

'SENSE OF PRIDE'

Treñas highlights administration's accomplishments, legacy

BY MARY JOY CAVANAS

MAYOR Jerry Treñas reflected on his administration's achievements and best legacy in terms of development and key projects in Iloilo City.

In a press conference, Treñas highlighted extensive renovations of public markets and plazas across the city, including the addition of new fountains. "We have done so much such as ICare Centers, Health centers, rehabilitation of plazas, and markets. Right now we are being called one of the leaders on the circular economy as we have our waste to energy project that

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Iloilo International Airport to undergo major upgrades

TWO key projects of the Department of Transportation (DOTr) and the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP) under the Iloilo International Airport Development Program are currently in the mobilization phase, with a combined allocation of over PHP 190 million from the DOTr General Appropriations Act (GAA) 2024, downloaded to CAAP. These infrastructure upgrades follow the directive of President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. and DOTr Secretary Vince Dizon to modernize the country's transport hubs under the Build Better More program. The first project, with a total cost of PHP 132.90 million, focuses on the rehabilitation and improvement of the Passenger Terminal Building (PTB); including civil and structural works, architectural Works (roof fascia cleaning, tile, ceiling, wall cladding, painting, waterproofing, doors & windows, toilet partitions), mechanical and electrical works (replacement of air-

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Jalaur River Multi-purpose Project (JRMP) Stage II Communication Officer Steve Cordero tours the Infrastructure Development Council (IDC) of the Regional Development Council 6 (RDC 6) led by Ms. Ma. Luisa Segovia to the JRMP II Housing Project for Indigenous People (IP) in Sitio Agburi, Barangay Cahigon, Calinog on May 22, 2025. The site visit followed the RDC 6 IDC special meeting at the JRMP II site in Calinog. (NIA 6 photo)

Redevelopment of Iloilo City's 5 markets near completion

BY MARY JOY CAVANAS

THE simultaneous construction and redevelopment of five public markets in Iloilo City are in full swing and they may open within the year.

This was disclosed by Iloilo Mayor Jerry Treñas as he provided updates on the ongoing projects during a press conference last June 3, 2025.

The redevelopment of two market malls—Iloilo Central Market and Iloilo Terminal Market—are funded through the public-private partnership (PPP) between the city government and SM Prime Holdings, Inc. (SMPHI).

"SM has informed me that their construction will be completed by September and October 2025. By September, our vendors can start moving in, and operate together with the opening of the mall—Iloilo Central Market—in October. I don't want our vendors to start operating before the mall is finished, because that would defeat the purpose of ensuring good business for them," Treñas explained.

Treñas added that the Arevalo Market is expected to be completed first among the public markets under redevelopment and may open as early as October this year. The La Paz Market follows closely, as it is already fully funded and complete with the necessary facilities.

"The last to be finished will be the Jaro Market, since it is the biggest in the city. But it will also be the most improved, with a designated parking area and a police station to be constructed at the back to help monitor illegal activities, especially drug-related concerns," he said.

The city mayor emphasized the importance of aligning vendor operations with mall developments for better business performance.

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CHO confirms new Mpox cases, calls for public awareness

BY MARY JOY CAVANAS

ILOILO City Health Office (CHO) reported a total of six monkeypox (Mpox) cases wherein four were confirmed while two were suspected as of June 2, 2025.

The patients have separate cases in which one has domestic travel history. They are currently undergoing isolation, medical treatment, and are reported to be in stable condition.

CHO Head Dr. Mary Ann Diaz said they are currently working to clearly define what constitutes community transmission, in response to questions on whether the city has identified any confirmed cases or outbreaks.

According to the protocols of the Department of Health (DOH), close contacts of these six cases are not required to isolate unless they are

symptomatic— showing signs and symptoms.

Mpox's common symptoms include fever, headache, muscle aches, back pain, fatigue, swollen lymph nodes, and skin rashes.

Immunocompromised individuals, pregnant women, and children are also at higher risk of Mpox.

Diaz stressed that anyone

can contract Mpox though all recorded cases in the city composed of adults.

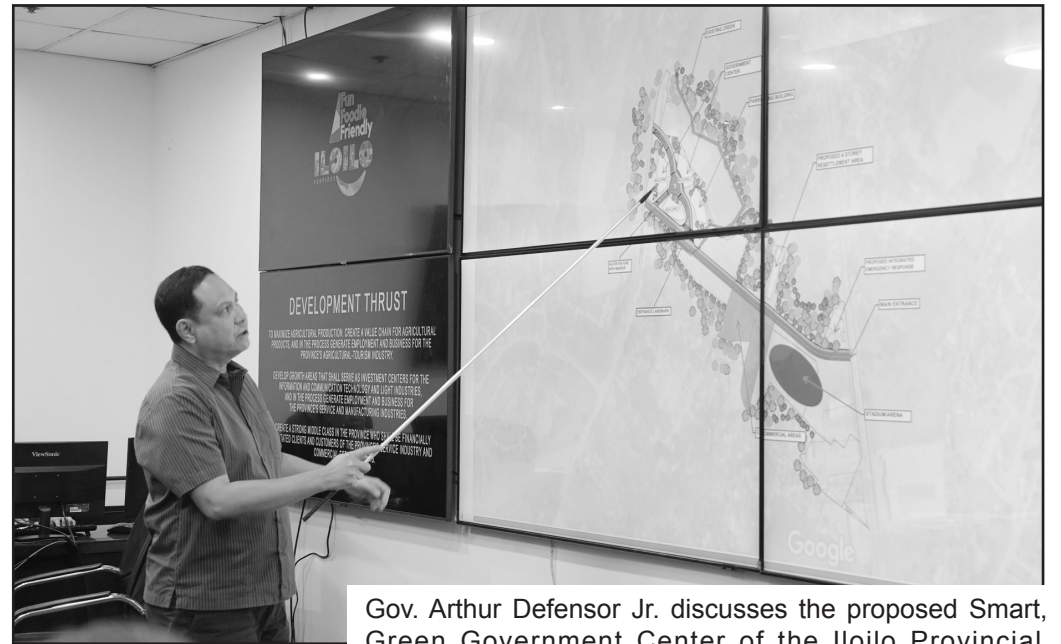
The city government intends to seek approval from the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM) in Metro Manila to authorize the Usdag Molecular Laboratory in Molo District to perform confirmatory testing for Mpox.

Additionally, the city also actively coordinated with various stakeholders in the community for prevention and containment efforts through scheduled meetings including :

* June 2 - with City Hall department heads

* June 3 - with barangays, business sector, transport sector, Iloilo City Police

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Gov. Arthur Defensor Jr. discusses the proposed Smart, Green Government Center of the Iloilo Provincial Government in Barangay Bolong Oeste, Santa Barbara, Iloilo during a meeting with Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) VI officials led by Regional Director Sanny Boy Oropel on June 2, 2025. (Capitol photo)

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hopefully will happen soon," Treñas said.

