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FARMERS ... (from page 1)

Defensor Jr. along with the municipal and barangay officials led by Mayor Ian Kenneth Alfeche, Vice Mayor Geefre Alonsabe, and Punong Barangay Henry Canindo.

Vice gubernatorial candidate and Anilao Mayor Nathalie Ann Debuque along with Provincial Engineer Romeo Andig also joined the inauguration of the said project.

Mr. Roger Ambid, a barangay kagawad of the said area and also a member of the farming community, recalled the major challenges such as carrying the tomatoes and bananas on their shoulders, passing through Barangay Buga on the way to the town of Leon.

Ambid also expressed his gratitude to Gov. Defensor and the Provincial Government for the project, which improved mobility and expanded market opportunities for farmers.

On the other hand, Defensor also thanked the barangay officials for their contribution in the road project's completion which is one of the provincial government's priorities.

Defensor also announced the upcoming projects for the said municipality including the construction of typhoon-resilient classrooms and a covered gym that will serve as an evacuation center.

LORI FUNDAL ... (from page 1)

Lori Fundal Pilatan has so far published nine books through Kindle Direct Publishing (Amazon).

Additionally, Lori Fundal Pilatan will also lead the launching of their family charity, Pilatan Clan Charity Incorporated (PCCI), in collaboration with her cousins in Canada. She said all the royalties from her book sales will go toward supporting their charity.

"I strongly believe that God gave me this gift to help those less fortunate than I am. We are not wealthy family, but I believe that while we can't change the world, we can change one life at a time," she said, adding "I also hold Mother Teresa's words close to my heart: 'It's not how much we give, but how much love we put in giving.'"



MORE Power launches Harvest Festival to support sustainability and local farmers

Iloilo City's sole power company, MORE Power, gathered farmers and the City Agriculture Office to celebrate its 5th anniversary with the Harvest Festival.

Since its inception, it has helped farmers by providing technological and logistical assistance. The Harvest Festival stands as a testament to its long-term commitment to sustainability and community development.

By maintaining the trees and plants from past initiatives, this program continues to support food security, sustainable agriculture, and local farmers in partnership with the City Agriculture Office, Allied Botanical Corporation, and Uswag Nursery.

"We recognize that this represents more than just corporate social responsibility, they symbolize the growth and journey of our company. Entertwined with the wellbeing of our environment and the community. Just as the plants or the seeds we have donated flourished, we are dedicated to ensure their success," says Ma. Cristina D. Cabalhin - VP, Marketing and Corporate Affairs.

MORE Power employees actively participated in the harvest, purchasing the produce they gathered as a way to support local farmers.

"Kabay pa sa MORE dugang pa gid nga support sa farmers nga luwas sang seeds may ma dugang pa gid sila support sa farmers," says Rizaldo Quino Portillo, President, Brgy. Camalig Vegetable Association.

Through seed distribution, crop monitoring, and educational activities, MORE Power ensures that past green efforts keep growing while helping farmers adopt better farming techniques.

"Not Only nga naga provide sa power kag services, may ara siya part nga ginatan-aw niya ang kapakanan sa atun food providers,



MORE Power employees join the farmers in the Harvest Festival as part of the company's 5th Anniversary celebration.

food sources naton. Nakita naton nga isa sina sa marginalized sector naton ang atun mangunguma. Pero importante sila kay nagapakaon sila sa urban setting," says Inigo Garingalao, City Agriculture Office.

"This year ang goal ni MORE Power is sustainability. Gusto ta mabal-an kung may impact gid man ang seeds nga gin-donate ni MORE Power. Ga conduct kami technical

assistance kag educational para makatulod sa farmers kung paano sila mag tanum sang mga specific nga seeds. Gusto man namon mag introduce sang new technology sa mga farmers. Quarterly na ini siya matabo," says Janine Diones, Marketing Officer More Power. For five years and beyond, MORE Power remain dedicated to powering a healthier, greener future for Iloilo City.

EX VP LENI ... (from page 1)

vice president and her team, with whom he shared the same vision and passion for progress.

"I can still remember, during my first term as mayor, I also had a study tour in Naga City where I learned about their housing initiatives, their relocation sites, as well as the perimeter boundary ordinance for out-of-town jeeps and buses," Treñas shared.

His contemporaries at that time included the late Mayor Jesse Robredo, husband of Leni, and then Mayors Mary Jane C. Ortega and Marides Fernando of San Fernando City, La Union and Marikina City, respectively - all equally distinguished leaders.

Treñas noted that, alongside Mayor Jesse and Mayor Ortega, they served as speakers in international learning seminars for local government units (LGUs) and at the World Economic Forum in Johannesburg, South Africa and Vancouver, Canada.

Meanwhile, together with Mayor Fernando, they gave lectures to the first candidates for the initial LGU elections in Indonesia, funded by the World Bank.

"Being a city mayor, learning is never-ending. We always learn something new every day," the local chief executive expressed.

Treñas said just like other LGUs that visited the city to benchmark, Iloilo City is elated to also share its best practices and programs to Naga City.

He remarked that before, he went to several cities like Naga City to learn, and now everyone is going to Iloilo to learn from the city.

WVMC ... (from page 1)

all throughout the region so this could navigate our patients from the lower levels of care like primary health centers, the level one hospitals, and level two hospitals towards WVMC as the end-referral hospital or the subspecialty hospital for the region," said Dr. Lemuel Umahag, Assistant Chief Medical Professional Staff for Specialty Centers.

Umahag noted that the channeling of the referrals must come from the primary care centers such as barangay and municipal health centers to the level 1 hospitals (district hospitals), Level 2 (provincial hospitals), and tertiary care hospitals.

Umahag emphasized that the referral system also comes with a screening on the patient's degree of medical condition in case there are primary cases and or priority cases that could be managed in the primary care centers before directing into other levels of hospitals.

He also stressed that there will be enhancement and

"As leaders like Leni, we all strive for continued progress in our respective cities, and this can be replicated by other LGUs," Treñas said.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, he recalled the assistance of the former Vice President, who donated P7 million worth of COVID-19 test kits and an RT-PCR machine for the city and province of Iloilo.

Iloilo City continues to serve as a model for other LGUs due to its fast-growing economy and sustainable practices.

Under Mayor Treñas' current term, close to 50 LGUs have benchmarked in Iloilo City. Among them are the LGUs of Masbate, Albay, Koronadal City, Pampanga, Cuyo (Palawan), Zamboanga, Valencia City (Bukidnon), Barangay North Fairview (Quezon City), San Fernando (La Union), Alangalang (Leyte), Tagbilaran City (Bohol), Angeles City, Don Carlos (Bukidnon), and Dulag (Leyte).

Several impactful projects have been carried out by the Treñas administration, including the Iloilo City Nutrition Center, Iloilo City Action and Resilience (ICARE) centers, dialysis centers, the legislative building and other essential infrastructures, and the redevelopment of open spaces, public plazas and markets.

The city has also received multiple awards and recognitions under Treñas' leadership, with several outstanding offices earning various citations.

Iloilo City has been praised for its sustained cleanliness and environmental initiatives. (GSTayona/Iloilo City PIO)

proper coordination of the referrals through the said system.

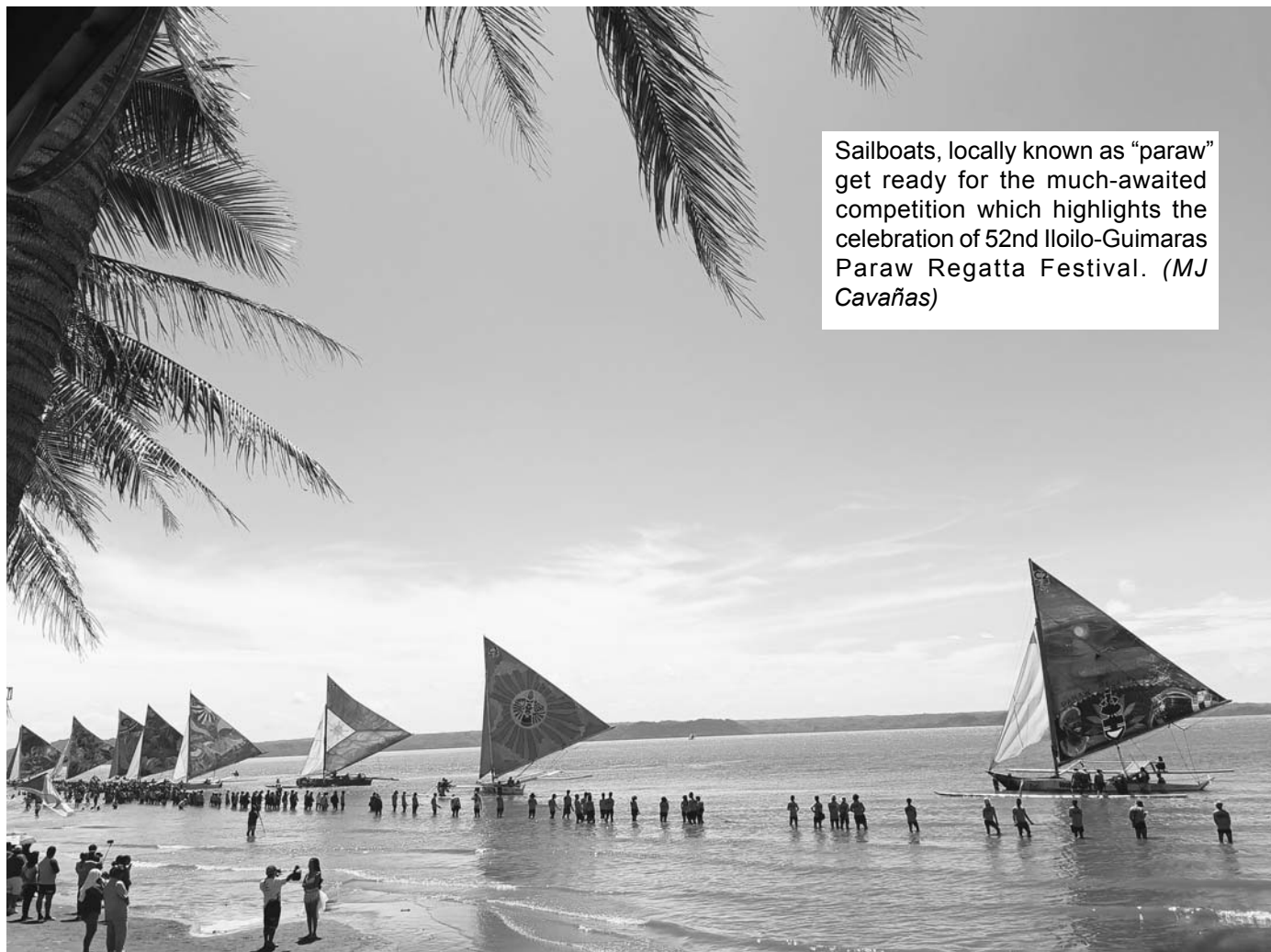
"As much as possible we have a guide where to refer to these patients because the essence of referrals is that there is proper coordination and patients are being channeled to the appropriate level of care facilities that they are supposed to be managed," said Umahag.

On the other hand, Dr. Joseph Dean Nicolo Medical Center Chief II, noted that they eye to decongest about 30 to 40 percent of their hospital beds in terms of primary and secondary cases and also plan to cater other tertiary cases.

Meanwhile, WVMC is one of the level 3 hospitals in Western Visayas with 425-bed capacity that provides medical services to different areas in the region.

The said level 3 hospital also aims to enhance healthcare accessibility, strengthening referral mechanisms, and ensuring seamless patient care across all levels of the healthcare system through the comprehensive referral system manual.

52nd Iloilo-Guimaras Paraw Regatta Festival triumphs in 2025



Sailboats, locally known as “paraw” get ready for the much-awaited competition which highlights the celebration of 52nd Iloilo-Guimaras Paraw Regatta Festival. (MJ Cavañas)

By MARY JOY CAVAÑAS

THE celebration of 52nd Iloilo-Guimaras Paraw Regatta Festival successfully paved its way in 2025.

