrating the traditional New Year – Spring Festival" was inscribed by UNESCO in its Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage on Dec. 4 last year.

I learned about the latest inclusion of a Chinese element in the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage list (bringing the total to 44 for China, the most in the world) when I attended the Lunar New Year celebration at the Shangri-La The Fort in Taguig last Jan. 19 co-hosted by the Chinese embassy together with the top Filipino-Chinese business federations.

Each guest was welcomed with warmth, literally, through a red woolen shawl given away as gift.

Chinese Ambassador Huang Xilian reminded guests that 2025 marks 50 years of diplomatic ties between the Philippines and the People's Republic of China. The ambassador, who lacks the personal warmth of some of his predecessors, nevertheless highlighted the traditional friendship and cultural ties and hoped for mutual prosperity for the 1.5 billion combined populations of the two countries.

The Filipino-Chinese business federations also presented videos showing cooperation with China in poverty alleviation and in projects such as the construction of classrooms and school buildings.

Tsinoy singer-songwriter (and sugar baron) Jose Mari Chan of "Christmas In Our Hearts" renown said in a video message: "Kami din ay Pinoy sa puso at gawa."

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For all the goodwill, let's face it, these days it takes some effort to dwell on the positive aspects of Philippine ties with China.

Filipino-Chinese businessmen, many of whom are doing business with Chinese companies and source materials from the mainland, are naturally among the most concerned about the escalating tension in the West Philippine Sea.

The entry (widely suspected to be hostile) of

President Marcos' pet vanity project, the Maharlika Investment Fund, into the National Grid Corp. of the Philippines is seen as the first step in kicking out the Chinese shareholders from the NGCP.

Maharlika Investment Corp. CEO Rafael Consing Jr. has indicated as much, expressing openness to buy out the State Grid Corp. of China.

In light of Beijing's disregard for the Philippines' maritime economic entitlements that are based on international rules, its gray zone attacks on Philippine vessels within our exclusive economic zone and its greedy claim over nearly the entire South China Sea, there's some basis to be worried about a Chinese state-run firm being involved in the operator of the country's electricity grid.

Still, NGCP is a private company, which took in the State Grid Corp. as a partner at a time when the Philippine government itself was inviting Chinese investors to the country and working to increase bilateral trade. There has been no prohibition against Philippine private companies, including those engaged in public utilities and other critical industries, against partnering with Chinese companies whether state-run or private, although Chinese laws effectively give Beijing a degree of control over all Chinese enterprises (yes, including TikTok owner ByteDance).

Nevertheless, Maharlika's manner of entering the NGCP is spooking the business community in general.

There are many other Filipino-run private companies with Chinese companies as partners in part or all of their operations. Will they have to kick out these partners, or wait for a hostile takeover by the government?

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At the Shangri-La event, the Grand Ballroom was full, but considering who were the hosts, the guests could have included more big guns in both government and the private sector.

There was a representative from the Department of Foreign Affairs, and the emcee announced the presence of the chiefs of the Bureau of Immigration and the National Bureau of Investigation. There were videotaped

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Cito Beltran



### Sketches

Ana Marie Pamintuan



greetings from Vice President Sara Duterte ("Let us look ahead to future cooperation," she said) and from First Lady Liza Marcos.

I spotted Senate Minority Leader Koko Pimentel, Makati Mayor Abby Binay and business tycoon Hans Sy. Among the diplomatic corps, the dean was present, Papal Nuncio Charles Brown, along with the ambassadors of Japan, the United Kingdom, the European Union, France and several other individual member states of the EU.

Maybe other guests arrived after I had left the gathering without partaking of the food.

At least there's one thing Filipinos aren't disputing with the Chinese: they have terrific cuisine.

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As I write this, the pata tim is being tenderized at my home, and the ingredients for my XO long life noodles (made of 100 percent sweet potato flour, so it's OK even for the diabetics and gout sufferers in the household) with braised pork leg have been laid out.

In a nod to Pinoy culture, I'm substituting giant bangus inihaw for the Chinese-style steamed whole fish that I usually serve for the Lunar New Year celebration.

By our elders' accounts, my maternal Chinese grandmother was an accomplished cook, but unfortunately found her children too rowdy and shooed them away from her kitchen. So my mother and I had to improvise in our Chinese cooking. Plus I took lessons from my favorite teacher, Sylvia Reynoso Gala, and a Chinese guy in Manila who couldn't speak Filipino and blew air under the skin of the Peking duck with his mouth.

As I welcome the Year of the Wood Snake, I dwell on my Chinese heritage and stuff my face with tikoy and other delectable Chinese food. Like many Filipinos, I may dislike the Chinese government led by Xi Jinping, but not the people and the culture.

Kung hei fat choi, everyone!

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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 33<sup>rd</sup> 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

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LOT NO: 50 BLOCK NO: 5 PLAN NO: PCS-06-006618  
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LOCATION: BARANGAY JIBAO-AN, MUN. OF PAVIA,  
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 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**  
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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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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/ 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 **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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 Agonua 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

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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.

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

**(SGD.) ATTY. GERRY D. SUMACULUB**  
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# Capiz farmers receive 2,600 coconut seedlings

ROXAS CITY, Capiz (PIA) — A total of 2,600 coconut seedlings were distributed to 50 corn farmers from Pilar town, as part of the "Kalubihan sa Kamaisan (KSK) Project."

According to the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA), the KSK project is a partnership between the PCA and the Capiz provincial government, underscoring their joint commitment to enhancing the province's agricultural sector and improving the quality of life for farming communities across Capiz.

The KSK project was successfully launched in other municipalities, and recently in Brgy. Monteflor in Pilar town, pursuant to Provincial Ordinance No.



208, series of 2023.

Capiz governor Fredenil Castro emphasized the KSK project as a crucial initiative for building a more resilient

and sustainable agricultural sector in Capiz.

"It not only improves farmers' livelihood but also addresses environmental

challenges, including erosion and flooding. Planting coconut is especially timely," Castro



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GOVERNMENT ALLOTS P49.81 BILLION TO FUND THE SOCIAL PENSION OF  
SENIOR CITIZENS



## More senior citizen benefits

*Editorial*

We commend the House of Representatives for coming up with proposed bills expanding the benefits for senior citizens.