The city mayor further emphasized his administration's commitment to sustainable development, promoting a circular economy focused on waste energy reduction and aligning with sustainable development goals (SDG) of United Nations (UN).

"We're making sure that we have redundancy in water by starting our negotiations in Aboitiz eventually, hopefully that will push through together with the desalination project of the Metro Pacific Iloilo Water (MPIW). Like power, water is very important. It's one of the considered sustainable development goals under the UN," he added.

He also noted the construction of school buildings, helping informal sectors in terms of infrastructure project, and vendors livelihood trainings and programs during his tenure.

Treñas reflected on the city's transformation since he first took office in 2001, recalling the challenges Iloilo City faced at the time such as it was once considered the dirtiest city in the country as garbage was everywhere, and waste collection was a major issue, and the streets used to be dark that safety was a also a concern for anyone heading home.

He cited the strong partnership between the local government and the private sector for the city's development.

Treñas emphasized that more than physical developments—the most valuable legacy of his administration is the restored sense of pride among Ilonggos.

"It's not the infrastructure, it's not the plaza, it's not

the markets which for me are the greatest legacy but it's the sense of pride that here in Iloilo City, if we have good leaders, we can make it work," Treñas stressed.

Meanwhile, Treñas reiterates his intention to continue helping, but clarifies he will not accept any formal position in City Hall. He noted that he is open to being designated as a political advisor for his successor, daughter and mayor-elect Raisa Treñas-Chu, noting the distinction—a designation doesn't come with a salary. He also cited that his daughter is an independent person, reflecting briefly on his own past practices wherein she used to take care of her younger siblings as the eldest child.

"I will continue to help out. As I have said, I will not accept any position here in City Hall. At the very least, I think I'll accept the designation— not appointment— as political advisor for Raisa.

The difference between an appointment and a designation is that in designation, you are not appointed and you won't have a salary so for me, it's okay to be designated as a political advisor and I will help out politically. But you know, Raisa has been a very independent person ever since," said Treñas, expressing confidence in his successor's readiness to lead, citing her management education and commitment.

Treñas also emphasized the city's progress but noted that there is still much work to be done, especially in terms of addressing children's nutrition and education efforts through establishment of public libraries equipped with books and free Wi-Fi.

He also stressed the need for sufficient water and power supply, as coal-fired power plants are no longer an option.

"We must continue working to ensure Ilonggos are prepared in times of need," he added.

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conditioning units, fire alarm system, ducting, lighting fixtures, chilled water piping), plumbing Improvements and installation of new furniture and special equipment, including escalators and elevators, and repair of the passenger boarding bridge and departure conveyor.

On the other hand, the second project, worth PHP 37.55 million, involves the supply, installation, and commissioning of three (3) new 600 KW chillers to ensure reliable temperature control in the terminal. This includes mechanical and electrical works, civil/structural works.

Currently, the PTB can accommodate 367 domestic and 360 international passengers. After the completion of ongoing and planned works, these capacities are expected to rise to 675 domestic and 407 international passengers, boosting service potential at Iloilo airport.

In addition to ongoing works, CAAP and DOTr have lined up several major infrastructure projects for implementation in 2025 which include the PTB rehabilitation worth PHP 141.11 million, asphalt overlay of the existing runway amounting to PHP 550 million, and procurement of runway asphalt overlay works amounting to PHP 49.98 million.

"These improvements at Iloilo International Airport are part of DOTr and CAAP's commitment to give a better travel experience for passengers—by ensuring that airports across the country are safe, efficient, and passenger-friendly," said CAAP Director General Lt. Gen. Raul L. Del Rosario AFP (Ret).



DepEd Iloilo eyes temporary learning spaces in fire-hit school

ILOILO CITY – The Department of Education (DepEd) Schools Division of Iloilo is considering establishing 10 temporary learning spaces to ensure learning continuity after a fire destroyed several classrooms

of the Alimodian National Comprehensive High School in Alimodian town on Monday.

"The temporary classrooms will serve as our stopgap solution while we prepare long-term reconstruction plans," Schools Division Superintendent Dr.

Ernesto Servillon Jr. said in a statement on Wednesday.

A comprehensive rehabilitation plan was crafted after Servillon led the inspection of the damaged areas on Tuesday.

Over PHP4.19 million in regional

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IP youth leader to represent PH in Taiwan leadership program

ILOILO CITY – A youth leader from the indigenous peoples (IP) community in Lambunao, Iloilo will represent the Philippines in the 2025 Asian Girls in Action Project power camp in Taiwan on July 20 to 27.

Sharielle Angelie Lemonar, 15, an incoming Grade 10 student of the Canninguan National High School in Barangay Canninguan, passed the stringent screening and got the slot through her project “Kubong Kultura” (cottage of culture), aimed at preserving and celebrating the rich indigenous traditions of the Panay Bukidnon tribe.

“She is one of only 10 young female leaders from across Asia to participate in the youth leadership

program. The camp brings together outstanding girls from diverse cultural backgrounds to collaborate on projects that empower women and promote cultural heritage,” the Baryo Balangaw Creative Initiatives said in a statement on Wednesday.

Baryo Balangaw Creative Initiatives, a local non-government organization committed to bridging communal art experiences and sustainability, mentored Lemonar and helped shape her cultural and community-based advocacy.

Lemonar’s project offers hands-on workshops in traditional crafts such as weaving and tubok (natural dyeing) while providing training in digital

marketing.

By equipping local women with both ancestral and modern skills, the project helps them grow sustainable livelihoods and strengthen their cultural identity.

“Kubong Kultura is a space that aims to empower women and rural communities by promoting and preserving the rich culture and traditions of the Panay Bukidnon people through our traditional handicrafts such as basket-weaving and embroidery or ‘panubok,’” Lemonar said during her presentation before officials of the municipal government of Lambunao on Monday.

She added that the project



GIRL IN ACTION. Sharielle Lemonar (5th from left) poses with officials and employees of the local government of Lambunao, Iloilo on Monday (June 2, 2025) after presenting her project that earned her a slot in the 2025 Asian Girls in Action Project power camp set in Taiwan on July 20 to 27. An incoming Grade 10 student, Lemonar is one of only 10 young female leaders from Asia who will participate in the youth leadership program. (Photo courtesy of CEC Infocenter Lambunao)

Research center cultures 600K 'sugpo' larvae in Iloilo City

ILOILO CITY – Around 600,000 larvae of tiger shrimps (*Penaeus monodon*), locally known as “sugpo,” are currently stocked in two earthen ponds at the Dumangas Brackishwater Station of the Southeast Asian Fisheries and Development Center Aquaculture Department (SEAFDEC/AQD) here.