With the theme “Sailing Blue Waters on this Green Earth”, the event featured sports and cultural events from February 28 to March 2, emphasizing environmental conservation and cultural preservation.

This year’s festival highlighted Iloilo’s vibrant culture with events like Sinamba sa Paraw Regatta, Pinta Tawo, Paraw Lechon Contest, and the Paraw Main Race.

The week-long event was also composed of various activities such as Pinta Layag, Volleyball Tournaments, Aquathlon, HIIT IT, Slalom Race, Clean-up Drive, Lighted Paraw, and Fireworks Display.

During one of the festival’s events, Sinamba sa Paraw Regatta on March 1, Grupo Ilonggo De Saltadores of Jalandoni Memorial National High School was hailed as this year’s champion while Grupo del Oeste of West Visayas

State University PESCAR bagged the first place, and Grupo Bailarines del Manduryaw of Mandurriao National High School got the second place.

On March 2, The Paraw Main Race Competition, was joined by 44 vibrant paraws and sailed a 30-kilometer route from Arevalo’s coast to Guimaras and back.

The main race had three categories:

- * Category A - 17 participants (boats 24-25 feet)
- * Category B - 17 participants (boats 29-30 feet)
- * Category C - 10 participants (boats 38-40 feet)

Additionally, the Paraw Main Race Winners for the different categories are the following:

Category A:

- * Champion: Boat LD
- * 1st Runner-Up: Boat RHEDA JET
- * 2nd Runner-Up: Boat KOKOY

Category B:

- * Champion: Boat MAPHINE JANE
- * 1st Runner-Up: Boat KISS

Home Word Wall

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Word recognition is critical to the development of young learners’ reading ability from being a beginning reader to becoming a fluent reader. Constant exposure to printed texts not just in school but also at home is one way that would lead to one’s improvement in learning to read.

Young children are naturally curious and would ask almost everything they see, hear, feel and think. Setting up a simple home word wall would provide valuable opportunities for learning at home. It is a place where a collection of words is posted on this wall. Finding the right location and its accessibility is necessary. Parents also need to be supportive to their child’s reading journey to make this wall become functional and a successful source of learning.

Different reading activities can be done using this word wall. Among them are word coloring and designing, chanting the word, writing the word, using letter tiles to mix, fix and build the words and other fun and creative activities. This word wall could also serve as spelling aides during writing activities. Children could look up the words they weren’t sure how to spell. It helps them acquire and retain new words more effectively. More independent kids can use word walls for self-learning. It encourages them to explore and use language confidently.

Word walls are more than just a display of words. They are a dynamic, interactive resource that supports reading skills, vocabulary development, and writing proficiency. It is a simple yet powerful strategy that yields lasting benefits for young learners.

* 2nd Runner-Up: Boat DEDING

Category C:

* Champion: Boat MARJONEC

* 1st Runner-Up: Boat VAUGHN

* 2nd Runner-Up: Boat GOOD SHOT BABY

At the opening ceremony, Iloilo City Mayor Jerry Treñas highlighted Paraw Regatta’s strong community spirit just like other festivals, saying it reflects a lasting commitment to tradition and its evolution over time.

Meanwhile, Treñas also announced that Paraw Regatta Festival will be representing Iloilo at the Aliwan Fiesta 2026.

W. Visayas police told: Intensify anti-drug campaign

ILOILO CITY – Drug operatives in Western Visayas were ordered to sustain their aggressive campaign amid successful operations in the region last month.

Brig. Gen. Jack Wanky, the region’s top cop, directed them to further intensify their intelligence gathering, operations against

drug syndicates and engagement with various stakeholders.

Data released by the regional office showed that in February, the regionwide operations yielded around PHP40 million worth of shabu and marijuana, lower by PHP5 million when compared to their accomplishment in January.

Police Regional Office 6 spokesperson Lt. Col. Arnel Solis on

Thursday said Wanky has a standing order for them to “intensify information gathering and continue the aggressive operations against those engaging in illegal drug activity across the region.”

The 254 regional operations in February yielded more than 5.8 kg. of shabu with an estimated value of PHP39.67 million and over 2.5 kg. of marijuana worth PHP302,000 and arrested 334 suspects.

The biggest haul came from the Bacolod City Police Office with PHP11.1 million worth of drugs, followed by the Iloilo Police Provincial Office with PHP10.8 million and the Iloilo City Police Office with PHP9.4 million.

Wanky said these accomplishments reflect the collective efforts of the police, community, local government units, and other law enforcement agencies.

The suspects are now facing charges for violation of Republic Act 9165, the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002. (PNA)



SUSTAINED CAMPAIGN. A drug-bust operation in Barangay Calumpang in Molo, Iloilo City, on Feb. 25, 2025. Drug operatives are told to sustain their efforts against illegal drugs. (Photo courtesy of ICPO)

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The analogy said it all

Last Sunday, I invited a very successful, rich but embattled older man to attend church and reconnect with his “Christian” roots. I was very honored that he agreed to attend and even came with his wife.

In order to meet up with them, I had to drive three hours from Lobo, Batangas and be at Victory Christian Fellowship-Estancia just a little before the 4 p.m. service. As usual, “the enemy” threw a monkey wrench into my plans. We received a call that my sister, who was visiting from New Zealand, had to be taken to the emergency room.

It was unfortunate and inconvenient but came as no surprise. Lesson 1: When any of us attempt to minister to others, especially those seeking the Lord or trying to reconnect with church, the devil will surely complicate matters and obstruct your plans. The choice was going to my sister or go to church?

God makes a way and, in this case, my wife Karen became designated caregiver while I rolled out the welcome mat for my friend and his wife. The second constant I have observed among people who “visit or return to church” is that the preaching is almost always on point or a bullseye.

In the case of my “rich but not so young” friend, the preaching for the service was the story of “The Rich Young Ruler” who was deeply religious and wanted to know what else he needed to do to inherit eternal life. Half of me shook my head in disbelief, the other half silently chuckled.

Most of us, if not all of us, have heard the story of the Rich Young Ruler in the Bible and like the subject, we go away finding it difficult to even think of selling all or give away everything to the poor, much less going into ministry. The rest of us don’t see ourselves as rich or in the ruling class. Either way, “It ain’t easy.”

The “youngish pastor” Dennis Sy, who used to live the “Tsinoy Rich Life,” started out by sharing that in Jewish culture then, being rich was associated with being blessed by God and therefore aligned with God’s will.

The challenge for many people, or what creates confusion, is their unfamiliarity with how Jesus/God talks and operates. Beginning with Abraham down to the Rich Young Ruler, God challenges us in order to see how we react, and to know where our heart is.

The Rich Young Ruler operated from religiosity and not familiarity. Jesus was addressing the young guy directly and “rulers” or bosses just like him who have put in so much to acquiring wealth they have become “slaves” to wealth or “captives” of the lifestyle. The lesson is not generic or applies to all.

While he acknowledged Jesus Christ as “teacher,” it is safe to say that he had no personal or working relationship with Jesus. He did not ask Jesus to elaborate, he did not ask “Teacher, why and how?” – he simply walked away grieving, thinking of all his possessions.

To drive the point home, Pastor Dennis used a standard size carry on suitcase with wheels like many of us use. From there, he recreated a familiar scene at many local airports and budget airline check-in counters.

As he “enters,” St. Peter stops him and says, sorry your baggage is oversized and won’t fit the metal cage that measures correct size and weight. He insists that it’s not heavy, it has all his valuable possessions and he needs to bring it through.

I really thought Pastor Dennis was going to do what many Filipinos do: spread everything on the floor, choose between light and heavy, bulky vs squishy and repack using an eco-bag.

But when he opened up the carry-on suitcase,

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he took out an even smaller carry-on suitcase and once again insisted on bringing his choice possessions in a smaller bag. The thing is, we all willingly give up what’s not important or does not affect us.

I loved the analogy because every Filipino can relate to it. We bring all the weighty or heavy stuff as hand carry. In spite of being told about restrictions, weight limits and enough time to prepare and follow, we stubbornly assume we can haggle or insist.

But the reality is most of the time, we pay a very stiff price for excess weight in our baggage, our bodies and our life. While many people envy the rich and famous, we are ignorant of their high cost for maintenance of homes, businesses, lifestyle, etc. Some are living with a zoo full of white elephants.

One important thing to consider in today’s topic is that the story of the Rich Young Ruler was about Jesus calling on the young man to seek eternal life and not just the material life. Jesus actually invited him to be part of his team. Jesus stayed, the young man walked away.

It was a timely “check-up” similar to annual physicals. The young man thought he was on the right direction: “been there, done that” but discovered he had the wrong conclusion, much like someone climbing 20 stories to discover he climbed the wrong building.

For many of us, it is not even the great possessions nor is it about the money that God wants to deal with. It is about our will versus letting God’s will be done. The one who has the most toys does not have the most fun, he has the bigger mess.

Still a dirty money haven

Now that the Philippines, after missing its deadline, finally managed to get out of the gray list of countries under tighter monitoring by the Financial Action Task Force or FATF, the global dirty money watchdog may want to take a look at one of the biggest financial laundromats in this country: campaign finance.

Pressure from the Paris-based anti-money laundering FATF compelled the government, among other things, to tighten supervision of casino junkets and strengthen its framework for combating terrorism financing. The complete ban on Philippine offshore gaming operations and the local POGO copycat IGL or internet gaming licensee also helped.

While Philippine officials are patting themselves on the back, several nongovernment organizations are lamenting that the exit from the gray list was achieved partly at their expense, with their assets frozen and restrictions imposed for being classified as supporters of terrorist groups.

Several of these NGOs have been linked by government security officials to the Communist Party of the Philippines and New People’s Army. The CPP and NPA are designated as terrorist organizations not only in the Philippines but also in the United States and the European Union.

The exit from the FATF gray list means the country is seen to have made significant progress in strengthening measures against money laundering and financing of terrorism.

Officials have stressed that exiting the list does not mean money laundering has been eliminated. Which is just as well, since Filipinos will laugh if told that the exit means the country is no longer a money laundering haven.

Some quarters are even hoping that the FATF will also exert pressure on the government for the passage of legislation for genuine campaign finance reforms and easing of bank secrecy laws.

Members of all Congresses since the restoration of democracy in 1986, with their powerful self-preservation instincts, have tossed out all proposals for regulating election campaign finance and lifting of the world’s toughest bank secrecy laws.

Defanged by lawmakers and the judiciary, all that the Commission on Elections (Comelec) has managed to impose is a requirement for all candidates, win or lose, to file statements of contributions and expenditures or SOCE within 30 days after election day.

While verification of the accuracy of the financial declarations can be challenging for the understaffed Comelec, Chairman George Garcia has announced plans to upload the SOCE for public access, in hopes that interested parties particularly the candidates will be checking each other for possible lying in the statements. The Comelec can then act on complaints.

The Comelec also oversees compliance with spending limits set under the Omnibus Election Code – currently at P10 per voter for the races for president and vice president, P3 for other positions and P5 per voter for political parties.

Comelec officials have said the spending limits set under the Code passed in 1991 have become unrealistic and must be increased. This will be welcomed by moneyed candidates, who can then openly spend more for their campaigns without worrying about breaking the rules and facing sanctions. But raising the spending limit may be frowned upon by those with limited resources.

For candidates who are flush with cash from illegal activities, the sky’s the limit in campaign spending.

Alice Guo is under investigation on charges of faking her Philippine citizenship to run for mayor of Bamban, Tarlac. POGOs are believed to have bankrolled her campaign for election.

Offshore gaming and the crimes linked to POGOs, such as cyberscams, kidnapping for ransom and human trafficking, aren’t the only illegal activities that have financed election campaigns in this country.