We already have the Comprehensive Senior Citizens Benefit Act that gives senior citizens or those 60 years old and above an array of benefits in recognition of their health and medical needs in their advanced age.

Recently, three committees of the House of Representatives – Ways and Means, Senior Citizens, and Disability Affairs – went a step further and recommended for plenary approval several bills expanding the coverage of senior citizens' benefits and privileges.

The first is a measure institutionalizing the removal of the requirement of the booklet for availing senior discounts. Another is the recommendation for a P2,000-tollway discount for senior citizens who use expressways.

Still another benefit contemplated by lawmakers is applying the senior discount on Transportation Network Vehicle Service units such as Grab and Angkas.

There's also the bill increasing the water and power utility discount from five percent to 15 percent, and on those consuming 200kWh rather than just 100kWh.

Other lawmakers have proposed that online sales should also be subject to the 20-percent senior discount, so businesses will also be able to use the cost of VAT discounts as a deduction from gross income.

The proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Senior Citizen's Benefit Act are the product of months of consultations with senior citizens' associations. These consultations are a form of grassroots democracy that our lawmakers should always bear in mind whenever they want to come up with legislation that responds to the actual

needs of various sectors.

As of March 2024, the number of senior citizens in the Philippines was estimated to be around 4.4 million. This is based on the number of senior citizens who had registered with the National Commission of Senior Citizens.

On the other hand, the number of disabled Filipinos stands at 1.57 percent of the total population of 114 million, or 179,000 disabled Filipinos.

Congress is on the right track in giving senior citizens and the disabled more benefits.

After all, the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall promote a just and dynamic social order that will ensure the prosperity of the nation and free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, a rising standard of living and an improved quality of life for all, including senior citizens and the disabled. (*manilastandard.net*)

## Jeopardizing progress

The Philippines for decades has relied on public-private partnerships (PPPs) as a cornerstone of infrastructure development and economic progress—fostering cooperation between the government and the private sector to enhance public services and stimulate growth.

When President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. took office, the significant contributions of PPPs to our country's economy were further highlighted as part of his 10-point agenda for economic renewal and long-term growth. President Marcos Jr. emphasized the need to "encourage private sector engagement and investment for the benefit of the public above all" and "provide legal and regulatory support to public-private partnerships"—a laudable move to address infrastructure gaps and drive economic progress.

The Philippines pioneered the involvement of the private sector in public infrastructure and development projects in Asia. According to a report by the Asian Development Bank, around 116 PPP projects from different sectors from 1990 to 2019 have successfully achieved financial closure. The total investment made in these PPP projects is estimated to be around USD44 billion.

While we have repeatedly seen how PPPs have become instrumental in bringing to life large-scale projects, particularly in the fields of infrastructure, transportation, and social welfare—the contributions of these collaborations are facing a significant threat with

the proposal to expand the Commission on Audit's (COA) jurisdiction over private entities.

Senate Bill 2907 seeks to expand COA's powers to audit private entities engaged in partnerships with the government as well. Aside from the fact that the proposal goes beyond the COA's constitutionally prescribed limits, it also encroaches on the autonomy of private entities. These risks discourage key investors—local and foreign—threatening priority PPPs of the country.

At its core, the proposed amendment jeopardizes the very essence of PPPs.

While the intent of legislative oversight and transparency is laudable, the implications of such a proposal could adversely impact investments by the private sector and potentially stall developments in major infrastructure projects and key partnerships.

Moreover, PPPs clearly define the roles of the involved parties—the public and the private sector. Subjecting the private sector to government audits effectively blurs lines of distinction and creates an environment of uncertainty for both parties. This also creates a chilling effect on the private sector, potentially discouraging them from supporting the government's agenda and thus derailing years of progress.

Private sector confidence is nurtured and sustained by consistent rules in a stable regulatory environment. Subjecting private entities to unwarranted and unnecessary scrutiny creates a discouraging environment for business and investment activity.

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By JOE ZALDARRIAGA

It has long been established that PPPs thrive in an environment of mutual trust and confidence. Under these partnerships, the public and private sectors take on complementary roles, working together to facilitate growth and development for the benefit of the public. By altering the framework under which PPPs operate, the proposed legislative amendment risks damage to years of progress and collaboration. Passing such an amendment also goes against the priority agenda of the Marcos Jr. administration, which has made significant strides in promoting PPPs.

On a global scale, this could also hurt the Philippines' reputation as a lucrative and stable investment destination. Time and time again, we have seen how collaboration between the public and private sector has enabled national progress. With the Philippines aiming to become an upper middle-income country, such legislative amendments are not only discouraging for investors but also potentially damaging to the years of development and progress both the public and private sectors have worked so hard to achieve together.

I appeal to our policymakers to consider the broader implications of such amendments and ensure that legislative action works to enable nation-building instead of derailing it.

## The Marilaque 'Superman' accident and content search

Marilaque Road in Rizal province is a haven for motorcycle riders. Recently, it has been a popular area for stunts and street racing of the two-wheeled vehicle variety. Unfortunately, a tragic accident that occurred in the area has put to light a dangerous hobby among riders that caused the death of a popular "motovlogger" known as the "Superman of Marilaque". The hobby is known as stunt riding on public highways and one of the more popular form of the same is the "Superman" stunt.

The stunt is named after the famous DC comics hero Superman. It has some variations but the more common form of the stunt is a technique where the riders would lie prone on the seat and briefly raise their legs while traversing a curved road at high speed. It is not a new type of stunt as it has been around for years and known in other parts of the world as planking.

A few days ago, two riders were attempting to perform the said technique when they lost control, got entangled and crashed into a group of bystanders and their motorcycles. The famous

vlogger died while the other rider was injured along with some bystanders in the area. In the aftermath of the accident, officials of the Philippine National Police-Highway Patrol Group (PNP-HPG) and the Land Transportation Office (LTO) have reminded the public that stunt riding on public roads is illegal as it is against Republic Act 4163.

Stunt riding per se is not illegal. It is a legitimate form of entertainment or sport as long as the rider is properly trained and the activity is done in a privately owned controlled environment with all the safety features in place for both the rider and more importantly the public. When stunt riding is done in a public place, it is not only illegal but dangerous as well. Despite all the attendant risks of public stunt riding, several riders still insist on continuing these dangerous activities.