The larvae were harvested from the biosecure hatchery at SEAFDEC/AQD’s main station in Tigbauan, Iloilo on May 20.

“These larvae, produced using wild spawners from Carles, Iloilo, were used to seed another grow-out run under SEAFDEC/AQD’s ‘Oplan Balik Sugpo’ program,” the research center said in a statement on Wednesday.

Grow-out culture involves raising the tiger shrimp from juvenile to harvest size in ponds or cages.

The larvae are expected to be harvested after 120 days of culture.

The “Oplan Balik Sugpo” program, initiated by SEAFDEC/AQD chief Dan Baliao, seeks to revive the once-thriving black tiger shrimp sector in the country.

The program focuses on improving local broodstock, strengthening biosecurity practices, and promoting sustainable farming approaches.

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‘BALIK SUGPO’. Around 600,000 larvae of tiger shrimps are currently stocked in two earthen ponds at the Dumangas Brackishwater Station of the Southeast Asian Fisheries and Development Center Aquaculture Department (SEAFDEC/AQD) in Iloilo City. The research center has been trying to revive the thriving black tiger shrimp sector in the Philippines through the “Oplan Balik Sugpo” program. (Photo courtesy of Nyra Armada)



FARMING. A rice farm in Sibalom, Antique on Tuesday (June 3, 2025). Office of the Provincial Agriculturist Rice Program coordinator Hanna Lindo said in an interview that 65,055 bags of certified inbred rice seeds were already released to 18 municipalities in the province for the wet season. (PNA photo by Annabel Consuelo J. Petinglay)

DA-PhilRice delivers 95% of certified seeds allocated for Antique

SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique – The Department of

Agriculture-Philippine Rice Research Institute (DA-PhilRice) has delivered 95 percent of the 68,800 bags

of certified seeds allocated for Antique for the wet season.

Office of the Provincial

Agriculturist Rice Program coordinator Hanna Lindo said in an interview on Tuesday that they already released to 18 municipalities the 65,055 bags of certified inbred rice seeds under the Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund Seed Component Program as of May 28.

The delivery started in February as part of the prepositioning of materials for the wet season.

Currently, farmers are waiting for sufficient water supply from the National Irrigation Administration to start planting.

“Of the 65,055 bags of certified inbred rice seeds delivered, 50,663 were already distributed to the farmers,” she said in an

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Not a movie, not a play

All the talk about the so-called Cabinet reshuffle is about to become a thing of the past because the so-called courtesy resignations look and sound more like “a game of musical chairs,” as columnist Boo Chanco wrote.

But what we should be asking PBBM is: what’s the plan? What is or are the specific problems the President wants to address and who are his specific targets, audience or beneficiaries?

Purely from what has been shared by Malacañang, the reason the economic team was retained was all about economic “window dressing.”

“The marching order of the President is to enhance the economic situation in the eyes of the outside world and here in the Philippines.” Given the track record of the administration, I interpret “eyes of the world and here in the Philippines” as referring to lending institutions.

Is that the plan? Is that a plan that will restore PBBM back in the grace or favor of the Filipino people? I think not. Between his unparalleled borrowing and failure to deliver on basic services, making the economy look good is not a plan.

Based on the history of his economic team, we Filipinos are going to be up for a fight as Team Tax To Death begins to impose more taxes, just like the recent idea to increase estate and inheritance taxes as well as tax “digital nomads.”

That is where the fault lies: the government collects and collects but barely gives out directly to Filipinos, except 4Ps and ayuda as a legal form of vote buying. PBBM gets no PR benefit because congressmen take all the credit, get the votes and entrench themselves in power.

So, what is the plan? To show Filipinos “natauhan siya” or acknowledge the voters’ rebuke? Let me point out that the voters’ rebuke is just a small segment of the angry, dissatisfied population. The fact that Filipinos are cutting costs, spending less and living lives on “second

choices” or ukay-ukay shows we are “living in the winter of our discontent.”

Denzel Washington reminds us that “dreams without goals are just dreams, and ultimately they fuel disappointment,” and in the play Jesus Christ Superstar, Judas goes: “Every time I look at you, I don’t understand why you let the things you did get so out of hand? You would have managed better if you had a plan.”

May I humbly suggest for PBBM to find his Bible and go through one chapter (40) of the Book of Genesis, where Joseph, “an ordinary person,” gives better counsel to the Pharaoh than all the wise men and magicians of Egypt and ends up saving Egypt as well as surrounding nations from famine.

Relying on experts and technocrats is like relying on “all the king’s men and all the king’s horses who could not put Humpty Dumpty together again.” If PBBM wants to make amends with Filipinos at large, he should “walk the floor,” find out their actual daily problems and challenges as well as their aspirations.

PBBM used to have a better feel for these as a governor and senator. He should also ask selfless CEOs and successful change makers instead of relying on his usual advisers and friends who failed to save him from his reaching his pinnacle of unpopularity.

Do what Buddha, St. Francis of Assisi did, get away from the lap of luxury and mingle with real people, real Filipinos. MRT/LRT commuters always challenge senators and congressmen to lose the cars and take the trains, especially during rush hour.

We who are blessed and better off think nothing of having water, hot showers and maybe even a pool. But last Sunday I was visited by a struggling couple who literally represent the “isang kahig – isang tuka” or daily wage earners who eat if they have part-time work.

They come from the outskirts of Bgy Lumbang in Lipa City, Batangas. They told of how they go to a dilapidated water impounding tank fed by a mountain spring every 3 a.m., fill recycled bottles and containers

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up to 5 a.m. then walk a couple of kilometers, everyday, just to drink unfiltered water and wash their clothes.

At the moment, the spring water is reduced to a trickle because of summer, not to mention that the mountainous area and forest land have been penetrated and slowly deforested by speculators and people staking out property.

They came to ask me for five “containers,” a bicycle with a side rack or kulong as well as solar lights because they can’t afford electricity. These simple things will raise the quality of life for five kids and three adults.

Ironically, Lipa, Batangas has become the next destination and development site for real estate developers building exclusive commercial-residential communities, while people in the outskirts of Lipa don’t have running water.

Senator Bong Go did not win as number one just because of his allegiance to FPRRD. He won because he consistently focused and supported public health. His Malasakit Centers and support for hospitals are well known and hugely admired by the poor, doctors and even hospital administrators and the middle class.