Other forms of illegal gambling such as jueteng have been laundered for successful career shifts to politics. If the jueteng lords don’t seek public office themselves, they bankroll the campaigns of candidates and even contribute heavily to the war chests of presidential bets.

Anti-crime watchdogs had previously noted

that money-raising criminal activities such as kidnapping for ransom and daring robberies of

banks and armored vehicles tended to spike during election season.

Apart from gambling barons, among the biggest donors to election campaigns are smugglers and drug traffickers.

When the candidate backed by such lowlives wins, the campaign donors become untouchable, intensifying their criminal activities with impunity.

Some of the offenses are international criminal activities that transcend borders, so the FATF should be interested in the opportunities for money laundering related to such crimes.

Even groups designated as foreign terrorist organizations – the targets of the FATF focus on combating terrorism financing – engage in criminal activities to raise funds. The Abu Sayyaf, one of such organizations, has a long track record of lucrative fund-raising through ransom kidnapping and extortion. Security officials say the New People’s Army is among the biggest maintainers of marijuana farms around the country.

There’s a legally binding United Nations Convention Against Corruption, adopted by the UN General Assembly in October 2003 and which entered into force on Dec. 14, 2005. Corruption has been one of the biggest hindrances to the elimination of poverty and the achievement of UN development goals.

The global campaign against money laundering is a critical component of any battle against corruption. The FATF should be interested, for example, in the laundering of slush funds and kickbacks by politicians and other government officials worldwide.

It can set up a black or gray list of countries and territories that are money laundering havens for crooks in government and their cohorts in the private sector.

Exiting the FATF gray list is a step forward. With pressure from the FATF, perhaps Philippine lawmakers will finally be compelled to legislate campaign finance reforms and relax bank secrecy laws.

Sketches

Ana Marie Pamintuan



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-2025-108**

DATE: **FEBRUARY 7, 2025**

**IN RE: PETITION FOR ADOPTION
OF RHONA LYN AMOR ALBONIAN
TO BE KNOWN THEREAFTER AS
RHONA LYN AMOR AMO**

**EDGAR ALIMEOS AMO SR. AND
JACINTA AMOR AMO**
Petitioners

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ORDER

A verified petition for the adoption of Rhona Lyn Amor Albanian filed by the petitioners through the Regional Alternative Child Care Office (RACCO) praying that the after due notice, publication and appearances, a judgment be rendered to the effect that the adoptee, Rhona Lyn Amor Albanian 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 **RHONA LYN AMOR AMO**.

Finding the said Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be set for Mandatory Appearance on **APRIL 25, 2025** to be held at **NACC-RACCO VI at 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, RSW
Officer-in-Charge

NE/March 10, 17 & 24, 2025

Stakeholders unite to support efforts vs. child labor



ILOILO CITY (PIA) — Member agencies of the Regional Council Against Child Labor (RCACL) in Western Visayas and other partners have pledged support for efforts to eradicate child labor in the country.

Stakeholders affirmed the vow during the Information and Service Caravan on Child Labor Prevention and Elimination Program and ILO Convention 190 or Violence and Harassment Convention 2019 Signing of Commitment in Iloilo City.

Western Visayas stakeholders solidified their pledge of support against child labor, backing the DOLE's efforts in upholding the rights and welfare of children, giving them countless opportunities to thrive, and consequently usher them towards economic freedom.

In her keynote message on behalf of DOLE Secretary Bienvenido E. Laguesma, Bureau of Workers with Special Concerns OIC-Director Leilani Reynoso imparted the importance of the activity.

"Ang Philippine Program Against Child Labor ay ibinalangkas alinsunod sa Philippine Development Plan at Labor Employment Plan 2023-2028 na magpatupad ang pamahalaan ng isang holistic approach at siguraduhin na may sapat na programa at polisiya upang maprotektahan at masuportahan ang mga sektor na may higit na pangangailangan kabilang ang child laborers at kanilang pamilya," Reynoso explained.

(The Philippine Program Against Child Labor was founded based on the Philippine Development Plan and Labor Employment Plan 2023-2028, mandating the government to implement a holistic approach and ensure that there are sufficient programs and policies protecting and supporting the marginalized sector including the child laborers and their families.)

Meanwhile, Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) 6 Assistant Regional Director Melisa S. Navarra expressed gratitude to all the DOLE's partners, citing

susunod na henerasyon," the president said.

Other benefits under the Expanded Senior Citizens Act include the five percent to 20 percent discount on various services; five percent discount for utilities like water and electricity consumption up to specified limits; and a 20 percent discount to transportation, medication, healthcare services, and recreational activities, which Marcos believed as some of the solutions to address the financial struggles of senior citizens.

Aside from the distribution of cash incentives, several national government agencies in Iloilo also extended their services to the public, especially the elderly from the towns of Oton, Tigbauan, Guimbal, Miag-ao, Igaras, Tubungan, and San Joaquin.

their presence as a testament to the convergent effort and commitment in appreciating its services for the profiled child laborers, as well as raising awareness and gathering support in the campaign against child labor.

"Childhood is an important and integral part of our life—it is the most fun and memorable time in anyone's life. In childhood, dreams are built as it is the foundation of a child's future. It is where the children should be developed by providing their needs and giving them proper education," said Navarra.

She further mentioned the highlight of the event which is the commitment signing on ILO Convention 190 or Violence and Harassment Convention 2019.

"Convention 190 recognizes the rights of all workers whether in formal and informal setting, regardless of classification and respective employment status, to a world of work free from violence and harassment," Navarra added.

Additionally, some participants were given access to various entrepreneurship programs through the release of livelihood checks to the parents of child laborers from Brgy. Sapal, San Lorenzo, Guimaras.

Simultaneous services were also offered for free including medical and dental services, processing of clearances and IDs, pampering services like haircut, massage, and nail care, exhibit and distribution of information materials, and other interactive activities or games for children.

Under the "Project Angel Tree," a ceremonial distribution of school supplies, particularly bags containing various school items for child laborers from the various districts of Iloilo City was also conducted.

These activities aim to signify the labor department and partner agencies' commitment to the welfare of the children and the eradication of child labor in the country. (AAL/AGP/PIA 6)

Among the agencies joining the event were the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), Government Service Insurance System (GSIS), Social Security System (SSS), Public Attorney's Office (PAO), Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), PHILHEALTH, Department of Health (DOH), and the Iloilo Provincial Government Environment and Natural Resources Offices (IPGENRO).

Meanwhile, the Armed Forces of the Philippines also extended security assistance for the event and offered free haircut and medical assistance to the elderly; while staff from the Iloilo Science and Technology University (ISAT-U) Miag-ao campus offered nail care services to the beneficiaries. (AAL/JNH/PIA Iloilo)

82 elderly Ilonggos receive cash gift under expanded centenarians law

ILOILO CITY (PIA) — Eighty-two elderly beneficiaries from the first district of Iloilo, including one centenarian from Igaras town, receive their cash gift under the Expanded Centenarians Act of 2024 during the inaugural distribution done simultaneously in different areas of the country on February 26, 2025.

During a program in Miag-ao town, National Commission of Senior Citizens (NCSC)-6 Project Development Officer IV Gretchen Anne T. Orbista said that there are a total of 421 beneficiaries in the city and province of Iloilo qualified for the program, noting that succeeding payouts will also be held in every district.

She added that these senior citizens ages 80, 85, 90, and 95 will receive P10,000, while centenarians maintain their P100,000 benefit.

In an interview, Rosinica Sarjena, 80, thanked the government, noting that she will use the money to buy her maintenance medicines.

"Pasalamat gid ako kay nakabaton ako diyes mil (P10,000). Daad palawigon pa ako para makabaton naman ti sien (P100,000)," Sarjena added.

(I am really thankful for the P10,000. Hopefully, I will have a long life so that I can receive the P100,000)

On the other hand, President Ferdinand Marcos, Jr. in his message streamed live from the Malacañang Palace, emphasized the importance of ensuring the well-being of senior citizens, noting that more needs to be done for the elderly of the country.

"Sa ating mga seniors, nawa'y magkaroon kayo ng marami pang panahon ng kagalakan kasama ang inyong mga minamahal sa buhay. Hiling ko rin na magkaroon po kayo ng mga mas matatamis na kuwento na ibabahagi sa



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A newly opened bridge costing P1.2 billion in Isabela province collapsed Thursday night, leaving six – including a child – injured. Part of the bridge collapsed when a dump truck carrying boulders passed over it. The truck was estimated to be weighing 102 tons and was on its way from neighboring Kalinga to the northern part of the province.

The 990-meter Cabagan-Sta. Maria Bridge was only opened to vehicles last month, even as construction began more than 10 years earlier, authorities say.

Heads will roll, the Palace vowed. As they should. Bridges are supposed to connect one area to another to facilitate the movement of goods and people. People take passing bridges for granted – it is never assumed that one might collapse under the weight of any one vehicle using it.

The assumption is that bridges work, because they cost a lot of money, because professionals are supposed to have planned them, because the bidding process for them was transparent and above board, and their construction followed the

Bridges do not just collapse

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specifications to the letter.

People crossing a bridge do so thinking about what they are going to do once they reach their destination on the other side. They hardly fret about whether the bridge is strong enough for the load, whether the right materials were used for its construction or whether irregularities attended any point of the process.

It is a given, not only that heads must roll, but that a full investigation be conducted on the reason for the collapse. It is not enough that someone be pointed to as the culprit behind the incident. More importantly, we have to make sure that no similar event happens in the future.

How many bridges are there in the Philippines, how many sets of plans, bidding documents, and bidders were included in each one? How many government offices, local government units, bids and awards committee members, and other officials are involved in such high-stakes

decisions?

At the same time we wonder: How many other projects were riddled with the same flaws as the ones that determined the unfortunate collapse, and when will they show signs of these imperfections?

Every government project carries with it a presumption of regularity, which makes people confident about using the facility instead of questioning it.

The Isabela mishap was not an accident. It is the inescapable result of corruption, negligence, ineptitude, or a deadly combination of these. Let the consequent probe unearth the reasons, and may these findings be made public so they could serve as a guide on how ordinary taxpayers should demand accountability from their leaders. Bridges are supposed to connect people and facilitate trade and movement, not endanger citizens' lives. (*manilastandard.net*)

Accelerating mass transit projects

Newly installed Transportation Secretary Vince Dizon, in a recent press briefing, said he aims to accelerate big-ticket transport projects, particularly high mass transit ones as he voiced the need to push forward with more public-private partnerships (PPPs).

His remarks are indeed a welcome development for motorists and commuters alike and serve as an affirmation of the significant contribution of the private sector in realizing large scale projects for public benefit—in this case, with the goal of picking up the pace to complete mass transit projects within a faster timeline.

While there is progress over the years, the pace of developing our mass transit systems remains slow and sluggish compared to our neighboring countries. Delays due to right of way issues, red tape, and financial constraints have significantly slowed progress.

For decades, the Philippine rail system which used to be working back in the day (I remember riding the Philippine National Railways from Paco Station to Bulan, Sorsogon) has been left behind in the region as countries like Indonesia, Thailand, and even Vietnam make huge strides to modernize their mass transit networks.

The launch of the Jakarta Mass Rapid Transit in 2019 for example should serve as a wake-up call for the Philippines—which has long struggled with chronic delays—to accelerate its railway projects and improve the service of existing ones.

I have been to Tokyo, New York, Singapore, London, South Korea, Paris, Hong Kong, and other progressive cities with dependable and efficient rail networks that have

become the default choice for transportation of the people, and I have clearly seen the difference reliable transportation spells for the economy. An efficient transportation network is an economic growth enabler—bridging the gap between rural and urban areas, spurring job creation, facilitating faster trade, and promoting convenience for the riding public.

Sadly, the case is highly different here in Metro Manila where the vast majority is heavily reliant on road transport. The problem with such a situation is road transport is highly prone to congestion and delays. Top of mind of course is EDSA. We've seen the impact on our economy—with billions in losses daily due to traffic gridlocks. All sorts of solutions have been attempted but the problem simply is congestion. No amount of bus lanes and any other solutions will solve that.