What is more disturbing is the reason for the increase in these dangerous stunts. Apparently, the stunt was performed for content. With blogging becoming a popular form of income generation, more and more people are trying to outdo each

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By Atty. Gilberto Lauengco, J.D.

other with ever increasing bizarre and sometimes dangerous content. The internet is slowly being flooded with people doing dangerous activities or stunts to garner more views. Inevitably, these activities will lead to accidents, injuries and as in this case fatalities. Not only are the content creators at risk but the general public as well.

There is also a dangerous mindset growing among new content creators that they have the right to do these stunts and that other people should mind their own business. Some of them even revel in the bashing and criticisms that come their way as it adds more views to their platforms. Perhaps it is time to nip these forms of content before something more tragic happens.

This is my oblique observation.

## Strengthening the fight vs. agricultural smuggling

There is hope on the horizon. The Marcos Jr. administration has taken significant steps to combat agricultural smuggling by enacting the Anti-Agricultural Economic Sabotage Act, or Republic Act (RA) 12022, in October 2024. This groundbreaking legislation repeals the Anti-Agricultural Smuggling Act of 2016 (RA 10845) and introduces more comprehensive measures to tackle the ongoing issue of smuggling, which has long undermined the Philippine agricultural sector.

RA 12022 aims to strengthen the government's anti-smuggling drive by ensuring stricter enforcement and improved implementation measures. The new law broadens the scope of punishable acts, enhances penalties, and provides clear guidelines for inter-agency coordination to tackle illegal trade activities effectively. These advancements address the gaps in the previous legislation, thereby enabling a more robust response to the pervasive problem of agricultural smuggling.

Despite the rampant smuggling of goods in the Philippines, including agricultural products, luxury items, and even illegal drugs, the enforcement of anti-smuggling laws remains inconsistent. Only a handful of individuals, despite numerous arrests for their involvement in smuggling operations, have successfully faced prosecution and jail time. This disparity underscores the challenges in the legal and judicial systems, including issues such as corruption or inefficiency in case handling. Strengthening enforcement mechanisms and ensuring accountability are crucial to breaking this cycle and demonstrating that smuggling will not go unpunished.

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., who once served as concurrent secretary of Agriculture, has emphasized the critical importance of implementing RA 12022. He has directed the Department of Agriculture (DA) to intensify efforts in combating smuggling and protecting the livelihoods of Filipino farmers. The directive aligns with the administration's broader goal of fostering a self-reliant and sustainable agricultural sector.

In a recent demonstration of the administration's commitment to tackling illegal trade, the Department of Agriculture (DA), through its Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI), has blacklisted 10 companies over the past six months for engaging in smuggling and other unlawful agricultural trade practices. DA Secretary Francisco P. Tiu Laurel Jr. stated: "We have blacklisted more companies in the past six months than in the past six years combined." This significant action reflects the government's determination to

ensure compliance with the law and hold violators accountable.

Smuggling poses a serious threat to the Philippine economy, particularly to local farmers who suffer from depressed prices of their agricultural products due to the influx of illegally imported goods. We expect the Marcos administration's intensified anti-smuggling efforts under RA 12022 to mitigate these adverse effects, safeguarding the interests of Filipino farmers and promoting fair trade within the agricultural sector.

Smuggled goods in the Philippines encompass a wide range of items beyond agricultural products. These include watches, fuel, liquor, steel, luxury cars, medicines, clothing, toys, and even illegal drugs. Such items continue to flood retail outlets and flea markets across the country, posing significant challenges to law enforcement and economic stability.

In June 2004, then senator Sergio Osmeña III filed a bill identifying two types of smuggling: technical and outright smuggling. Technical smuggling involves importing goods into the Philippines using fraudulent, falsified, or erroneous declarations to evade the payment of duties, taxes, and compliance with existing regulations. On the other hand, outright smuggling refers to the importation of goods without the necessary documents, permits, or licenses required by law. Osmeña's proposed bill recognized smuggling as a form of "economic sabotage" due to its detrimental impact on national interests, economic growth, and development. It is commendable that today's legislators have recognized the critical importance of this issue and have enacted the proposed measures into law.

The enactment of RA 12022 underscores the administration's resolve to combat agricultural economic sabotage and establish a fair and competitive market environment. By prioritizing the welfare of farmers and strengthening enforcement mechanisms, the Marcos administration aims to foster a thriving agricultural industry that can sustain the nation's food security and economic stability.

I believe what is crucial in addressing the issue of smuggling is the seriousness and political will of various government agencies to enforce the law effectively—particularly in curbing the unchecked entry of smuggled goods into the country.

The Committee on Agriculture conducted a Senate hearing where farmers from Benguet expressed their frustration over the unregulated sale of smuggled agricultural products in their province. Despite carrots being one of

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the region's primary agricultural products grown on its vegetable terraces and the country's prohibition on fresh carrot imports, they reported that smuggled carrots continue to flood markets in Baguio and other municipalities in Benguet. The farmers urged the committee to act decisively, pointing out that identifying warehouses storing smuggled carrots requires only minimal investigation and should promptly lead to raids.

I also urge the Department of Agriculture (DA) to take decisive action against price manipulation and collusion involving basic commodities such as rice and other agricultural products. Despite large-scale rice importation, prices remain persistently high. The government must prevent a recurrence of the 2022 onion price crisis, when prices skyrocketed to an unprecedented PHP700 per kilogram. Similarly, the volatile price of garlic continues to impact daily meals, forcing consumers to use less and even prompting restaurants to reduce portions due to high costs.

It is encouraging that the DA recently blacklisted three companies involved in anti-competitive practices such as price manipulation and collusion. These companies, which held licenses as importers, significantly harmed the Filipino people through their unethical actions. This is a positive step, but sustained vigilance and stronger enforcement measures are essential to protect consumers and ensure fair market practices.

The fight against smuggling and unfair trade practices in the Philippines requires a unified and sustained effort from the government, private sector, and the public. While the enactment of RA 12022 is a significant milestone, its success hinges on the unwavering political will, accountability, and commitment of enforcement agencies to implement the law effectively.

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By safeguarding the livelihoods of farmers, ensuring fair pricing of essential commodities, and holding violators accountable, the government can foster a more equitable and self-reliant agricultural sector. With collective resolve and action, the nation can move closer to achieving economic stability and food security, ensuring a better future for all Filipinos.