Filipinos can afford and have to buy rice, so the government’s P20 per kilo rice, given its sketchy and limited distribution, does not hit the mark, but public health and medical costs are often economically devastating.

Senator-elect Marcoleta has been quoted as suggesting scrapping the VAT on electric bills and this has solicited very positive response across the economic strata because it is a cost that hits the pockets hard and forces Filipinos to sacrifice on their quality of life or pay higher electric bills.

“If you can’t beat them, then join them” in doing what works.

It’s about accountability

The provisions on impeachment in the Constitution are not in Article VI on the legislative branch, but under a separate Article XI, on the “accountability of public officers.” This should indicate the importance attached to accountability by the framers of the Charter.

Section 3(4) of Article XI states: “In case the verified complaint or resolution of impeachment is filed by at least one-third of all the Members of the House, the same shall constitute the Articles of Impeachment, and trial by the Senate shall forthwith proceed.”

It’s a reflection of our level of literacy that we have redefined “forthwith.” Maybe the framers of the Constitution should have included a definition of terms in Article XI.

Section 1 of Article XI states: “Public office is a public trust. Public officers and employees must at all times be accountable to the people, serve them with utmost responsibility, integrity, loyalty, and efficiency, act with patriotism and justice, and lead modest lives.”

The last part alone, on “modest lives,” if applied, could decimate the entire national leadership. One look at the parking areas of the Senate and the House of Representatives would easily prove this. And we’re not yet even looking at the lawmakers’ pricey clothing, designer bags and shoes.

Accountability should be foremost in our minds as we watch the senators sparring over the impeachment of Vice President Sara Duterte.

We’ve impeached a president, a chief justice and an ombudsman, although only the chief justice was convicted and ousted in a trial. Joseph Estrada was ousted as president by people power, became mayor of Manila and nearly won a second term as president. Merceditas Gutierrez quit as ombudsman and kept her fat pension, and was even appointed by President Marcos to the board of trustees of the Government Service Insurance System.

Now here we are, still groping in the dark on the way forward in the first-ever impeachment trial of the Vice President of the republic.

After seeing Senate President Francis Escudero redefine the meaning of “forthwith,” we’re now faced with the prospect of senators voting not to proceed with trying an impeachment complaint forwarded by the House of Representatives.

Can senators turn their back on a constitutional mandate?

The excuse is that senators are of two minds on whether or not an impeachment trial that opened in the current 19th Congress can be carried over to the incoming 20th.

Shouldn’t they just go ahead and begin the trial (even if no longer forthwith from the filing of the Articles of Impeachment), let the 20th Congress continue the proceedings, and keep going unless stopped by the Supreme Court? The SC, whose members may be removed through an impeachment trial, may even decide to keep its hands off the Senate impeachment process.

This case being the first-ever impeachment involving the second highest official of the land, the issue is expected to end up in the SC anyway, with VP Sara’s lawyers bringing it to the High Court. Senators, despite their political alliances, are supposed to sit as impartial judges in an impeachment trial.

At the rate certain senators are shooting their mouths off about what they think of the impeachment, they should have the delicadeza to inhibit themselves in case the trial pushes through, for having already prejudged the case even before the presentation of the charges and evidence.

Inhibition in this case, however, is not a rule but a personal decision, so we’re not expecting it from anyone. And we might yet see the Senate plenary voting not to proceed with the trial.

This means the charges against the VP will have to be refiled in the 20th Congress, after the one-year period from the filing of the current complaints lapses. That period, according to the House secretary general, started upon the receipt of the complaints by the

House justice committee.

As for the impeachment trial in the Senate, the proceedings

officially started upon receipt by the chamber of the Articles of Impeachment from the House – which was way back in February.

Sketches

Ana Marie Pamintuan



Maybe Chiz Escudero is simply interpreting this sui generis case based on his appreciation of the Constitution and the Senate’s own rules. But he is being perceived to be stalling and trying to stop the trial and consequently prevent the VP’s ouster.

If the perceptions are valid, the question is why.

Escudero has become the subject of (mostly ugly) speculations, with nothing to do about public accountability. One is that he is courting the support of the pro-Duterte senators to keep his post as Senate chief in the 20th Congress. Or is he acting on behalf of President Marcos? This presumes that BBM truly finds no reason to get rid of the VP through impeachment, which in turn implies that BBM has no control over his favorite cousin the Speaker.

Another speculation is that Escudero is courting the support of the Dutertes (and the Mindanao / Visayas vote) for a possible run for the presidency in 2028.

Impeachment is a political process. But it’s also about accountability. Shouldn’t this be the primordial consideration of every member of the Senate? The higher the position, the higher the bar should be set for public accountability.

We already know the issues raised in the Articles of Impeachment filed against the Vice President. Doesn’t the nation deserve to know the truth and see justice rendered? Doesn’t VP Sara herself want a definitive ruling on her professed innocence?

It’s a one-of-a-kind event. This sui generis episode in our national life should be memorable for being good for the health of our society.

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SPEC. PROC. NO. 25-16010

IN THE MATTER OF THE INTESTATE
ESTATE OF SPOUSES LEOPOLDO P.
MERCURIO AND MARIA MAIDO-
MERCURIO,

MERLE M. MERCURIO-DE LOS
REYES, NELSON M. MERCURIO,
NESTOR M. MERCURIO, BELEN M.
MERCURIO, RODNEI M. ARDAMA,
AND RENEI M. ARDAMA,

Petitioners,
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ORDER

In a verified petition dated April 24, 2025¹, the petitioners **MERLE M. MERCURIO-DE LOS REYES, NELSON M. MERCURIO, NESTOR M. MERCURIO, BELEN M. MERCURIO, RODNEI M. ARDAMA AND RENEI M. ARDAMA** through their counsel Atty. Charmaine Joy P. Filarmeo, pray that the estates of Spouses Leopoldo P. Mercurio and Maria Maido-Mercurio be settled and distributed, that petitioner Merle M. Mercurio-De Los Reyes be issued in her favor an Order granting Letters of Administration over the estates of deceased Spouses Leopoldo P. Mercurio and Maria Maido-Mercurio who both died intestate on June 16, 2021 and on July 30, 2012, respectively, at the West Visayas State University Medical Center in Jaro, Iloilo City, as shown by their Certificates² of Death attached to the petition, and that pending the appointment of a regular administrator, petitioner Merle M. Mercurio-De Los Reyes be appointed as Special Administratrix to serve without bond of the estates of Spouses Leopoldo P. Mercurio and Maria Maido-Mercurio. The petitioners alleged that they are among the surviving heirs of the Spouses Leopoldo P. Mercurio and Maria Maido-Mercurio together with the following, namely, Retchel Ardama-Siosan residing at Block 8 Lot 88 Landheights Ville Subdivision, Tagbak, Jaro, Iloilo City, Rachel Joy Ardama residing at Q. Abeto Street, Mirasol, Mandurriao, Iloilo City, Ronie Ardama residing at Q. Abeto Street, Mirasol, Mandurriao, Iloilo City, Rutchel Ardama residing at Q. Abeto Street, Mirasol, Mandurriao, Iloilo City, Lyn Grace Ardama residing at Q. Abeto Street, Mirasol, Mandurriao, Iloilo City, Carlos M. Mercurio residing at Q. Abeto Street, Mirasol, Mandurriao, Iloilo City, and Lerma M. Mercurio-Armendez residing at Q. Abeto Street, Mirasol, Mandurriao, Iloilo City. According to the petitioners, the Spouses Leopoldo P. Mercurio and Maria Maido-Mercurio at the time of their respective deaths left real and personal properties with an estimated value of Four Million One Hundred Fifty Two Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Seven and 98/100 Pesos (Php4,152,467.98), to wit:

- a. **Lot 2115-G-2 with an area of One Thousand Six Hundred square meters (1,600 sq.m) located at Abeto Mirasol, Mandurriao, Iloilo City, Philippines with market value of Five**

Million Nine Hundred Twenty Thousand Pesos (Php5,920,000.00) and assessed value of Five Hundred Seventy Seven Thousand Two Hundred Pesos (Php577,200.00) covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-114520;

- b. **Residential building located at Abeto Mirasol, Mandurriao, Iloilo City, Philippines with market value of Six Hundred Thirty Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Pesos (Php630,590.00) and assessed value of One Hundred Thirty Two Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Pesos (Php132,420.00) covered by Tax Declaration No. 24-05-001-01191; and,**

- c. **Bank deposits in the amounts of Seventy Two Thousand Eighty and 23/100 Pesos under Metrobank Peso Account No. 012-101206771-0, Twenty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Four and 88/100 Pesos under Metrobank Peso Account No. 012-3-01291776-8, and Eight Thousand One Hundred Seventy Five and 98/100 Dollars (\$8,175.98) under Metrobank Dollar Account No. 012-001202601-5.**

The petitioners further alleged that since the death of the Spouses Leopoldo P. Mercurio and Maria Maido-Mercurio, no settlement either judicial or extra-judicial of their properties have been made. Finally, the petitioners stated that petitioner Merle M. Mercurio-De Los Reyes is competent, able, and willing to act as Administrator of the estates of the Spouses Leopoldo P. Mercurio and Maria Maido-Mercurio and that she has all the qualifications of a judicial Administrator and none of the disqualification and is ready and willing to post a bond as provided under Rule 78 of the Rules of Court.

WHEREFORE, finding the petition sufficient in form and in substance, the same is hereby set for hearing on **August 18, 2025 at 8:30 in the morning** at the **Regional Trial Court, Branch 27, Iloilo City**, on which date, time, and place, all persons who have any opposition to the petition may appear to show cause, if they have any, why the petition should not be granted. Accordingly, notice is hereby given that any person who has objection to this petition may file their opposition thereto on or before the date of hearing. The petitioners shall cause this **Order** to be published in the newspaper of general circulation in the City and Province of Iloilo, once a week for **three (3) consecutive weeks** such that the last publication would be at least **fifteen (15) days** before the date of hearing at the expense of the petitioners. Further, let copies of this Order be posted at the **Bulletin Board of the Regional Trial Court, Branch 27, Iloilo City** at the **Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice Building, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City** and at **two (2) conspicuous places at Iloilo City** at the expense of the petitioners.

Furnish the petitioners and their counsel Atty. Charmaine Joy P. Filarmeo, and all the heirs of Spouses Leopoldo P. Mercurio and Maria Maido-Mercurio, a copy each of this Order.

SO ORDERED.
Iloilo City, Philippines. May 5, 2025.

(SGD.) **ELIJO SHARON R. HERRERA-BELLONES**
Presiding Judge

NE/May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025



SPRAY. Outdoor spraying in the Municipality of Sebaste in this undated photo. Antique Integrated Provincial Health Office Information Officer Irene Duldoco said in an interview Wednesday (June 4, 2025) that they are proposing spraying as part of the Brigada Eskwela cleanup to ensure that schools are free of dengue vectors. (PNA photo courtesy of Pamela Azucena)

Antique health office urges outdoor spraying during ‘Brigada Eskwela’

SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique – The Antique Integrated Provincial Health Office (IPHO) is proposing to the Department of Education (DepEd) Schools Division of Antique to include outdoor insecticide spraying as part of the “Brigada Eskwela.”

IPHO Information Officer Irene Duldoco said in an interview Wednesday that outdoor spraying is proposed after the cleanup activity, particularly in areas with clustering of dengue cases.

“There are already five deaths due to dengue; the latest is a four-year-old child. That is why we really have to make sure that the schools are safe,” she said.

Duldoco said IPHO has dengue-treated screens they could provide to schools upon request to make sure that the classrooms are free from mosquitoes.

They also have insecticides for spraying if schools cannot request them from their rural health units.

“There are 1,740 dengue cases in the province from Jan. 1 to May 31,” Duldoco said.

The 1,740 dengue cases in the province already include the five deaths in the towns of Culasi, Sebaste, Anini-y, Valderrama and Tobias Fornier.

The weeklong Brigada Eskwela prepares the schools for the June 16 opening of classes. (PNA)

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seeks to provide sustainable livelihood training and will directly engage women in the community.

Lemonar will be accompanied by her school adviser and chaperone, Christy Ann Lacuesta, to Taiwan.

The 2025 Asian Girls in Action Project is an innovative program under the Asian Girls Campaign of the Garden of Hope Foundation focused on empowerment and education to uplift girls.

The program supports girls aged 15 to 19 in carrying out projects aligned with at least one of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. (PNA)

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Office (ICPO), Bureau of Quarantine, Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP), Philippine Ports Authority (PPA), Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), and Philippine Coast Guard (PCG)

* June 4 - with schools, universities, boarding houses, regional offices, and religious sector

* June 5 - with BPOs, social hygiene clinics, and representatives of the sex worker community

Meanwhile, a patient approaching the end of 21-day isolation period may possibly extend or prolonged if symptoms appear or continue beyond the initial timeframe.

The public is also urged to remain vigilant, seek early medical attention, report symptoms honestly, practice frequent handwashing, wear face masks and long sleeves, avoid crowds when possible, and travel safely.

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standby response funds would be utilized to implement the rehabilitation plan, according to the Schools Division of Iloilo.