By now, we should have all realized that infrastructure delays bear significant social and economic costs.

It's time to move full speed to finally bring to life these long-awaited mass transit projects, and (hopefully) finally unburden the suffering of millions of Filipinos of daily traffic woes that have long plagued our country.

High mass transit projects are the key to the success of the government's traffic reform program for three primary reasons: to improve connectivity between rural and urban areas, decongest Metro Manila traffic, and ease public transportation woes experienced by millions of daily commuters.

We have seen in the past how collaboration between the public and private sectors have enabled national

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progress and with the growing economic demands of our country, the need to accelerate the completion of transport projects—particularly rail systems—have never become more urgent and necessary.

Private sector participation can and should play a key role in the development of these public transport systems. Beyond the financial investment, the private sector can introduce innovation through technology transfer. On the part of the public sector, the government bears the responsibility to cultivate and maintain a regulatory environment that encourages private investment. PPPs after all thrive in an environment of mutual confidence—with both sides working together to deliver projects effectively and efficiently for national progress.

In improving our transportation infrastructure, particularly our rail systems, we must keep in mind that this is a shared responsibility—which if addressed properly—will also result in shared benefits.

While I understand that we are still far from having a public transportation system similar to the likes of Japan and Singapore, I am hopeful that development of key transport projects—particularly rail systems—can be significantly accelerated during the term of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.

Filipino commuters deserve nothing less. We need to act now.

That Showtime Comelec incident

There was a time when one would be hard pressed to name an incident that would involve both the noontime show Showtime and the Commission on Election (Comelec). A few days ago, one of the contestants in a beauty pageant segment of the noontime show was asked if she had anything to say to Comelec during this election period. The contestant answered by saying that she was not knowledgeable about Comelec. Her answer stunned the show's hosts who scrambled to explain to her what Comelec was all about. One host even said that the response was "bothersome". The video clip of the said segment went viral and sparked numerous online discussions.

Several people bashed the contestant with some ridiculing her online. On the other hand, there were those who criticized the Showtime host for allegedly showing open disdain after the aforesaid response.

It is sad that several people jumped on the issue to tap out their poison online and release their unending supply of vitriol and hate on the hapless contestant. As explained by the contestant, she just did not think she knew enough about the agency to give any comment. In addition, she admitted that her personal circumstances prevented her from being up to date about current events in general. Like some Filipinos, gut issues like food and livelihood are often the primary concern for many. It is therefore understandable that there would be gaps in knowledge outside of these issues. It is incumbent upon the rest of society both public and private to fill in that gap. Rather than ridicule the said contestant, people should look at it as a challenge or call to pitch in and help solve the problem and causes.

Comelec Chairperson George Erwin Garcia, in response to the issue, said it is the poll body's

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duty to educate the public about its functions. He then invited the said contestant to tour the Comelec office so that she could be enlightened. When the said contestant visited Comelec she was toured around the office and given a special orientation. There were several netizens who questioned Comelec's VIP treatment of the said contestant. Chairman Garcia responded by saying that the office used the attention and publicity to enlighten the youth and the populace in general on the functions and purpose of the Comelec. In the end, the Comelec got a new promoter and ambassador for the office who could better explain to her peers the importance of Comelec.

Everybody loves a good redemption story.

The Tandang Sora Museum and women's fight for equality

Once again marking a first for the Philippines, Quezon City Mayor Joy Belmonte inaugurated the Tandang Sora Museum, the country's first women's museum. Its location on Banlat Road holds deep historical significance, as it is the birthplace of Melchora Aquino, widely known by her revolutionary name, Tandang Sora.

Mayor Belmonte emphasized, "This museum is more than just a collection of artifacts—it stands as a testament to the strength, struggles, and triumphs of Filipino women throughout history. Through its exhibits, we hope to inspire the next generation to continue advocating for equality, justice, and progress."

The establishment of a women's museum is a groundbreaking initiative, highlighting the vital roles women have played in shaping Philippine history. Throughout the nation's past, women have been at the forefront of revolutionary movements, advocacy, and leadership. Tandang Sora, revered as the "Mother of the Philippine Revolution," is a prime example of this legacy. As we reflect on history, let us honor her invaluable contributions to Philippine nationhood and recognize the enduring impact of women in the country's fight for freedom and progress.

Tandang Sora is known as the "Mother of the Philippine Revolution" for her invaluable contributions to the Katipunan during the fight for independence against Spanish rule. Despite being in her 80s, she played a crucial role in supporting the revolutionaries by providing shelter, caring for the wounded and sick, and supplying food and essential resources. Beyond material aid, she offered moral support and guidance, using her wisdom and influence to inspire Katipuneros to persevere in their struggle for freedom.

Due to her involvement in the revolution, Spanish authorities arrested Tandang Sora and subjected her to intense interrogation, attempting to extract information about the Katipunan. However, she refused to betray the revolutionaries, standing firm in her loyalty to the cause. As punishment, she was deported to Guam alongside other revolutionaries. She remained in exile until the end of Spanish colonial rule, after which she finally returned to the Philippines.

Filipino women played a vital role in the struggle against Spanish colonial rule, serving as revolutionaries, spies, medics, and key supporters of the Katipunan. Many actively participated in the secret revolutionary society, with some even joining its women's chapter. Gregoria de Jesus, known as the "Lakambini of the Katipunan," safeguarded

critical documents, provided strategic support, and ensured the safety of fellow revolutionaries.

Meanwhile, Gabriela Silang took on a leadership role in armed resistance, leading revolts against Spanish forces.

Beyond the battlefield, revolutionary women worked behind the scenes, carrying messages, raising funds, and tending to the wounded—proving their indispensable role in the fight for independence. Beyond direct combat, women played a significant role in sustaining the revolutionary movement through their intellectual and emotional contributions. They organized resistance efforts, participated in propaganda campaigns, and educated fellow Filipinos about their rights and the need for independence. Many women also engaged in subversive activities, such as smuggling weapons and supplies or serving as informants against Spanish forces. Despite the constraints of a patriarchal society, Filipina revolutionaries proved that they were not merely passive observers but active agents of change, significantly shaping the country's fight for freedom.

The Women's Museum goes beyond preserving revolutionary memorabilia. It features the "Women in Action" gallery, which displays progressive materials and artifacts from various feminist movements, showcasing the resilience and activism of women's organizations that have shaped the country's socio-political landscape.

There is also the "HERstorical Philippine Timeline" that showcases women's contributions to faith, leadership, peacebuilding, and revolution. This exhibit highlights the Babaylan as spiritual leaders, the emergence of women-led labor unions, and the growing involvement of women in politics, the arts, science, and media.

This groundbreaking museum was made possible with the support of Senator Risa Hontiveros, a longtime advocate for women's rights. In her keynote address, she stated, "This museum is not just about remembering history—it's about empowering women today and in the future. We honor the legacies of those who came before us and pave the way for those who will come after."

Filipinos should visit the Tandang Sora Women's Museum to gain a deeper understanding of the significant contributions of women in Philippine history.

As we honor the contributions of Filipino women in our history, let us also recognize and celebrate them on International Women's Day (IWD). Dating back to the early 20th century, IWD is rooted in the labor and feminist movements advocating for

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women's rights, fair wages, and better working conditions. The first National Women's Day was observed in the United States on Feb. 28, 1909, following a declaration by the Socialist Party of America. A year later, German activist Clara Zetkin proposed an annual global observance during the International Socialist Women's Conference in 1910. The idea quickly gained traction, leading to the first International Women's Day celebration on March 19, 1911, in countries such as Austria, Denmark, Germany, and Switzerland, where demonstrations demanded voting rights, labor protections, and gender equality.

Through the decades, International Women's Day evolved into a global movement advocating for women's empowerment, equality, and human rights. The United Nations officially recognized March 8 as International Women's Day in 1977, encouraging member states to adopt policies promoting gender equality. It is interesting to note that March 8 was chosen as International Women's Day in recognition of the women textile workers in New York City who, on March 8, 1857, marched in protest against unfair working conditions and gender inequality. During the demonstration, they demanded a shorter workday and fair wages, marking a pivotal moment in the fight for women's labor rights.

Today, IWD is marked by rallies, educational campaigns, and policy discussions, with themes highlighting pressing issues such as gender-based violence, economic empowerment, and political representation. While IWD celebrates the achievements of women in various fields, it also serves as a reminder of the ongoing struggles for equal rights and the need for continuous efforts toward a more just and inclusive society.

The Tandang Sora Museum stands as a powerful tribute to the resilience, bravery, and contributions of Filipino women throughout history. More than just a collection of artifacts, it is a space that honors the past, educates the present, and inspires the future. By showcasing the pivotal roles women played in the Philippine revolution, social movements, and nation-building, the museum reinforces the importance of gender equality and the ongoing fight for women's rights. As we celebrate International Women's Day, let this museum serve as a reminder that women have always been, and will continue to be, at the heart of shaping our nation's history and progress.

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
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Branch 24
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CIVIL CASE NO. 23-35402

FOR:
 Collection of Sum of Money and Damages

HRS. OF JAN PAUL MARK BOSQUE,
 as represented by
FEMY BOSQUE,
Plaintiff,

-versus-

JEVRON PAROHINOG,
Defendant.

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ORDER

This treats the Motion for Leave of Court to Serve Summons through Publication, filed by plaintiff, through counsel.

Perusal of the case records shows that based on the Joint Return of Service dated July 12, 2024, the Clerk of Court/Ex-officio Sheriff, Pairing Sheriff, RTC Br. 25, Iloilo City and Sheriff, RTC Br. 22, Iloilo City have attempted to personally serve the summons to the defendant on three (3) separate occasions namely February 14, 2024, July 6, 2024 in the morning and July 6, 2024 in the afternoon respectively, but to no avail.

Rule 14, Section 4, of the 2019 amendments to the 1997 Rules of Civil Procedure, provides:

“There is failure of service after unsuccessful attempts to personally serve the summons on the defendant in his or her address indicated in the complaint.

Furthermore, Section 3 of the same Rule states:

“If summons is returned without being served on any or all the defendants, the court shall order the plaintiff to cause the service of summons by other means available under the Rules.”

Finding the arguments posited by the plaintiff to be meritorious, the Motion for Leave of Court to Serve Summons through Publication, is **granted**.

Let this Order together with the summons and copy of the complaint with annexes, be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and Province of Iloilo pursuant to Section 16, Rule 14 of the 2019 Amendments to the 1997 Rules of Civil Procedure.

Plaintiff is directed to deposit a copy of the summons and order for publication to defendant's last known address by registered mail in compliance with Section 22, Rule 14 of the 2019 Amendments to the 1997 Rules of Civil Procedure. Furthermore, plaintiff is directed to furnish this court a copy of the published order.

Likewise, defendant Jevron Parohinog is hereby directed to file his Answer within sixty (60) calendar days after notice.

Notify the parties and their counsels of this Order.

SO ORDERED.

Iloilo City, Philippines, October 21, 2024.

(SGD.) NESTLE A. GO
 Presiding Judge

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FOR:

**COLLECTION OF SUM OF
 MONEY AND DAMAGES**

**HEIRS OF JAN PAUL MARK
 BOSQUE, as represented by
 FEMY BOSQUE,**
Petitioner,

versus-

JEVRON PAROHINOG,
Respondent.

X-----X

S U M M O N S

TO: JEVRON PAROHINOG
 Sitio Calumpang
 Brgy. Poblacion, Zone 2
 Estancia, Iloilo

G R E E T I N G S:

You are hereby required to file with this Court and serve on the plaintiff your ANSWER to the complaint, copy of which is attached, together with its annexes **within thirty (30) days after service of this summons upon you exclusive of the day of service.** If you fail to answer within the time fixed, the plaintiff will take judgment by default and may be granted the relief applied for in the Complaint.