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**FULL-TIME OP.** West Visayas State University president Dr. Joselito Villaruz delivers his State of the University Address at the cultural center on Tuesday (Jan. 28, 2025). In an interview, he said the cancer center of the WVSU Medical Center could already operate in full swing with additional 52 staff. (PNA photo by PGLena)

## WVSU cancer center ready to operate full time

ILOILO CITY – The cancer center of West Visayas State University Medical Center (WVSUMC) can now operate full-time with the addition of 52 staff complement.

WVSU president Dr. Joselito Villaruz, in an interview following his State of the University Address on Tuesday, said that at first, they were apprehensive the center would become a white elephant because they don't have enough manpower.

"Just this morning, actually, it was a gift from the Lord that we already have a go signal for the 52 positions and we're very happy. We will now be operating full-time and we now have the money to buy the brachytherapy to supplement the cancer treatments of patients, especially from Western Visayas," Villaruz said.

Villaruz added that they do not want to compete with other cancer centers because they would like to complement other public hospitals in the region by catering to indigent patients.

"We have experts and laboratories to perform the tests," he said.

Patients who want to avail of their services have to be enrolled with the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation to avail of the Z benefit package.

Meanwhile, in his address, Villaruz noted that the University Medical Center "emerged resiliently from the challenges posed by the pandemic."

"We have successfully completed 18 major infrastructure projects, including the inauguration of our molecular laboratory, which significantly supported Covid-19 testing during the pandemic," he said.

He also said they have a newly renovated operating room complex and expanded the renal care center with 20 hemodialysis machines, while their 15-story multi-specialty center is now 40 percent complete.

The facility's annual patient capacity increased to 9,936 in 2024 from 6,468 in 2021, Villaruz said.

"We have also ramped up medical assistance for indigent patients by 7.64 percent, providing a total of PHP255 million in aid," he added. (PNA)

## P6-M irrigation system to double rice production in Antique town

SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique - Farmers could now double their rice production with them already having sufficient water supply for their farm lands.

San Remigio Mayor Margarito Mission, Jr. said in an interview Tuesday that together with the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) Assistant Regional Director Anthony Arostique and the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) officials they turned over to the Osorio I Farmer's Irrigator's Association, Inc. the PHP6 million Communal Irrigation System (CIS) during a ceremony held in Barangay Osorio I on Jan. 27.

"The CIS will provide water to 36 hectares of rain-



**COMMUNAL IRRIGATION SYSTEM.** The communal irrigation system is expected to provide sufficient water supply to the Osorio I Farmer's Irrigator's Association, Inc. in Barangay Osorio I, San Remigio town. The PHP6 million project was turned over to the association on Monday (Jan. 27, 2025) and is eyed to double the rice production of farmer-beneficiaries. (Photo courtesy of San Remigio Local Government Unit)

fed area in Barangay Osorio I," Mission said.

He also said that there are 40 farmers who own and till the rain-fed rice lands who will benefit from the CIS that is implemented under

the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program-Irrigation Component of DAR and NIA.

Before the farmer-beneficiaries were only

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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**  
 X X X  
**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.



**GUN REPLICA.** A gun replica sends a 54-year-old man to jail for election gun ban violation in Bacolod City on Monday (Jan. 27, 2025). The Police Regional Office 6 on Tuesday (Jan. 28) said intensified checkpoint operations across Western Visayas have resulted in the arrest of 21 gun ban violators since the start of the election period on Jan. 12. (Photo courtesy of BCPO)

## Western Visayas logs 21 gun ban violators

**ILOILO CITY** – A total of 21 gun ban violators have so far been arrested in Western Visayas since the start of the election period on Jan. 12, police records showed Tuesday.

The latest to be arrested was a 54-year-old male who was carrying a gun replica while passing through a checkpoint in Barangay Mansilingan–Murcia Road in Bacolod City late Monday night, according to the Police Regional Office 6 (PRO-6).

"During this election period, we have the gun ban, and carrying and bearing of firearm or firearms without a certificate of authority from the Committee on the Ban on Firearms and Security Concern is a violation," PRO-6 spokesperson Lt. Col. Arnel Solis said in a statement.

"Also, gun replicas are included in our gun ban enforcement," he added.

The highest number of apprehensions was logged by the Negros Occidental Police Provincial Office (PPO) with six, followed by Bacolod City Police Office (BCPO) with five.

Capiz PPO recorded four, Iloilo City PO has three, and Aklan PPO, Iloilo PPO and the Regional Mobile Force Battalion 6 have arrested one violator each.

PRO-6 Director Brig. Gen. Jack Wanky commended unit commanders for their strict implementation of the election gun ban.

"Continue the implementation of our Comelec checkpoints in your respective areas of jurisdiction to intercept and arrest those transporting and carrying firearms and deadly weapons without the corresponding authority from the Committee on the Ban on Firearms and Security Concerns," he ordered the commanders.

"Likewise, strictly adhere to our Police Operational Procedure and related policies during the conduct with utmost respect to human rights," Wanky added. (PNA)

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said.

Further, the Capiz Provincial Government Communications Group acknowledged in a Facebook post that the program seeks to improve the conditions of denuded mountainous areas in the province used for corn farming by providing farmers with alternative livelihoods.

To note, PCA information officer Engr. Erica Dorondon pointed out that as of Jan. 27, the PCA has distributed 23,165 coconut seedlings in the province as part of the Kalubihan sa Kamaisan project with the Capiz provincial government.

"Libuton gid na siya ang tanan nga mga municipality nga may mga kamaisan nga kalbo na," Dorondon said, noting that there are ongoing plans to launch the 'Kalubihan sa Kamaisan' Project in the municipalities of Tapaz and Dumarao.

(We will visit all of the municipalities with corn farms that are already denuded). (AGP/PLF/PIA Capiz)



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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 33<sup>rd</sup> 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, MANDURRIAO, 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**  
 Sheriff IV/Sheriff-In-Charge

**WARNING:**

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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-2024-0056-REL-013**

DATE: **JANUARY 22, 2025**

**IN RE: PETITION FOR ADOPTION**  
**OF SOPHIA THERESE GONZALEZ**  
**DIVINAGRACIA**

**VALERIE ANN GONZALEZ VILLAROSA**  
 Petitioner

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**ORDER**

A verified petition for the adoption of Sophia Therese Gonzalez Divinagracia filed by the petitioner through the Regional Alternative Child Care Office (RACCO) praying that the after due notice, publication and appearances, a judgement be rendered to the effect that the adoptee, **Sophia Therese Gonzalez Divinagracia** be declared for all legal intents and purposes the legitimate child of the petitioner and that the name of the child be retained as **SOPHIA THERESE GONZALEZ DIVINAGRACIA**.