In addition to temporary classrooms, the fund will also be used in the clearing operations to remove debris and other hazardous materials, procurement of 10 complete teachers' kits and 10 play kits for the affected grade levels, and temporary water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities.

"Every minute counts in restoring normalcy for our affected students," Servillon said.

Servillon, together with DepEd Regional Education Support Services Division chief Leonerico Barredo and disaster specialists, also met with Alimodian Mayor Ian Kenneth Alfeche, who expressed the readiness of the local government to help fast-track the rehabilitation of the fire-hit school.

The fire, which broke out early Monday morning, left an estimated damage of PHP14 million, according to authorities.

Based on initial investigation, 14 rooms, including a canteen and a clinic, were razed by the fire, while the school's gymnasium was partially damaged. (PNA)

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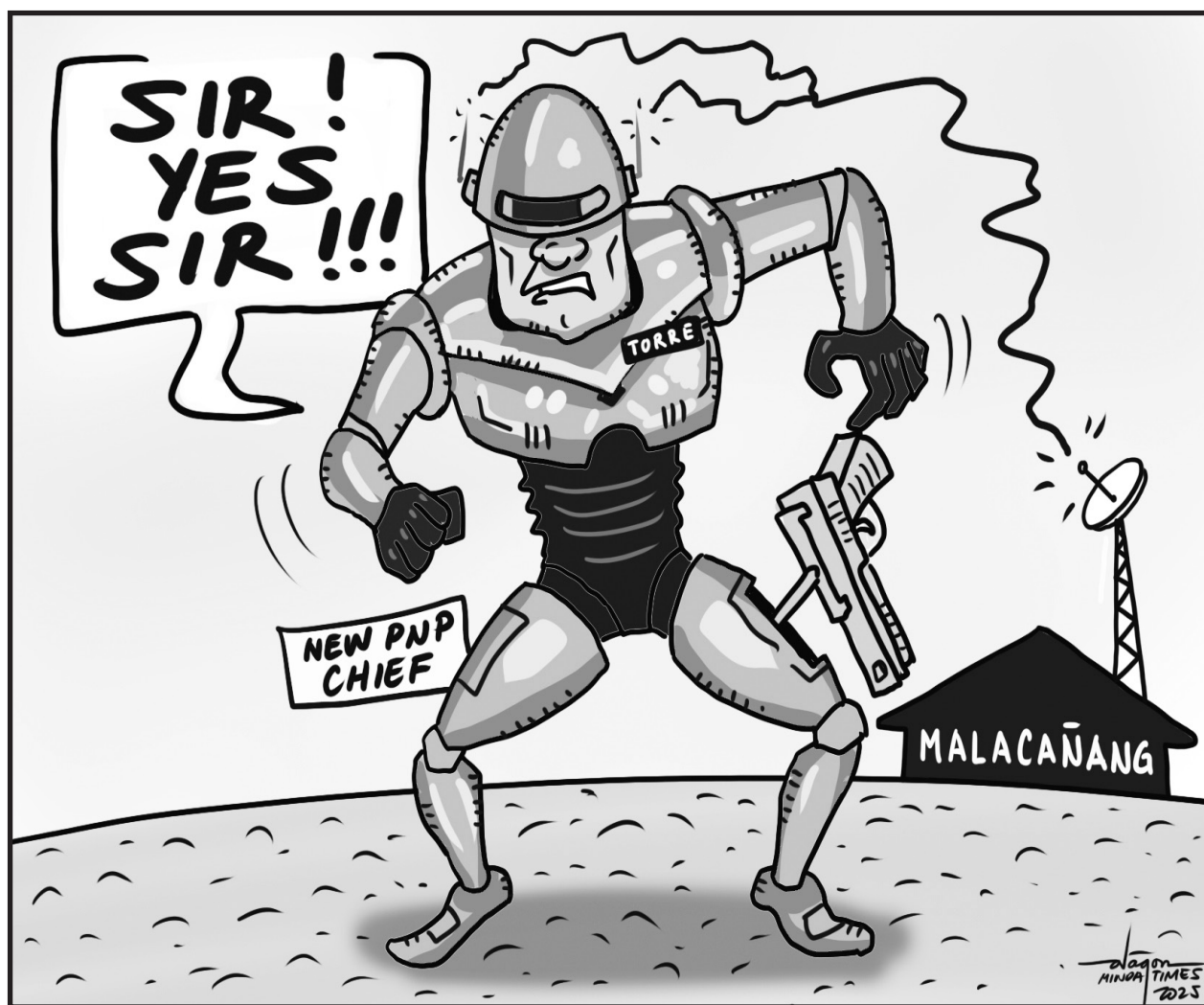
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The new chief of the Philippine National Police, Gen. Nicolas Torre III, wants to hit the ground running as he buckles down to work.

First off, he vowed to make appointments in the institution during his term to be “based solely on merit,” and “only the most competent will be entrusted with the right positions in the right places...Deliver excellence in your police work... and you will be recognized and rewarded,” Torre said.

His plans for the PNP include four key thrusts. One, implement a three-minute emergency response. Two, reinforce unity and morale among its ranks. Three, further modernize its technology. And four, hold erring officers accountable.

Torre enjoined the 230,000-strong institution to ensure “swift response to the public, unite and uplift the morale of your fellow public servants, and hold yourself and others within the ranks accountable. Just real talk. No need for endorsements under my leadership.”

“Of course, I have to reiterate that all of these actions must be done within the ambit of the law, evidence-based, and rights-respecting. I challenge each and every member of the PNP to be louder

than me, not only in words but also in action,” he explained.

Before becoming the 31st PNP chief, Torre was the director of the Davao Regional Police Office and later headed the Criminal Investigation and Detection Group.

In both positions he chalked up two outstanding accomplishments.

In Sept. 2024, he led the enforcement of the arrest warrant for preacher Apollo Quiboloy, who faces allegations of child abuse, sexual abuse, and qualified trafficking.

In March this year, Torre was the ground commander of the police team that arrested former President Rodrigo Duterte and handed him over to the International Criminal Court in The Hague, Netherlands, to face allegations of crimes against humanity during his administration’s drug war.

On the PNP’s continuing drive against illegal drugs, Torre said police operatives would intensify kegal arrests of suspected traffickers.

in question. The problem is communication. This episode on the EDSA rehabilitation highlighted an often overlooked yet essential aspect of governance and public service: public information.

This serves as a wake-up call for the MMDA and other government agencies that large-scale projects require a robust public information strategy—clarity over chaos.

We’re not just talking about an infrastructure project here that would require minor adjustments on the part of commuters and motorists. We’re talking about a major public undertaking that requires the cooperation of the people to succeed in a timely basis.