Moreover, a Motion to Dismiss is prohibited but you may allege grounds for the dismissal of the Complaint in your answer as provided by Section 12, Rule 8 of the 1997 Rules of Civil Procedure, as amended by A.M. No. 19-10-20-SC otherwise known as the 2019 Proposed Amendments to the 1997 Rules of Civil Procedure. Failure to raise the Affirmative defenses at the earliest opportunity shall constitute a waiver thereof. You are expected to utilize the deposition-discovery measures under Rules 23, 25, 26, 27 & 28 of the 1997 Rules of Civil Procedure, as amended. Failure to resort to deposition by written interrogatories under Rule 25 and the request for admission of facts under Rule 27 may be prejudicial to your interest.

WITNESS MY HAND, under the seal of this Court, this 20th day of December 2023, in Iloilo City, Philippines.

(SGD.) ATTY. RAINCELLE D. OMAO-RUFINO
 Clerk of Court
 Regional Trial Court, Branch 24
 Iloilo City

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Defendant,

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COMPLAINT

COMES NOW, the plaintiffs, through the undersigned counsel, and unto this Honorable Court, most respectfully avers, **that;**

- The parties may be served with summons and other processes of this Honorable Court thru the undersigned counsel at his office address at FMB Bldg., 7th St. Lawaan Village, Balantang, Jaro, Iloilo City;
- For this complaint, the heirs of **JAN PAUL MARK BOSQUE** is represented by **FEMY C. BOSQUE** who is of legal age, married, Filipino and a resident of Brgy., Devera, Sara, Iloilo. A copy of the Special Power of Attorney of the heirs, is hereto attached and marked as **EXHIBIT "A"** and made an integral part of this complaint;
- On the other hand, defendant **JEVRON PAROHINOG**, of legal age, single, Filipino and is residing in Sitio Calumpang, Brgy. Poblacion, Zone 2, Estancia, Iloilo; where he may be served with summons and court processes by this Honorable Court;

I. FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

4. That on February 8, 2021, defendant requested for a loan from the late **JAN PAUL MARK BOSQUE** in the amount of **FIVE MILLION ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P 5,100,000.00)** to which he was granted by the deceased. With this, the parties entered a Loan Agreement signifying the following conditions:

- 4.1. That the loan agreement shall be for a period of **two (2) years**, commencing from the date of their signing;
- 4.2. The loan shall earn a compounded interest of 4.9%, every after forty (40) days based on the unpaid amount, including its accrued penalty at two percent (2%) per annum, which is also compounded with the unpaid amount and its interest;
- 4.3. Payments made by the Defendant/Debtor shall be applied first to the accrued penalties (if any), next, on its accrued interest, and finally applied to the principal amount of the loan; notwithstanding taxes and fees, which shall also be borne by the debtor;
- 4.4. That in case of default, the Plaintiff/Creditor holds the right to demand, either by notice or writing, immediate payment of the loan and its accrued interest and penalty, from the debtor;
- 4.5. That No. 7 of the terms and conditions of the said loan agreement enumerates the conditions wherein the Debtor may be considered in default; i.e.:

- A. **“Failure to comply with the covenants or obligations expressed or implied in” the Loan Agreement.** (Emphasis added);
- B. **“Failure of Debtor to pay any principal amount or interest for the accumulated period of sixty (60) days from the signing of the Agreement or the last date of payment.”** (Emphasis added);
- C. **“Insolvency or inability of debtor to pay”;**
- D. **“An attachment or levy upon, all or substantial part of the Debtor’s properties which would materially impair the Debtor’s ability to meet his obligation under the agreement.”;**
- E. **“Violation of any law, regulation, judgment or administrative decision of decree, including non- payment of taxes, in such circumstances where the Creditor reasonably believes that said violation will have an adverse effect on the Debtor’s ability to meet his obligations XXXXXXXX”;**

A copy of the Loan Agreement is attached herein as **EXHIBIT “B”** and is made an integral part of this complaint;

- 5. That for reference purposes, the total amount of penalty including the principal, under the said loan agreement is, computed at P13,097,838.01, a copy of the loan computation, based on the conditions of the loan agreement, certified by a Certified Public Accountant, and is mark attached herein as **EXHIBIT “C”** and is made an integral part of this complaint;
- 6. That after the agreed period of **two (2) years** the defendant is expected to have make full payment of the loan amount, including all its interest/s and penalties;
- 7. That the defendant did not pay the amount he borrowed from the plaintiff, including its agreed interest and penalty even after demand has been made;
- 8. That the demand has been made orally through conversation and electronic messages. The proof of demand is corroborated by a certain ISABELLA VERONICA M. DAZON, a copy of her Judicial Affidavit is hereunto mark and attached as **EXHIBIT “D”**, a written demand has been also been sent to the residence of the defendant, A copy of the Demand Letter is attached and sub-mark herein as **EXHIBIT “D-1”** and the LBC receipt is sub-mark as **EXHIBIT “D-2”** and made an integral part of the complaint;
- 9. That on account of the terms and conditions of the Loan Agreement between the Plaintiff and Defendant, the latter is considered in **DEFAULT**, primarily due to his failure to comply with the covenant or obligations, either expressed or implied in the said Loan Agreement;
- 10. That the foregoing circumstances constitute a breach of obligation on the part of the Defendant, and a sufficient cause of action for the plaintiff to file an action for collection of sum of money;
- 11. Therefore, defendant’s obligation to pay the Plaintiff the amount of FIVE MILLION ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (5,100,000.00) Philippine Currency, and all its interest and penalties, is now **DUE AND DEMANDABLE**;

II. SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

- 12. Defendant’s failure to perform his obligation has caused mental anguish on the part of the plaintiff, with the thought of the defendant’s absconding from his obligation, prompting them to seek legal assistance for the collection of the borrowed sum of money by the defendant. Plaintiffs incurred additional damages by way of legal fees. A copy of the contract of legal services is herein mark and attach as **EXHIBIT “E”** and is made an integral part of this complaint;
- 13. Furthermore, under the law, once the debtor incurs a default, the creditor has the right to enforce payment of the credit through legal action. In the same manner, debtor is considered in default upon demand of creditor, and therefore, is obliged to

make payment to the creditor. Default instigates the moment the creditor demands the performance of the obligation. Without the Debtor incurring default, the Creditor sustains no right to enforce payment through the filing of a legal action, the pertinent provision of Art. 1169 of the Civil Code of the Philippines, States That, to wit:

“Those obliged to deliver or to do something incur in delay from the time the obligee judicially or extrajudicially demands from them the fulfillment of their obligation.”

In view of the foregoing, plaintiff now seeks, from the defendant, to make full payment of the loan together with all the stipulated interest and penalties that have accrued over the years.

PRAYER

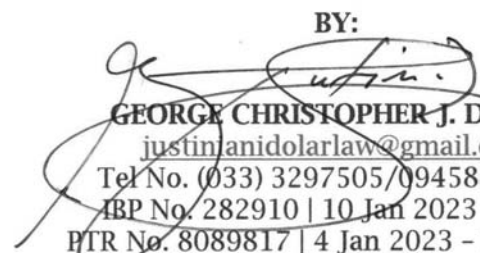
WHEREFORE, premises considered, it is most respectfully prayed of this Honorable Court to render a decision, after due notice and hearing, that judgement be rendered in favor of the plaintiff against the defendant and ordering the latter as follows:

- 1. To perform their obligation as stipulated in the above-mentioned contract and pay the plaintiffs the principal amount of P5,100,000.00, including the interest, penalty and surcharges as provided for in the loan computation;
- 2. To pay plaintiff moral and exemplary damages after just determination by the Honorable Court; and
- 3. To pay plaintiff the amount of 100,000.00 as attorney’s fees as well as the cost of suit, including, but not limited to, appearance fee and filing fee.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

Iloilo City, Philippines.
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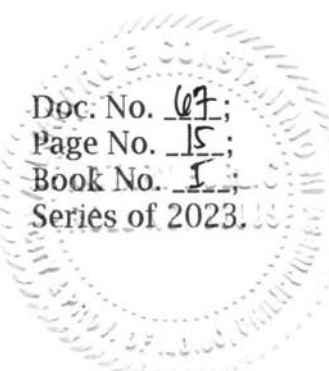
VERIFICATION and CERTIFICATION of NON-FORUM SHOPPING

I, **FEMY BOSQUE Y CATALUÑA**, of legal age, Filipino, married and currently residing at Brgy., Devera Sara, Iloilo, after having sworn to in accordance with law, do hereby depose and state:

- 1. That I caused the preparation of the foregoing Petition;
- 2. That I have read the same and all statements contained therein are true of my personal knowledge and based on authentic records;
- 3. That I have not heretofore commenced any other action involving the same issues raised in this Petition, and that to the best of my knowledge, no such action or proceeding is pending in this Honorable Court, Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court, or any other tribunal or agency. However, should I thereafter learn that a similar action or proceeding has been filed or is pending with the Honorable Court, the Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court, or any other tribunal or agency, I hereby undertake to promptly report the fact within five (5) days therefrom to the Honorable Court;
- 4. That I understand that any willful and deliberate forum shopping may be a ground for the summary dismissal of the case and may subject me and/or my counsel to administrative and criminal sanctions; and
- 5. That I am executing this Verification/Certification to attest to the truthfulness of the foregoing statements, and to comply with the rules of court regarding non-forum shopping.


FEMY BOSQUE Y CATALUÑA

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this **AUGUST 09, 2023** at Iloilo City, Philippines, Affiant exhibiting to me his competent evidence of identity: **OSCA ID NO. 7595** bearing her picture and signature.



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City and Province of Iloilo
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Gemmary Pawnshop & Jewellery, Inc. AUCTION SALE

This is to inform the public that we will be conducting an AUCTION SALE on **MARCH 20, 2025** at 9:00 a.m. for all overdue pledges pawned on **OCTOBER 2024** and prior dates in the following branches. Patrons are enjoined to verify their receipts.

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- **LAPAZ:** Cor.Dicen Luna St., Lapaz Iloilo City -Tel. # (033) 508-6283
- **JARO 1:** Sommerset Bldg. Lopez Jaena St., Jaro Iloilo City - Tel. # (033) 508-1582

THE MANAGEMENT

GV & A PAWNSHOP, INC.

JM Basa St., Iloilo City

NOTICE

The public is informed that on **MARCH 15, 2025** an Auction Sale will be held at 9:00 AM for all unredeemed Jewelleries & Articles the condition of which have expired.

THE MANAGEMENT

PAHIBALO

Ginapahibalo ang tanan nga sa **MARSO 15, 2025** pagahiwaton ang baligyaanay sang mga alahas kag pagkabutang nga wala magawad nga sa diin ang mga plasos nga ginkasugtan natapos na.

ANG TAGDUMALAHAN

BIR to taxpayers: Comply with tax obligations

ILOILO CITY (PIA) — The Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) kick-starts its regional tax campaign on Feb. 21, reminding the taxpayers to comply with their tax obligations.

Hosted by the BIR Revenue Region No. 11-Iloilo City at the Iloilo Convention Center, the event with the theme “Buwis na Tapat, Tagumpay Nating Lahat,” aims to emphasize the shared responsibility of the taxpayers through diligent tax payments, hardwork, and willingness to contribute to national progress and the BIR’s dedication to honest and courteous service to every Filipino.

BIR Commissioner Romeo D. Lumagui Jr., who graced the kick-off activity, recognized the significant milestones of the institution, highlighting the result of its service improvements where it has collected more than P2.85 trillion revenue, higher than its tax collection in 2023.

Lumagui said this is not only the highest revenue collection recorded in the Bureau’s history but the first time it has ever reached the target set by the Development Budget Coordination Committee (DBCC).