Finding the said Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be set for Mandatory Appearance on **April 11, 2025** to be held at **NACC-RACCO VI, 3F, Ana Ros Bldg., Simon-Ledesma St., Jaro, Iloilo City**. 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 for verification and further investigation.

Let a copy of this Order be published at the expense of the Petitioner 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/February 3, 10 & 17, 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

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

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

"Your selflessness in working as volunteers —pro bono— speaks volumes about your passion for Iloilo City and your desire to uplift our local culture and traditions. I am deeply impressed by the countless hours, effort, and personal resources you have contributed to ensure the success of this world-class celebration," he said.

The festival celebration ended with the awarding of prizes to contingents joining the ILOmination Philippine Light Festival, Festive Parade Sponsors Mardi Gras, Kasadyahan sa Kabanwahanan, SadSad Sa Calle Real, and Tribes Competition.

Declared champions were Tribu Paghidaet for Tribes Competition, Tultugan Festival for Kasadyahan sa Kabanwahanan, and Bailes de Luces from La Castellana, Negros Occidental for ILOmination.

Tribu Familia Sagasa was named Darling of the Crowd for the SadSad Sa Calle Real and Jollibee Foods Corporation for the Festive Parade Sponsors Mardi Gras. (PNA)

## Dinagyang Festival wraps up with zero major incidents

ILOILO CITY – The celebration of this year's Dinagyang Festival was "generally peaceful, safe, and secure," with no record of major incidents during the duration of the festivities, based on the assessment of the Iloilo City Police Office (ICPO).

"With no major incidents recorded, the festival once again upheld its reputation as a safe and secure celebration of Iloilo's rich culture and heritage," the ICPO said in a statement on Monday.

Task Group Dinagyang deployed 7,257 police officers, supported by force multipliers and partner agencies, strategically deployed in key areas such as performance venues, food festival

zones, concert sites, parade routes, transportation hubs, and other public spaces.

Minor issues, such as cases of loss of consciousness, hyperventilation, and intoxication, were promptly addressed, ensuring that the festive atmosphere remained uninterrupted, the statement added.

Police Regional Office in Western Visayas (PRO6) regional director Brig. Gen. Jack Wanky also commended the collective efforts that led to the successful staging of the event.

Iloilo City Mayor Jerry Treñas on Sunday also expressed gratitude to the Iloilo Festivals Foundation, Inc. (IFFI) for their "unparalleled dedication and commitment to making Dinagyang 2025 the best festival in the entire Philippines."

# Israeli envoy seeks expansion of agri training program in PH

**ILOILO CITY – Israeli Ambassador to the Philippines Ilan Fluss is pushing to expand Israel's intensive agricultural training program to reach more provinces across the country.**

In a media interview Monday, Fluss emphasized Israel's expertise in growing fruit trees, vegetables, and high-value crops using scientific methods, despite not producing rice or grains.

Fluss said he was happy to bring into the province their knowledge through the Agro Studies program, noting that around 700 Filipino interns have participated in their program through a partnership with the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA).

The program, which lasts 11 months, immerses interns in hands-on training with farmers for five days a week, with one day dedicated to

academic studies and one as day off.

Fluss explained that the program aims to change the interns' mindset, introducing modern farming techniques in various areas such as fruit trees, cut flowers, and vegetables.

"They see how modern farming is done. They get expertise in different areas, fruit trees, cut flowers, vegetables. The idea is after they come back from their internship in Israel, they would introduce the best practices and knowledge to the Philippines," he said.

To further expand the initiative, agreements have been signed with the Department of Agriculture-Agricultural Training Institute while local governments are encouraged to send more interns.

"We want to see how we can work together and improve Philippine agriculture. That is why

we are expanding the partnership," he added.

He said interns need not necessarily be students, but they can come from projects of local government and private sector initiatives.

He also mentioned that TESDA is considering reintegration support for returning interns to help implement their proposed business plans.

Fluss attended the Dinagyang Festival Sunday and held meetings with Iloilo City Mayor Jerry Treñas, Governor Arthur Defensor Jr., and representatives from the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry-Iloilo and West Visayas State University.

Discussions included plans to invite Iloilo's private sector and government officials to an upcoming roadshow featuring Israeli technologies and a webinar on education technology by the end of February. (PNA)



**COURTESY VISIT.** Israeli Ambassador to the Philippines Ilan Fluss (left) pays a courtesy call on Iloilo City Mayor Jerry Treñas on Jan. 24, 2025. In an interview on Monday (Jan. 27), Fluss said he wanted to expand their country's intensive training program on agriculture to reach more provinces across the Philippines. (Photo courtesy of Jerry Treñas FB)

## Antique capital town's solid waste problem reaches 'danger' level

**SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique –** The sanitary landfill of this capital town, which serves 28 villages, is supposed to have a lifespan of at least 10 years since it started operations in 2021.

It is nearly filled to the brim, according to the municipal council.

Councilor Cris John Banusing, chair of the Committee on Environment, said in an interview Tuesday that the local government cannot afford to expand its only sanitary landfill located in Barangay Pantao.

"We need to have at least PHP30 million to construct another cell of the sanitary landfill and we do not have an appropriation for it," Banusing said.

He said the situation of the sanitary landfill is already at the level of danger. The municipality generates 16 tons of solid waste a day, with three tons considered residual or solid waste materials that are non-compostable and non-recyclable.

"There had been a failure in waste segregation at the source, so the sanitary landfill was easily filled up," Banusing said.

He said the council has been orienting village officials and residents to segregate their waste, but there is a failure in the implementation.

He said they contacted a junk shop in Iloilo City that would buy the single-use residual plastics, such as gift wrappers and straws.