With millions of vehicles and commuters traversing EDSA on a daily basis, a potential disruption of this magnitude should be accompanied by correct, clear, timely, and accessible information. We cannot allow major decisions surrounding a project this big to be executed in a vacuum.

Public information cannot be an afterthought in situations such as this given that EDSA is a lifeline not only for the economy but in the daily lives of millions of people.

Effective public information campaigns are borne out of comprehensive planning, and consultations with technical experts, businesses, motorists, and the riding public. To say that a public information campaign is truly effective, it should address the basic concerns of the public well in advance of the implementation of the infrastructure project, and should inform the public of the essentials: what, when, where, why, and how they

The new top cop pledged to work harder to keep the country safe, respect Filipinos’ rights, and gain the people’s trust.

“To the Filipino people, the very reason for our existence, we, the Philippine National Police, shall work harder to earn and ensure that our communities are safe, your rights are respected, and your trust is earned,” Torre said. “I believe that we are ready to deliver on your expectations as we have done in the past,” Torre added.

So what will happen if police commanders fail to meet the three-minute emergency response time?

They may be removed to improve performance: “If you can’t do the mission, well, someone else will take your place and try to (accomplish) the mission.”

A promising start to his new post, if his words are any indication, that should be matched by sustained and concrete action in the coming months. (manilastandard.net)

Clarity over chaos

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. over the weekend ordered the suspension of the rehabilitation of the Epifanio de los Santos Avenue (EDSA)—a welcome and necessary intervention in light of the potentially chaotic rollout of the project.

According to the President, the postponement paves the way for government agencies to find a better way to implement the long overdue rehabilitation of Metro Manila’s main thoroughfare as commuters and motorists were left with more questions than answers after the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) initially announced the new “odd-even” traffic scheme that was supposed to be enforced alongside the repairs.

The supposed two-year project was put on pause following complaints and questions from the general public over the massive disruption resulting from the roadworks, which was coupled with confusing pronouncements from the government.

Large infrastructure projects are disruptive by nature, but the lack of clear communication about the details of the EDSA rehabilitation, particularly on mobility and traffic, only heightened public anxiety since initial announcements made by government officials lacked fundamental details, leaving motorists guessing for answers.

There is no doubt that EDSA needs rehabilitation. The intention and necessity of the project are not

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BY JOE ZALDARRIAGA

will be affected.

Government communicators must go beyond media interviews, press releases, and piecemeal and vague advisories. Effective public communication in this regard should involve clear timelines, rerouting and traffic schemes, on-the-ground information drives, easy-to-remember reminders, and visual and multilingual guides—all of which are accessible to the public in various channels.

The most important aspect and challenge here is how to explain all in a way that the general public—from the office executive to the street vendor—can understand and plan around. Anything less than this is disrespectful to the daily lives of Filipinos.

The suspension of the EDSA rehabilitation is an opportunity for the government to go back to the drawing board, not only to improve the technical details of the project but to overhaul its public information campaign.

As a resident of Metro Manila and a concerned citizen, I share the President’s call on government agencies involved in this project to find a better way to implement the rehabilitation of EDSA—one that works with and for the people, not around them.

Discipline, technology, social engineering via NCAP

There is a recent call by a motorcycle rights group to hold a so-called “Unity Ride for Equality and the Preservation of Life.” Despite its title, the event is clearly a protest ride against the implementation of the No Contact Apprehension Policy (NCAP). Last Monday, transport groups also staged a protest caravan against the aforesaid NCAP implementation. Apparently, motorcycle groups and transport groups are clearly organizing to protest this new iteration of NCAP enforcement.

One of the main complaints of the motorcycle groups is that the NCAP policy allegedly prevents them from utilizing “underutilized” open lanes. Specifically, these groups are citing the bicycle lanes, the PUV lanes and the lanes for four-wheel vehicles, which at times are allegedly not as congested as the motorcycle lane. In addition, this is the same complaint that motorists even those of the four-wheel variety use when they do illegal counterflow in small streets. The other lane is underutilized so they must be allowed to do illegal counterflows.

The other related complaint is that fixing them in a single lane prevents them from weaving in and out of other lanes, which is more convenient for them. This particular logic is ridiculous and self-centered. Weaving in and out of traffic is dangerous and increases the possibilities of collision and even road rage as

evidenced by recent incidents of road rage have shown. This kind of thinking is the same twisted logic that people use when they illegally use lines for senior citizens or PWDs or when they park on spaces reserved for senior citizens or PWDs. Despite the clear rules against illegal use of these lanes or spaces, many feel entitled to use the same since it is not used all the time.

It must again be reiterated that the rules for these lanes have long been in place. The NCAP only makes enforcement more efficient. Essentially, the argument can be simplified as motorcycles and PUVs in the past could occasionally get away with violating the rules and NCAP makes it impossible to violate the rules. As such, NCAP must be scrapped to allow them to violate the rules because these rules inconvenience them. Stripped down, their arguments can be exposed as a clear attempt to force a return to the chaotic situation where their shortcut mentality can thrive.

Unfortunately, we cannot allow this culture of rule bending to continue forever. The NCAP issue deals with a larger issue of our ability to do an incremental system of social engineering. If we allow a situational application of rules and a system where the ability to evade enforcement is rewarded to continue then we will perpetuate this culture of chaos to remain indefinitely. Poverty and inconvenience are not get out of jail a free card. Highways are shared spaces which require sacrifice. Admittedly, some will need to sacrifice more but as long as the rules are evenly and universally applied then it is not discriminatory. NCAP is not anti-poor because it essentially allows PUV’s more use as long as their drivers follow the rules.

OBLIQUE OBSERVATIONS

By Atty. Gilberto Lauengco, J.D.

Filipinos have shown that when they are in an environment where rules are enforced strictly, they can adhere to the same. In Taiwan, there are violations of rules, such as driving under the influence of alcohol, which will automatically cause deportation for the overseas worker no exceptions. This rule is known by all OFWs and in general violations are rare. Why can’t we impose that in our own country. If technology and lack of human intervention except in review is what it takes, then let us support the use of technology to instill discipline. Let us put more cameras and not less to monitor all sorts of violations which could include littering and even jaywalking. Let us increase the fines not lessen it.

Instead of retreating, we as a nation must push forward with more draconian measures to finally instill discipline and an internalized compulsion to follow the rules and avoid shortcuts no matter the consequence. If we have to drag recalcitrant rule-breaking members of our society kicking and screaming towards a more disciplined and orderly system, we must do so for all our sake. If we push onward with more measures maybe we can finally have order in our society.

NCAP must be retained. Let government tweak and adjust it but it must be retained.