“This is only the result of the tireless efforts of the BIR employees, their commitment, dedication, and countless hours spent serving the public and most importantly, the growing partnership with our institution and the taxpayers. With all these achievements, we would like to congratulate our nation builders – all of us, for our contribution to our

PBBM: Solutions to Kanlaon unrest must be guided by science

BACOLOD CITY (PIA) — President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. urged officials of local government units and national government agencies to let science guide their planning for Kanlaon eruption response and redevelopment.

In his visit to La Carlota City in Negros Occidental recently, Marcos, in a briefing with local officials, underscored the significance of scientific data in their planning of both short and long-term solutions for the Kanlaon crisis.

The President said all volcanic hazards and risks issued by the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (Phivolcs) must be taken into consideration to ensure the safety of the affected population.

“We have to be the ones to make the plan. But again, it will be guided by science.”

According to the President, the locations of the proposed permanent evacuation centers and possible redevelopment areas must be safe from all hazard types, and have critical facilities and infrastructure such as water supply, electricity, roads, and sewage systems among others.

The livelihood and employment of the displaced population must also be given importance, the President pointed out to the mayors of towns and cities around Kanlaon Volcano.

“Hindi lang basta-basta kung saan ilalagay [ang permanent evacuation

country’s economic growth,” he said.

He further added that the Tax Awareness Month is observed every February, hence, the BIR is dedicated to promoting tax compliance among individuals and businesses, increasing public understanding of tax obligation, and improving revenue collection to support economic growth.

“Taxes are not just numbers on a balance sheet- they are investments in our shared future. Taxation is not just about fulfilling civic duty, it is also about fairness and integrity. Buwis na Tapat speaks of the need for transparency and accountability in our tax system. It also means that everyone, regardless of their status or background, could contribute their fair share to the nation’s development,” Lumagui said.

For the part of BIR Revenue Region No. 11, Iloilo City Regional Director Emilia C. Combes emphasized that the development of the country speaks of its cooperative and compliant citizens.

“This campaign underscores the crucial role of taxpayers

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development
Kagawaran ng Pananahang Pantao at Pagpapalad ng Kalunsuran



Regional Office VI

N O T I C E

Notice is hereby given that **Sta. Lucia Land, Inc.** (Developer) has filed with the Department a sworn registration statement for the sale of subdivision lots at **GREEN MEADOWS PHASE 3** located at Brgy. Ungka I, Pavia, Iloilo specifically described as the following:

LOT NO.	AREA (SQ. M.)	TITLE NO.	OWNER
Lot 235, Jaro Cad.	96,422.00	090-2023012418	NAPOLEON L. TIONGCO, JR.
F-06-01-012385-A-D	19,577.00	F-21929	
TOTAL	115,999.00		

All papers relative thereto shall upon request and payment of processing fee, be available for inspection during business hours by any person having legal interest thereon.

Absent any legal impediment, the above-cited project is deemed registered and a certificate, in evidence thereof, shall forthwith be issued after five (5) days from the last day of publication.

Iloilo City, Philippines, March 03, 2025.

(SGD.) EnP. EVA MARIA P. MARFIL
Regional Director

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centers at redevelopment areas]... Marami ang kailangan na consideration na dapat kasama sa planning,” he noted.

(Permanent evacuation centers and redevelopment areas must not be placed anywhere. Plenty of considerations must be included in the planning.)

Meanwhile, local chief executives from the hard-hit town and cities of La

Castellana, La Carlota, and Canlaon raised concerns over the rapid depletion of their respective Quick Response Funds (QRF) being used for the food of internally displaced persons (IDPs) and maintenance of evacuation centers.

As funding concerns grow over the needs of IDPs who remain in evacuation centers amid the active threat of Kanlaon Volcano,

the Office of Civil Defense (OCD) recently allocated over P100 million worth of assistance to the affected LGUs in Negros Island.

President Marcos also reiterated the commitment of the government in supporting the needs of the Negrense IDPs until this calamity is over and they can finally return to their normal lives. (AGP/BPS/PIA Negros Occidental)

when it comes to economic recovery and development. For more than 120 years, the BIR has shown improvement in its services due to the implementation of e-services which adapt to the digital transformation of technology. These are goals to make BIR not only a revenue-oriented agency but a service-oriented, one with the nation to uplift the lives of every Filipino,” said Combes.

BIR Deputy Commissioners, taxpayers, government agencies, practitioners, partners, and other organizations coming from the five Revenue District Offices (RDOs) in Western Visayas were also present at the event.

Top taxpayers from RDOs 71-75 of the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) were also recognized based on several categories including the Top Individual Taxpayers, Top Non-Individual Taxpayers, and Top Withholding Agents.

The tax campaign kick-off is a major event in the annual calendar of the BIR that officially commences its tax campaign activities for the entire year. (AAL/AGP/PIA 6)

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
6TH JUDICIAL REGION
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE JUDGE
Branch 76
Janiuay, Iloilo
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rtc2jyi076@judiciary.gov.ph

NOTICE OF HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a summary hearing on the Petition for Notarial Commission of:

Atty. CRISTINA L. LAGORA

shall be held on **April 3, 2025 at 2:00 in the afternoon** in the Office of the Executive Judge, Regional Trial Court Branch 76, Janiuay, Iloilo.

Any person who has any cause or reason to object to the grant of the petition may file a verified or written opposition thereto and should be received by the undersigned before the date of the summary hearing.

Janiuay, Iloilo, Philippines, February 18, 2025.

(SGD.) GEMALYN PAUNILLO-TAROL
Executive Judge

NE/March 10, 2025

DSWD Western Visayas starts 'i-Registro ang FIKD sa 4Ps' program



ILOILO CITY (PIA) — The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) in Western Visayas has commenced the enrollment process for pregnant and lactating mothers (PLMs) among the beneficiaries of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps).

This initiative is under the “i-Registro ang FIKD sa 4Ps,” a digital and self-service platform that simplified the process of enrolling pregnant and lactating 4Ps beneficiaries to the Pantawid Pamilya Information System (PPIS) needed for the implementation and provision of the First 1,000 Days (FIKD) conditional cash grants.

The FIKD program provides monthly health grants worth P350 to female 4Ps beneficiaries who are pregnant and households that have children from 0 to 2 years old.

This additional financial assistance aims to cover essential health and nutrition expenses during this critical period of a child’s life and support the prevention of malnutrition and child stunting.

To strengthen the rollout of the registration, the DSWD’s National Household Targeting Section (NHTS), led by Regional Field Coordinator Mark Louis M. Babiarte, has conducted a series of orientations and live demonstrations among 4Ps staff in the provinces of the region.

During the special 4Ps meeting in Roxas City, DSWD 6 4Ps Division chief Belen P. Gebusion emphasized that this “digital tool simplifies the process of updating beneficiary information

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6th JUDICIAL REGION
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
& EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF
CJ Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice
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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11146-24

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

BDO UNIBANK, INC.,
Mortgagee,

-versus

SPOUSES ARLETTE BLOSSOM C. ARBOLEDA and LUISITO P. ARBOLEDA, represented by their Attorney-in-fact, MARY MARGARET C. COO
Debtors/Mortgagors,

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Foreclosure and Sale of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, as amended, filed by **BDO UNIBANK, INC., (“MORTGAGEE”)** a universal banking corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with office address at 33rd Floor, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas, No. 12 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City, against **MARY MARGARET C. COO** as the Attorney-in-Fact of **SPOUSES ARLETTE BLOSSOM C. ARBOLEDA and LUISITO P. ARBOLEDA (“DEBTORS/MORTGAGORS”)**, both of legal age, Filipinos and with postal addresses at **(1) Zone 12, Brgy. Calaparan, Arevalo, Iloilo City; and (2) Unit 2301 and LC34, Floor 3, Bldg., 2, One Spatial Iloilo, R. Mapa, Brgy. Tabucan, Mandurriao, Iloilo City**, to satisfy the mortgaged indebtedness which as of **August 30, 2024**, in the amount of **TWO MILLION ONE HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FOUR PESOS & 02/100 (Php2,158,704.02)** Philippine Currency, including interest, penalties, incidental thereto besides the attorney’s fees incurred for the foreclosure, the Ex-Officio Provincial Sheriff of Iloilo or his duly authorized deputy will sell at public auction on **13 MARCH 2025** at TEN (10:00) o’clock in the morning at the Ground Floor, Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, CJ Ramon Avanceña Hall of Justice Building, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City, for CASH or MANAGER’S CHECK to the highest bidder and in Philippine Currency the mortgaged real properties with all the improvements found thereon, to wit

CONDOMINIUM CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2019000775

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that unit identified and described as:

**(“ONE SPATIAL ILOILO - BUILDING 2”)
UNIT NO. 2301 THIRD FLOOR WITH AN AREA OF 42.84 SQ. M. MORE OR LESS**

In the diagrammatic floor plan appended to the enabling or master deed of the condominium project annotated on TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE 2013001911 which embraces and describes the land located at BRGY. TABUCAN, MANDURRIAO, ILOILO CITY with an area of NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO (9,232) Square Meter, is registered in the name of:

Owner: ARLETTE BLOSSOM COO ARBOLEDA MARRIED TO LUISITO PABLO ARBOLEDA, BOTH FILIPINO CITIZENS, ALL OF LEGAL Address: 828 ALFRED AVENUE, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA, RX2 CT6 USA owner(s) of said unit in fee simple, with all the incidents provided by the Condominium Act, subject to such of the encumbrances noted on this Condominium certificate of title and on the certificate of title of the land as may affect the unit; to those mentioned in the enabling or master deed and declaration of restrictions; and to those provided by law. This condominium certificate is a transfer from Condominium Certificate of Title No. 2015000167 which is/are cancelled by virtue hereof insofar as the above identified unit is concerned.

Entered at Iloilo City, Philippines on the 3rd day of SEPTEMBER 2019 at 4:22pm.

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 **20 MARCH 2025** at the same time and place without further notice.

Iloilo City, Philippines, **08 JANUARY 2025.**

(SGD.) LENY GEMMA P. CASTILLO
Sheriff-in-Charge
09283358725

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

WARNING:

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

NE/Feb. 24, March 3 & 10, 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 **JOYZEL DEL ROSARIO JOVER** has filed with this office, a **PETITION FOR CHANGE OF FIRST NAME** from “LINDA” to “**JOYZEL**” in the Certificate of Live Birth of **JOYZEL DATO-ON DEL ROSARIO** who was born on **APRIL 4, 1970** at **Pototan, Iloilo** and whose parents are **EMILIANO B. DEL ROSARIO** and **TERESITA D. DATO-ON.**

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/March 3, 2025 & March 10, 2025

in the 4Ps allowing for smoother and more efficient service delivery.”

Simultaneous field registrations were held in the towns of Dao and Ivisan in Capiz on February 5 where 4Ps beneficiaries experienced ease in updating their information through the simple process of the i-Registro.

The NHTS also organized a live demonstration in Aklan to equip local 4Ps staff with the necessary tools and knowledge to efficiently navigate the i-Registro web portal.

To note, FIKD cash grants have conditionalities aligned with

DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Spouses RAMON R. TUGBANG and VIRGINIA S. TUGBANG** known as **Lot No. 3, Block 1**, of the subdivision plan, PSD-10881 being a portion of Lot 2408, Santa Barbara Cadastre, situated in Brgy. Buhang, Jaro, Iloilo City covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2020001264** with an area of **SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY (760) square meters, more or less** and **Lot 16 Block No. 1**, of the subdivision plan PSD-10881, being a portion of Lot No. 2408 of Santa Barbara Cadastre, CACE No. 2, G.L.R.O. CAD. REC. No. 8, situated in Brgy. Buhang, Jaro, Iloilo City covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2020001263** with an area of **FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY (570) square meters, more or less** are adjudicated to heirs **MARIA S. TUGBANG, HUGO MATEO S. TUGBANG, MA. LOURDES S. TUGBANG, MARGARITA S. TUGBANG, and PATRICK ANTHONY S. TUGBANG**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. HUDSON C. CUSTODIO JR.** per Doc. No. 103, Page No. 21, Book No. I, Series of 2024.