"If only the residents strictly practice waste segregation, then there would be almost nothing more to dispose of at the sanitary landfill," Banusing said. (PNA)



**SOCIALIZED HOUSING.** Perspective of the 1,248 units of socialized housing or condominium units proposed by the Ethan Property Developer under the Pambansang Pabahay Para sa Pilipino program in Barangay San Pedro, San Jose de Buenavista, Antique (Image courtesy of Antique Provincial Housing Board)

## Antique, developer to sign agreement for gov't housing project

**SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique –** The Antique provincial government will enter into an agreement with the developer of a socialized housing project under the Pambansang Pabahay Para sa Pilipino (4PH) program.

Antique Housing Board Secretary Eby Archangel Butiong said in an interview Tuesday that the Provincial Board gave Governor Rhodora Cadio the authority to enter into a memorandum of agreement with Ethan Property Developer.

The developer is proposing to build 1,248 units of socialized housing or condominium units in Barangay San Pedro, San Jose de Buenavista town.

"The Antique provincial board, during its regular session Monday, had approved the implementation of the 4PH that would address the housing needs of the provincial government employees and those from different sectors," Butiong said.

Once completed, 636 applicants, mostly employees of the provincial government, will be prioritized.

The agreement is expected to be signed next month, followed by the groundbreaking ceremony. (PNA)



**SEGREGATE.** San Jose de Buenavista Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office conducts orientation on the segregation of solid waste in this undated photo. Cris John Banusing, San Jose de Buenavista municipal council chair of the Committee on Environment, said in an interview Tuesday (Jan. 28, 2025) that their only sanitary landfill in Barangay Pantao is nearly full of solid waste at least five years ahead of its expected capacity. (Photo courtesy of San Jose de Buenavista MENRO)

**WORD SEARCH**  
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| CAMP      | MOUNTAINS  | TENDERBOX  |
| CANOE     | PACKMULE   | TOMAHAWK   |
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**SHRIMP PRIMAVERA**

**INGREDIENTS:**

1 (16 OUNCE) PACKAGE RIGATONI PASTA 1 TABLESPOON VEGETABLE OIL 1 ONION, SLICED 3 CLOVES GARLIC, CRUSHED 1 SMALL ZUCCHINI, SLICED 1 SMALL YELLOW SQUASH, SLICED 1 GREEN BELL PEPPER, SLICED 1 (8 OUNCE) PACKAGE SLICED FRESH MUSHROOMS 1 (28 OUNCE) CAN CRUSHED TOMATOES 1 TEASPOON DRIED OREGANO 1 TEASPOON DRIED BASIL 1/2 TEASPOON RED PEPPER FLAKES 1/4 TEASPOON SALT 1/4 TEASPOON GROUND BLACK PEPPER 2 POUNDS SHRIMP, PEELED AND DEVEINED

**Directions:**

Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Cook rigatoni in the boiling water, stirring occasionally until cooked through but firm to the bite, about 13 minutes. Drain. Heat vegetable oil in a skillet over medium heat; cook and stir onion and garlic until onion is tender, about 5 minutes. Add zucchini, yellow squash, bell peppers, and mushrooms; continue cooking and stirring until vegetables are tender, about 5 minutes more. Pour tomatoes into skillet and season with oregano, basil, red pepper flakes, salt, and black pepper; bring to a simmer. Cook shrimp in vegetables sauce until they are bright pink on the outside and the meat is no longer transparent in the center, about 5 minutes. Serve shrimp and sauce over rigatoni.

**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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**HARD**

**DRINKING LIKE CRAZY**

A man walks into a bar and says "Bartender gimme a triple shot of Jack".  
 The bartender pours, and the man downs it, slams the glass on the bar and says "Another".  
 The bartender pours another. The man downs it and says "Another".  
 As the bartender pours the third glass he says, "Mister you drink like you have a problem. Want to talk about it?"  
 The man says, "Ten years, ten years I've been married to my wife, and today I go home a little early to surprise her, and I find my best friend, MY BEST FRIEND, in bed having sex with her."  
 The bartender says "Geez, what did you say."  
 The man says " I told him, BAD DOG! BAD DOG!"

**over the HEDGE**

BY T. LEWIS & MICHAEL FRAY



**HOROSCOPE**

**ARIES**  
 March 21 - April 19  
 If you aren't traveling today, Aries, you will likely take a big trip soon. It seems that you will be sharing a room with someone special. A close friend or significant other may accompany you. You can look forward to all the romantic possibilities that come with exploring new lands together. It's bound to be a wonderful trip.

**TAURUS**  
 April 20 - May 20  
 If you wake up this morning and feel glued to the bed, perhaps that's where you should spend the day, Taurus. You've been working hard and long these past few weeks. It only makes sense that your body would rebel eventually. This is a day for rest and relaxation. The office will survive without you. Call in sick and then turn off the phone. You're likely to sleep better than you have in a long time.

**GEMINI**  
 May 21 - June 21  
 Pay attention today, Gemini. There may be some unethical behavior occurring at work, and it could trigger some long-buried anger. You may have difficulty keeping your emotions in check, but you need to. Honest communication is the only way you can get through this day. Once you've calmed down, you might want to approach the person who's behaving irresponsibly.

**CANCER**  
 June 22 - July 22  
 Check and double-check any information that comes your way today, Cancer. There's deception and discontent in the air, which is an unfortunate combination under any circumstances. Research before you judge. Gossip is likely to fly around the office. Run for cover when necessary. You don't want to get involved in this particular round of office politics.

**LEO**  
 July 23 - August 22  
 Don't take your bank or portfolio statement at face value today, Leo. Financial errors are likely. Someone may want you to see things from his or her viewpoint, which may not be based on fact. Check and double-check important figures that cross your desk. You're the only one you can trust to truly work in your best interests. It's time to put your mind to use and work on your own behalf.

**VIRGO**  
 Aug. 23 - Sept. 22  
 You won't feel particularly social today, Virgo. You'd be happiest at home with a good book, a good meal, and no contact with the outside world. Alas, such solitude isn't always possible. You may have to balance your need for isolation with obligations to colleagues. Part of your grumpiness might be due to a physical imbalance. Make it an early night and you will wake tomorrow with a new attitude.

**LIBRA**  
 Sept. 23 - Oct. 22  
 All isn't quiet at home today, Libra. There's tension in the air. You can't shake the feeling that someone is lying. You're a peacemaker by nature, so your inclination is to suppress your suspicions. In this instance, your instincts are right. The person withholding information is doing it for your own good and will come to you once the situation has been resolved. You can all laugh about it then.

**SCORPIO**  
 Oct. 23 - Nov. 21  
 It's strange how past incidents can still cause such pain in the present. Today you may feel overwhelmed by memories of a particularly traumatic incident. No one is more surprised than you by your reaction. You felt sure you'd addressed this issue and put it behind you. Apparently there's still work to be done, Scorpio.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
 Nov. 22 - Dec. 21  
 It's apparent that something underhanded and unethical is occurring at your job today, Sagittarius. Co-workers could try to manipulate situations and take advantage of proprietary information to use to their own benefit. Steer clear of office politics and refrain from participating in any gossip. Trust your instincts. You know who can and who can't be trusted.

**CAPRICORN**  
 Dec. 22 - Jan. 19  
 Don't trust anyone today, not even people you consider friends, Capricorn. There are indications of deception all around, especially at work. Someone may be keeping something from you or even manipulating information to his or her own advantage. Be sure to check the facts of any situation. Don't take anyone's word for anything. This is a good day to take your own advice rather than someone else's.

**AQUARIUS**  
 Jan. 20 - Feb. 18  
 Don't trust anything related to money or contracts today, Aquarius. This isn't a good day to enter into any kind of contract, whether it's starting an investment program, negotiating a salary, or changing banks. There's a lot of miscommunication and misunderstanding in the air. You may think you understand what you're signing, but you may not. Save legal and financial matters for another day.

**PISCES**  
 Feb. 19 - March 20  
 This isn't the day for contracts or legal work of any kind, Pisces. You may think you understand everything about a document, but it's likely you don't. The atmosphere is ripe for misinformation and misunderstanding. You will be well served today if you keep to yourself and do your work carefully and systematically. The legal documents can wait for another day.

**DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE 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 G. GEQUINIANA**. That, the said heirs/adjudicatees hereby SOLD, CEDED, CONVEYED and TRANSFERRED by way of Absolute Sale a portion of the above-said property **Lot 3488-B** with an area of **ONE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE (145) square meters, more or less** in favor of **JOELIBER ESCLADA GERSANIVA**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MA. SONNETTE V. SEVILLE DAQUITA** per Doc. No. 262, Page No. 53, Book No. XV, Series of 2021.

NE/February 3, 10 & 17, 2025

**DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL PARTITION AND ADJUDICATION**

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **FLORENCIA L. MAGBANUA** known as a parcel of land **Lot No. 9492-D-3, Psd 06-011905** being a portion of **Lot No. 9402-D** of the **Subdivision Plan 35375** covered by **Transfer Certificate of Title No. 16259** situated in Tolarucan, Mina, Iloilo with an area of **SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED THIRTY (7,930) square meters, more or less** is adjudicated to surviving heirs **EVELYN L. MAGBANUA, EDEN L. MAGBANUA, and MONENA PADERNAL-MAGBANUA**. That, the herein heirs/adjudicatees agreed to subdivide and partition among themselves the herein mentioned lot into **six (6) sublots** as prepared by **Geodetic Engineer Jose S. Manosa, Jr.** identified as follows: **Lot No. 9492-D-3-A, Lot No. 9492-D-3-B, Lot No. 9492-D-3-C, Lot No. 9492-D-3-D, Lot No. 9493-D-3-E, and 9493-D-3-F**, as entered in the notarial registry of **Atty. Dennis T. Ventilacion** per Doc. No. 251, Page No. 52, Book No. V, Series of 2022.

NE/Feb. 3, 10 & 17, 2025

**GENERAL NOTICE**

Notice is hereby served to the Public that **MICHELLE G. MARAHAY** with business address at Poblacion, Nueva Valencia, Guimaras has filed with **MARINA Regional Office VI** for re-issuance of Certificate of Ownership and Recreational Boat Certificate due to a Change of Ownership from **BAYANI & RUBY ANN TALABAN** to **MICHELLE G. MARAHAY** of the vessel named: **MBCA "RB TRANS 2"**. Any person or entity adversely affected by said claim may file their written opposition with Maritime Industry Authority Regional Office VI, MARINA Bldg., De La Rama St., Iloilo City within ten (10) days from the date of posting.

**GENERAL NOTICE**

Notice is hereby served to the Public that **BORACAY SPLASH ISLAND INC.** with business address at Balabag, Boracay Island, Nabas, Aklan has filed with **MARINA Regional Office VI** for re-issuance of Certificate of Ownership and Certificate of Philippine Registry due to a Change of Ownership from **GERMIE G. GABASA** to **BORACAY SPLASH ISLAND INC.** and Change of Vessel Name from **MBCA "KAY & DONG 1"** to **MBCA "SPLASH PB 1"**. Any person or entity adversely affected by said claim may file their written opposition with Maritime Industry Authority Regional Office VI, MARINA Bldg., De La Rama St., Iloilo City within ten (10) days from the date of posting.



**SOMBILLA**  
DENTAL LABORATORY

Hoskyn's Compound Guanco St., Iloilo City  
Cell# 0927-9960389 Tel. No. 3351367

**ANDRESITO SOMBILLA, JR.**  
Owner

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reliant on the rain for them to be able to plant rice that is why they could only plant once a year during the rainy season.

"If a farmer could only harvest 50 sacks of rice in a year, but with the CIS they could already plant twice a year enabling them to double their production," he said.

He said that farmer-beneficiaries could now plant during the dry and rainy season with the CIS already.

The irrigation system then sources out water from the nearby Osorio Creek.

Mission also said that in his message during the turnover ceremony that he assured the farmer's association of the local government unit (LGU) assistance such as in the maintenance of the CIS. (PNA)

Republic of the Philippines  
Local Civil Registry Office  
Province of Iloilo  
Municipality of Calinog

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **ARLENE CASTILLO ONELLA** has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name of her brother's from **MARY ARLENE** to **ARLENE** in the birth certificate of **MARY ARLENE RENDAJE CASTILLO** who was born on **May 2, 1968** at **CALINOG, ILOILO** and whose parents are **FLORENCIO CASTILLO** and **PERPETUA RENDAJE**.