NE/March 3, 10 & 17, 2025

the implementation of Republic Act No. 11148 or the Kalusugan at Nutrisyon ng Mag-Nanay Act and existing Department of Health (DOH) protocols.

The conditionalities include accessing prenatal services at DOH-accredited health facilities, tracking pregnancy, and receiving ante-natal care services, child birthing or delivery at a DOH-accredited health facility, attending postnatal visits, participating in counseling sessions, and obtaining micronutrient supplements and immunizations, among others. (AAL/FRG/PIA6)

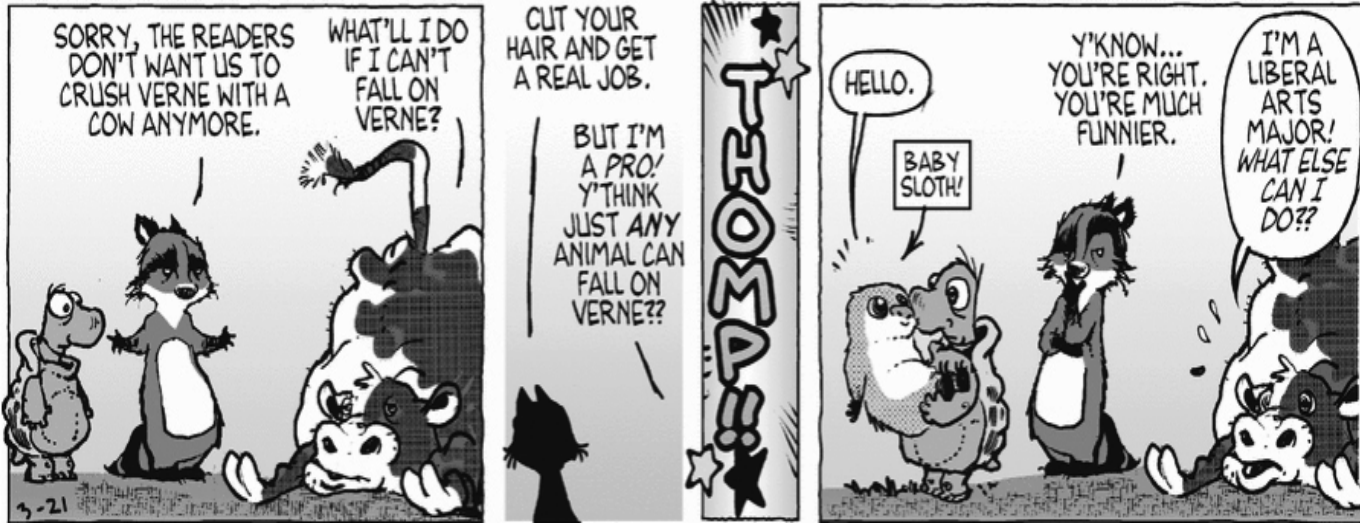
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over the HEDGE

BY T. LEWIS & MICHAEL FRAY



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, PEELLED 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.



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.

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!"



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



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

CATICLAN-BORACAY TRANSPORT MPC Case No. **MRO VI 21-002**
Applicant. **12TH CPC Amendment**

ORDER

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

ROUTE/S TO BE SERVED:

CATICLAN JETTY PORT TO CAGBAN PORT, BORACAY ISLAND, MALAY AKLAN AND VICE VERSA AND/OR TABON PORT, MALAY, AKLAN TO TAMBISAAN, BORACAY ISLAND, MALAY, AKLAN AND VICE VERSA

NAME OF ADDITIONAL VESSEL			
OWNED BY APPLICANT	GT	HULL	TYPE OF SERVICE
MB "SHEKAINAH"	54.85	FRP	PASSENGER / LINER

MODIFIED FREQUENCY OF TRIPS
Immediate departure upon full capacity or upon prescribed loading time

Link	FROM	UNTIL	Loading Time
Caticlan Jetty Port to Cagban Port, Boracay Island, Malay Aklan And Vice Versa	6:00 PM	8:00 PM	Every 15 minutes
	8:00 PM	10:00 PM	Every 20 minutes
Tabon Port, Malay, Aklan to Tambisaan, Boracay Island, Malay, Aklan And Vice Versa	10:00 PM	6:00 AM	Every 1 hour

The Applicant shall cause the publication of this ORDER in a newspaper of local circulation.
The Applicant shall likewise simultaneously caused the posting of this Orders in a conspicuous place at the affected ports, ships, Applicant's premises, passenger terminal and ticketing offices.
The Applicant shall present the jurisdictional, qualification and documentary requirements in a summary proceeding to be conducted on **17 March 2025 at 10:00 A.M.** at the Maritime Regional Office VI Building, De La Rama St., Iloilo City, which is within seven (7) days from the date of publication/posting.
The Applicant shall be required to make a written Formal Offer of Evidence (FOE), afterwhich, the application is deemed submitted for resolution /decision, upon acceptance of such FOE and declaration that the case is submitted for decision.
WITNESS, the MARINA Administrator, **Hon. Sonia B. Malaluan**, this 24th day of February 2025.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE ADMINISTRATOR:

(SGD.) JEFFREY A. BANGSA
Regional Director

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

BFAR-6 undertakes gender-responsive training for employees

ILOILO CITY (PIA) — The Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) 6 held a two-day capacity development training on the Harmonized Gender and Development Guidelines (HGDG) to strengthen the gender-responsive capabilities of its employees.

BFAR-6 said that the training aims to advance gender equality and eradicate gender-based discrimination throughout the process of fisheries projects' implementation.

With 30 participants from various provincial and regional offices, the training aimed to enhance the integration of gender perspectives such as respect in gender differences, enabling structures and methodologies to be sensitive to gender, in fisheries planning, implementation, and evaluation.

The sessions covered key concepts such as the difference between sex and gender, gender roles, and the importance of consulting both men and women in fisheries programs.

The activity was facilitated by Velma Lao, a member of the Philippine Commission on Women's (PCW) Gender and Development Resource Pool.

"When women are economically empowered, they gain independence and are better able to protect themselves

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 **MELANIA ESPETON CARMEN** has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of entry in **CHILD'S SEX** from **MALE** to **FEMALE** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **KRIZZA REI ESPITON CARMEN** who was born on **AUGUST 21, 2008** at **Mina, Iloilo** and whose parents are **REY GONZALES CARMEN** and **MELANIA GUTIERREZ ESPETON**.

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

(SGD.) MARIA C. TOMO
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/March 10, 2025 & March 17, 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 **NEPTALIE PORMILDA** has filed with this office a Petition for Correction in the Entry of Sex from "**MALE**" to "**FEMALE**" in the birth certificate of **NEPTALIE BIÑAS CAÑONERO** who was born on **November 29, 1951** at **Acuit, 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/March 10, 2025 & March 17, 2025

GENERAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby served to the Public that **ANTONIO S. CEZAR SR.** with business address at Poblacion, Concepcion, Iloilo 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 **ANTONIO CEZAR SR & REMIA V. CEZAR** to **ANTONIO S. CEZAR SR.** of the vessel named: **FBCA "RAPTORS"**. Notarized by Atty. Elmer R. Camarista, a Notary Public in Iloilo City, docketed as Doc. No. 276, Page No. 57, Book No. 1, Series of 2025. 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 **JETHER JIREH D. AJUSAN** with business address at Bayuyan, Estancia, Iloilo 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 **LORIE D. BANTILLO** to **JETHER JIREH D. AJUSAN** and Change of Vessel Name from **MBCA "MICHELLE ANN"** to **MBCA "JUNJI"**. 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.

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

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 **JONESA M. SARMON** has filed with this office a petition for correction of entry in **CHILD'S SEX** from **MALE** to "**FEMALE**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **RHIAN PHYLBERTH MOLEÑO SARMON** who was born on **OCTOBER 15, 2014** at **Pototan, Iloilo** and whose parents are **STEPHEN REY ESTOQUIA SARMON** and **JONESA COBRADOR MOLEÑO**.

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

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

NE/March 10, 2025 & March 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 **JOHNNY C. DEL ROSARIO** has filed with this office, a **PETITION FOR CHANGE OF FIRST NAME** from "**JONIE**" to "**JOHNNY**" in the Certificate of Live Birth of **JOHNNY CORDERO DEL ROSARIO** who was born on **AUGUST 18, 1965** at **Pototan, Iloilo** and whose parents are **PONCIANO BOLIVAR DEL ROSARIO** and **MARGARITA MENDOZA CORDERO**.

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/March 10, 2025 & March 17, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province: **Guimaras**
Municipality of **Jordan**

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In Compliance with Section 5 of R.A. No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **IVY JOY G. TANJUSAY** has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name from "**OMEGA**" to "**IVY JOY**" in the Birth Certificate of **OMEGA GABASA GANGE** who was born on **October 19, 1969** at **Jordan, Guimaras, Philippines** whose parents are **PORFERIO GANGE** and **ALBINA GABASA**.



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

(SGD.) JESUSA M. MILLONDAGA
Municipal Civil Registrar

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

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estates of the late **MERLINDA P. CASTAÑEDA, LORETO P. CASTAÑEDA, and MARY GRACE P. CASTAÑEDA** consisting of the following: **Lot 1, Pcs-06-000634**, being a cons-subd. of Lots 965-C-14, Psd-26244 and Lot 960-C-45, Psd-6283, situated in the District of Jaro, City of Iloilo, covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 71790** with an area of **THREE HUNDRED THREE (303) SQUARE METERS, more or less**; **Lot 2654-G-2-A-1**, Psd-06-060413, being a portion of Lot 2654-G-2-A, Psd-063036-027500, situated in Brgy. Mali-ao, Pavia, Iloilo covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-205,811** with an area of **FIVE HUNDRED (500) SQUARE METERS, more or less**; bank deposits with **BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS (BPI), E. Lopez, Jaro Branch**, namely, **Peso Savings Account No. 001333-3348-59** and **Peso Time Deposit Account No. 001339-2471-25** are adjudicate to sole surviving heir **AMY P. CASTAÑEDA**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. FLORA MAY L. ALEJANDRO** per Doc. No. 22, Page No. 06, Book No. II, Series of 2023.

NE/March 10, 17 & 24, 2025

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **NONIE SILVELA DENAMARQUEZ** known as **Lot 8020-A-2, PSD-06-057823**, being a portion of Lot 8020-A, PSD-06-035868, situated in Brgy. Pagdugue, Dumangas, Iloilo covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. (T-215220) 090-2017006596** with an area of **TWO HUNDRED (200) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **GUILLERMA BARON DENAMARQUEZ and MARIAM DENAMARQUEZ ESPORTON**. That, **GUILLERMA BARON DENAMARQUEZ** renounced and relinquished her rights and interests over the said parcel of land in favor of **MARIAM DENAMARQUEZ ESPORTON**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. ROSIE G. GARCIA** per Doc. No. 231, Page No. 48, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

NE/March 10, 17 & 24, 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 **CONNIE GRANDE** has filed with this office a Petition for Change of First Name from **"MA. JANETTE"** to **"CONNIE"** in the birth certificate of **MA. JANETTE CARO JUANGA** who was born on **July 25, 1959** at **Agc. Calsada, 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/March 3, 2025 & March 10, 2025

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **TEODULFO L. C. CASTRO** known as **Lot 7-E, Psd-06-007628**, being a portion of Lot 7, (LRC) Pcs-21218, situated in Mandurriao, Iloilo City covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-117619** with an area of **TWO HUNDRED FIVE (205) SQUARE METERS, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **LUCILE ABRAHAM CASTRO, TEODULFO RICARDO A. CASTRO, JR., MARTIN SAMUEL A. CASTRO, and JOSEFA MARIA A. CASTRO-ALFABETO**. That, the heirs waived and relinquished their share and interest over the said parcel of land in favor of **TEODULFO RICARDO A. CASTRO, JR.**, free from all liens and encumbrances whatsoever, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. HENEDINES C. ARANDA** per Doc. No. 309, Page No. 63, Book No. I, Series of 2024.

NE/March 10, 17 & 24, 2025

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE AND WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **ELLAVIRA PEREGRINO BOYNTON** known as bank deposit with **LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES** under **Account No. 0031540623** is adjudicated to heirs **BRENDA VILLARETE LABASTIDA, REBECCA VILLARETE YANDOG, FRANCISCO DUNDEE VILLARETE (aka as FRANCISCO VILLARETE), ALEX PEREGRINO VILLARETE, CELINO PEREGRINO VILLARETE, CONNIE VILLARETE CONTE, and NORINYL MAE RONIMO AMBI**. That, the heirs undertook to waive and transfer their rights, claims and interests pertaining to the said bank deposit in favor of **CONNIE VILLARETE CONTE** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. JUDE VINCENT D. FONTILON** per Doc. No. 52, Page No. 12, Book No. VI, Series of 2024.

NE/March 10, 17 & 24, 2025

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

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with Section 5 of RA 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that **ANNA MARIA THERESA PAMPOSA BREIJ** has filed with this Office a petition for change of First Name from **"MARIA TERESA"** to **"ANNA MARIA THERESA"** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **MARIA TERESA PAMPOSA BREIJ** who was born on **November 19, 1980** at **Mina, Iloilo** whose parents are **MARTINUS MARIA JOHANNES BREIJ** and **CONCEPCION CORDERO PAMPOSA**.

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

(SGD.) MARIA C. TOMO
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/March 3, 2025 & March 10, 2025

Coordination Division Jessica C. Esmao emphasized the importance of looking beyond sex-disaggregated data and fully-integrating GAD principles across four key areas of fisheries such as livelihood, enforcement, research and development, and training programs.

"While we consult stakeholders before proposing projects, we previously lacked a structured approach to making them truly gender-responsive. This training has given us clarity and concrete steps [in doing our projects while integrating the GAD concepts]," said Alvin D. Beltran from the Provincial Fisheries Office (PFO)-Capiz during the feedback session.

For Maria Aimee A. Sobrevega, officer-in-charge of PFO Iloilo, the training served as a refresher on GAD concepts while reinforcing the need to evaluate proposals through both the gender and the ecosystem approach to fisheries management lenses.

The BFAR is optimistic about institutionalizing gender-responsive fisheries projects with the renewed awareness and practical tools discussed among its personnel. (AAL/AGP/PIA 6)



BFAR REGION 6

BFAR 6 ... (from page 13)

from abuse. Financial stability gives them the ability to fight, negotiate, and make informed decisions," Lao said in one of the sessions.

Chief of the Regional Fisheries Training and Fisherfolk

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-2025-0110**

DATE: **FEBRUARY 14, 2025**

IN RE: PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF KRISTOFER II TALLAFER ATURDIDO TO BE KNOWN THEREAFTER AS KRISTOFER TALLAFER TACAY

RODNE MACARONCIO TACAY
Petitioner

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ORDER

A verified petition for the adoption of Kristofer II Tallafer Aturdido 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, **Kristofer II Tallafer Aturdido** be declared for all legal intents and purposes the legitimate child of the petitioner and that the name of the adoptee be changed particularly to appear as **Kristofer Tallafer Tacay**.

Finding the said Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be set for Mandatory Appearance on **March 14, 2025**, to be held at **RACCO VI at 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, RSW
Officer-in-Charge

NE/February 24, March 3 & 10, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Guimaras
Municipality of Jordan
OFFICE OF THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In Compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that **JOENA MAY E. GUINSATAO** has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of sex from **"MALE"** to **"FEMALE"** and a petition for change of first name from **"ANALO"** to **"JOENA MAY"** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **ANALO EPELIPSIA GUINSATAO** at **JORDAN, GUIMARAS** and whose parents are **GLICERIO G. GUINSATAO** and **CLARA G. EPELIPSIA**.

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

(SGD.) JESUSA M. MILLONDAGA
Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/March 3, 2025 & March 10 2025



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Owner

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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11214-25

For: Extrajudicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135, as amended.

CHINA BANK SAVINGS, INC.,
 Mortgagee

-versus-

SPS. JAMES L. MOMBLAN
AND PINKY D. MOMBLAN
 Mortgagors.

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Petition for Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135, as amended, filed by **CHINA BANK SAVINGS, INC.**, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Philippines, with principal place of business at CBS Building, No. 314 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as **Mortgagee**, against **SPS. JAMES L. MOMBLAN AND PINKY D. MOMBLAN**, all of legal age, Filipinos, with residential address at 1) 1st St., Jardeleza Subd, Brgy. San Juan Blvd., Molo, Iloilo City, and 2) Lot 2, Block 4, Ciudad de Iloilo Brgy. Calumpang, Molo, Iloilo City, Philippines, hereinafter referred to as **Mortgagors**, for the satisfaction of the mortgage indebtedness which as of **December 31, 2024** amounted to **FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY SEVEN PESOS AND SIXTY TWO CENTAVOS (Php583,857.62)**, Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest and penalties, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo and/or his duly authorized deputy Sheriff will SELL at Public Auction on **APRIL 03, 2025** at 10 o'clock at the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Hall of Justice Building, 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. 095-2018000775

A Parcel of Land (LOT 2, BLOCK 4, PCS-06-005336), BEING A PORTION OF THE CONSOLIDATION-SUBDIVISION OF LOT 799-C, PSD-06-038138 AND LOT 1852, ILOILO CAD. 24, SITUATED IN BRGY. CALAPARAN AND CALUMPANG DISTRICT OF AREVALO AND MOLO, RESPECTIVELY CITY OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, BOUNDED XXXXX CONTAINING AN AREA OF EIGHTY (80) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **APRIL 29, 2025**, without further notice.

Iloilo City, Philippines, February 07, 2025.

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

(SGD.) MARK EMMANUEL D. DELMO
 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.

NE/March 3, 10 & 17, 2025

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Spec. Proc. No. 19-1820

In the matter of the settlement of the intestate of the late Priscilla Sison Agana and Paul Vincent Sison Agana and issuance of letters of administration

Ma. Cynthia S. Agana
 Petitioner.
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ORDER

Before this Court is a motion by petitioner through her counsel, Atty. Rean S. Sy, to order the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) to compute Estate Taxes within 15 days and accept payment thereof.

Finding the motion to be in order, the same is hereby **GRANTED**.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR), Zarraga, Iloilo, is hereby directed to compute the Estate Taxes of the deceased Priscilla Sison Agana and Paul Vincent Sison Agana and accept payment for the same. This is to facilitate the settlement of the estate and for petitioner to avail of the tax amnesty.

SO ORDERED.

16 October 2024, Dumangas, Iloilo.

(SGD.) VICENTE V. GO
 Presiding Judge

NE/March 3, 10 & 17, 2025

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **AUREA ALMINARES CAMPANO** known as **Lot No. 1686**, Psc-26 situated in Brgy. Binalud, Alimodian, Iloilo covered by **ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. F-1816, FREE PATENT NO. 19006** with an area of **Thirteen Thousand Five-Hundred Twenty One (13,521) square meters, more or less** is adjudicated to surviving heirs **TERESITA CAMPANO ALMENDRALEJO and ROGER ALBELAR CAMPANO**. That the said heirs/adjudicatees hereby **SELL, CEDE, TRANSFER and CONVEY** by way of Absolute Sale the said parcel of land in favor of spouses **YVONNE C. ESTIMAR and BERNARDO L. ESTIMAR, JR.**, represented by her sister **SYRA HOPE A. CANTOMAYOR**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. GODOFRED S. CON-EL** per Doc. No. 460, Page No. 92, Book No. I, Series of 2024.

NE/March 3, 10 & 17, 2025

AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **ROBERTO SOLUREN** known as remaining monthly pension for the months of **December 2024 and January 2025** being remitted through **Philippine National Bank (PNB) - La Paz, Iloilo City Branch** is adjudicated to surviving heir **ARLENE SOLUREN** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. SALVACION JOAN GULMATICO** per Doc. No. 125, Page No. 26, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

NE/March 3, 10 & 17, 2025

DEED OF ADJUDICATION WITH SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **JUNY A. GALLO** known as a bank deposit with **Land Bank of the Philippines – Guimaras Branch**, San Miguel, Jordan, Guimaras under **Savings Account No. 1921-0855-20** is adjudicated to heirs **ANNIE DENILA GALLO, OSCAR TIMOTHY D. GALLO, JUN CROMWELL D. GALLO and JUNE ANNE D. GALLO**. That the heirs appointed their mother and co-heir **ANNIE D. GALLO** as their lawful Attorney-in-fact, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. ROBERT JAMES CASTRO FERRER** per Doc. No. 23, Page No. 6, Book No. II, Series of 2025.

NE/March 3, 10 & 17, 2025

AFFIDAVIT OF LOSS

Notice is hereby given that **MA. LUISA JALANDONI** of 43 Arguilla Street, San Lorenzo Village, Makati City had filed an **Affidavit of Loss** pertaining to **Two Stock Certificates of Iloilo Golf & Country Club, Inc.** specifically **Stock Certificate No. 717** issued on **December 8, 1990** and **Stock Certificate No. 1651** issued on **January 2, 1997** as entered in the notarial registry of **Atty. Sherlock Jun C. Villegas** per Doc. No. 497, Page No. 101, Book No. 49, Series of 2024.

NE/Feb. 24, March 3 & 10, 2025

DEED OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL ADJUDICATION WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **MA. LUNA E. VILLARETE** known as a parcel of land covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-114922 (095-2017001414)**, Lot No. 29, Block 12, of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-184005, being a portion of Lot 2144-B (LRC) Psd-184003, Jaro Cadastre, LRC (GLRO) Record No. 8, situated in Jaro, Iloilo City with an area of **TWO HUNDRED FORTY NINE (249) SQUARE METERS, more or less** and the late **ALEJANDRO L. VILLARETE** known as a residential building under **TAX DECLARATION NO. 24-03-002-03340, PROPERTY INDEX NO. 139-03-002-12** with an area of **124.38 SQUARE METERS** are adjudicated to heirs **MA. RHODORA ESTANDARTE VILLARETE, MA. VICTORIA ESTANDARTE VILLARETE, JOHN RHODALE ESTANDARTE VILLARETE, and VINCENT MARTIN ESTANDARTE VILLARETE**. That, **RHODORA ESTANDARTE VILLARETE** hereby **WAIVE, CEDE, TRANSFER and CONVEY** by way of **WAIVER OF RIGHTS** the above-said parcel of land and residential building in favor of **MA. VICTORIA ESTANDARTE VILLARETE, JOHN RHODALE ESTANDARTE VILLARETE, and VINCENT MARTIN ESTANDARTE VILLARETE**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MANDELVIN B. DADIVAS** per Doc. No. 288, Page No. 59, Book No. III, Series of 2025.

NE/Feb. 24, March 3 & 10, 2025

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

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with R.A. Act No. 9048 & 10172, a notice is hereby served to the public that **EDITHA M. IGUIRON** 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 **EDITA MANDARIO IGUIRON** who was born on **SEPTEMBER 16, 1970** at **MAASIN, ILOILO** and whose parents are **BASILIO JABLO IGUIRON** and **FELISA TOLENTINO MANDARIO**.

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

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

NE/March 10, 2025 & March 17, 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 **KIMBERLY ACANA AVANCE** has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of entry in **CHILD'S SEX** from **MALE** to **FEMALE** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **KIMBERLY ACANA AVANCE** who was born on **March 28, 1988** at **Mina, Iloilo** and whose parents are **RODRIGO EVANGELES AVANCE** and **CRISELDA GONZALES ACANA**.

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

(SGD.) MARIA C. TOMO
 Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/March 3, 2025 & March 10, 2025