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

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

NE/Feb. 3, 2025 & Feb. 10, 2025

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

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

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 **BILLY VALENZUELA BELLEZA** has filed with this Office a Petition for Correction of entry in the **SEX** from "**FEMALE**" to "**MALE**" and Correction of entry in the **Date of Birth** from "**May 6, 1988**" to "**May 26, 1988**" in the **Certificate of Live Birth** of **BILLY VALENZUELA BELLEZA** who was born on **May 26, 1988** at **Anilao, Iloilo** and whose parents are **Armando T. Belleza** and **Dolores P. Valenzuela**.

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

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

NE/Feb. 3, 2025 & Feb. 10, 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 **CECILE M. MALQUERIDO**, 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 **CECILE ALISON MONDEGA** who was born on **SEPTEMBER 29, 1980** at **MAASIN, ILOILO** and whose parents are **RAMONA MONTEFRIO ALISON** and **FLORENTINO TUAZON MONDEGA**.

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

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

NE/Feb. 3, 2025 & Feb. 10, 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,

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**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 33<sup>rd</sup> 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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## NOTICE OF AUCTION SALE ON REMATADOS OF M. LHUILLIER PAWNSHOPS

### Iloilo and Guimaras Branches at

Molo, Avancena, Villa, Guanco, Rizal, Mandurriao 1, De Leon, Mandurriao 2, Guzman, Ledesma, San Agustin, SM Jewellers, Ilonga, Iznart, Lapaz 1, Lapaz 2, Bo. Obrero, Jaro 1, Jaro 2, Jaro 3, Jaro 4, Jaro 5, Jaro 6, Tagbak, Ungka, Burgos Lapaz, Rotunda, JM Basa.

Commencing **February 17, 2025** at 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon those above mentioned pawnshops will sell on Public Auction Sale on all overdue pledges left in the same up to August 1-31, 2024. Patrons are enjoined to verify their receipts.

#### MANAGEMENT

Sa **Pebrero 17, 2025** alas 9:00 sa aga asta 12:00 sa ucto ang takna nga iga subasta sa publiko ang tanan nga na remati sa nahinambitan nga opisina sa ibabaw. Ang tanan nga butang nga gin prenda nga wala ma gawad asta sa Agosto 1-31, 2024, madala sa subasta . Gina pahibalo ang tanan nga suki nga pagatan awon ang ila tagsa ka resibo.

#### TAGDUMALAHAN

Mohon, Oton, San Jose San Miguel, Tigbauan, Guimbal, Tubungan, Igaras, Miag ao, San Joaquin, Alimodian, Leon, San Miguel, Jibao an, Pavia, Sta Barbara, New Lucena, Cabatuan, Ayaman, Maasin, Arroyo, Leganes, Zarraga, Jalaud, Bolong Oeste.

Commencing **February 18, 2025** at 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon those above mentioned pawnshops will sell on Public Auction Sale on all overdue pledges left in the same up to August 1-31, 2024. Patrons are enjoined to verify their receipts.

#### MANAGEMENT

Sa **Pebrero 18, 2025** alas 9:00 sa aga asta 12:00 sa ucto ang takna nga iga subasta sa publiko ang tanan nga na remati sa nahinambitan nga opisina sa ibabaw. Ang tanan nga butang nga gin prenda nga wala ma gawad asta sa Agosto 1-31, 2024, madala sa subasta . Gina pahibalo ang tanan nga suki nga pagatan awon ang ila tagsa ka resibo.

#### TAGDUMALAHAN

Jordan, Jordan Pier, Calingao, Guimaras, Nueva Valencia, San Lorenzo, Sibunag, Cabalagnan, San Miguel Jordan.

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#### TAGDUMALAHAN

Ex-mayor  
Mabilog grateful  
to Marcos  
for granting  
executive  
clemency

ILOILO CITY – Former mayor Jed Patrick Mabilog has expressed gratitude to President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. for granting him executive clemency in connection with his 2017 administrative case, attributing the decision to his past accomplishments as Iloilo City's local chief executive.

"It is adjudication, it is a restoration. And I thank President Bongbong Marcos Jr., for giving me this opportunity to be able to vote and exercise my right to vote and to be voted upon," he said on Monday as he addressed his supporters following a thanksgiving mass at his residence in Barangay Tap-oc in Molo District.

"I again commit myself to the best service of the Filipino people according to what the President believed in – that is to do what is morally right rather than what is politically correct," he added.

Mabilog received a copy of the seven-page decision on Jan. 24, signed by Executive Secretary Lucas Bersamin by the authority of the President and dated Jan. 15, 2025.

The former mayor filed the petition seeking to remove the administrative penalties meted by the Sandiganbayan in its Oct. 23, 2017 decision, which found him guilty of grave misconduct, serious dishonesty, and conduct prejudicial to the best interest of service in line with the implementation of Iloilo City's clamping and towing ordinance.

Mabilog said the President recognized his achievements in good governance, the fight against illegal drugs, and the numerous awards and recognitions Iloilo City received under his leadership.

He also extended his thanks to Iloilo City Lone District Rep. Julianne Baronda and her family for their support.

Mabilog shared that he plans to return to private life for the next three years and spend time with his family in the United States.

A thanksgiving mass was held at his residence in Barangay Tap-oc, Molo district, attended by his supporters. (PNA)

## ILOILO METRO PAWNSHOP, INC.

*Simon Ledesma, St. Jaro, Iloilo City*

### NOTICE

This is to inform the public that on **FEB. 7, 2025**, an AUCTION SALE will be held at **9:00 A.M.** for all unredeemed jewelries & articles, the conditions of which have expired.

#### THE MANAGEMENT

### PAHIBALO

Ginapahibalo ang tanan nga sa **PEBRERO 7, 2025 alas 9:00** sa aga pagahiwaton ang baligya-anay sang mga alahas kag pagkabutang nga wala magawad nga sa diin ang mga plasos nga ginkasugtanan natapos na.

#### ANG TAGDUMALAHAN

## AGENCIA G.B., INC.

*C.K. Building Mapa St., Iloilo City*

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#### THE MANAGEMENT

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#### ANG TAGDUMALAHAN

## AGENCIA CENTRAL

*168 Aldeguer Street, Iloilo City*

### NOTICE

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#### The Management

### PAHIBALO

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#### Ang Tagdumalahan

**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. Fortuno** 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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**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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**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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**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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**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION**

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. 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

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**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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