FRESH VIEWPOINTS: A NEW PERSPECTIVE

By BRIAN JAMES LU

E-Net’s advocacy for marginalized, excluded, and vulnerable (MEV) groups is deeply grounded in the lived realities and challenges these communities face on the ground. As of September 2023, the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) had the highest number of out-of-school children, primarily due to the high cost of education. The dropout rate among indigenous children was three times the national average, while a staggering 60 percent of children with disabilities were not enrolled in any formal educational institution or learning facility. These figures indicate a pressing need for inclusive and equitable education policies.

The Philippine education system faces complex, multifaceted challenges. Addressing the specific needs of vulnerable sectors requires the collective effort of civil society organizations, communities, parents, and government stakeholders. Many of these issues have been highlighted in reports by the Second Congressional Commission on Education (EDCOM), which I have discussed in previous columns.

We are fortunate to see a strong and active civil society community in the education sector. Their efforts to bring the plight of marginalized, excluded, and vulnerable (MEV) groups to the attention of the government—and to advocate for increased education funding in response to these needs—are both timely and essential.

OGP is more than just a venue for policy dialogue—it is a powerful reminder of the essential role that citizens and civil society organizations play in building a more inclusive and accountable government. With education at the forefront, the OGP underscored the urgency of sustained collaboration, evidence-based advocacy, and meaningful public participation to address the needs of the marginalized, excluded, and vulnerable sectors.

More importantly, the value of education is undeniable, as captured in John Dewey’s powerful reminder: ‘Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.’ Ensuring that education remains accessible and equitable is not merely a policy objective—it is a fundamental step toward building a just and empowered society.

Advancing equity through open gov’t partnership (1st of 2 parts)

Amid the euphoria of victory and the despair of defeat in the midterm elections lies a crucial yet often overlooked democratic exercise—one frequently buried in mainstream print and social media: the active participation of citizens in shaping national and local budgets. Known as Open Government Partnership (OGP) Week, the event held from May 19 to 23 in the Philippines brings together government institutions, civil society organizations (CSOs), private sector partners, and the youth to champion the core values of transparency, accountability, citizen participation, and innovation in governance.

The OGP is a global initiative, and the Philippines is proud to be one of its eight founding members since its launch in 2011. The OGP aims to promote transparent, accountable, and inclusive governance. It brings together reform-minded governments and CSOs to co-create and implement concrete commitments that advance open governance. Through collaboration, the OGP fosters citizen participation, combats corruption, improves public services, and strengthens trust between governments and the people they serve. Today, the partnership includes 77 countries and 150 local governments—representing over two billion people—working alongside thousands of CSOs to drive meaningful democratic reforms.

The Philippines holds a distinctive position on the global stage, having once been hailed as the ‘NGO/CSO Capital of the World’ due to the remarkable number and vibrancy of its civil society organizations. Over the years, the active engagement of nongovernment organizations (NGOs) in governance has evolved into a formidable political force. Their collective voice and mobilization capacity have not only influenced public policy but, at critical moments in the nation’s history, have helped shape political outcomes—demonstrating the power of organized citizen action to make or unmake governments.

On Feb. 6, 2025, President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. stressed the need for transparency in governance as he officially opened the 2025 OGP Asia and the Pacific Regional Meeting (APRM), which brought together 800 participants from 40 countries, including government officials, civil society leaders, and policy experts. He stated, ‘Our people can only truly participate in governance if they have access to information. This access is made possible by government transparency, digitalization, and the institutionalization of the Freedom of Information

(FOI) through legislation, which is a constitutionally recognized principle.’

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Indeed, the OGP Week in the Philippines emerged as a landmark event for CSOs, offering a vital platform to legitimize and elevate their advocacies on a wide range of societal issues. From national to local levels of governance, it provided CSOs the opportunity to engage directly with government institutions, strengthen partnerships, and amplify their collective voice in the push for transparency, accountability, and inclusive, transformative governance.

OGP Week weaves together a diverse tapestry of issues reflecting the Philippines’ open government commitments. Spearheaded by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), the week’s activities highlight key people-centered concerns, including open agrarian reform, youth engagement in participatory governance, and CSO-government collaboration in the justice sector, among others.

One session that stood out to me was the education budgeting advocacy led by the Civil Society Network for Education Reforms (E-Net Philippines), Inc. E-Net is a coalition of over a hundred civil society organizations and education advocates dedicated to promoting the right to education for all—particularly the marginalized, excluded, and vulnerable sectors, or MEVs. As the civil society representative to the OGP Steering Committee on Education in the Philippines, E-Net plays a vital role in bridging grassroots experiences with policy-level dialogue, contributing meaningfully to participatory governance in the education sector.

E-Net emphasizes that public budgets should reflect public priorities—but too often, they overlook the voices and needs of the most marginalized. It asserts that budgeting must be a tool for inclusion and equity, not exclusion and privilege. E-Net advocates for the right to education of MEVs that include indigenous peoples, learners with disabilities, out-of-school youth and adults, children in conflict with the law or in detention, those in disaster-prone or conflict-affected areas, urban poor and street children, LGBTQIA+ youth, migrant children, children of OFWs, and those living in extreme poverty.

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For: EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSTRE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 1135 AS AMENDED BY ACT NO. 4118

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

-versus-

SPOUSES RENE P. PALOMO
and CHERRY H. PALOMO
Mortgagor/s.

SHERIFF’S NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Upon **EXTRA-JUDICIAL PETITION FOR SALE UNDER ACT 3135 AS AMENDED BY ACT 4118** filed by the *mortgagee*, **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (otherwise known as PAG-IBIG FUND)**, a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No. 9679 with principal office at The Petron Mega Plaza Building, No. 358. Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, against the *mortgagor/s*, **SPOUSES RENE P. PALOMO AND CHERRY H. PALOMO**, both of legal age, Filipino citizens, with postal address at #23 Bougainvilla St., Patalsville Subd., Brgy. Tabuk Suba, Jaro, Iloilo City, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of February 28, 2025, amounted to **(P 3,427,753.35)** inclusive of interest and other charges, the **EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF OF ILOILO** or his **LAWFUL DEPUTY** will sell at **PUBLIC AUCTION** on **JULY 31, 2025** at 10:00 o’clock in the morning at the **OFFICE OF THE CLERK COURT, REGIONAL TRIAL COURT, CJRQA HALL OF JUSTICE, BONIFACIO DRIVE, ILOILO CITY**, to the **HIGHEST BIDDER**, for **CASH** or **MANAGER’S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency, the following real estate property including the buildings and all improvements found thereon, to wit

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

In the event, the public auction should not take place on the sand date, it shall be held on **AUGUST 7, 2025** at the same time and place aforementioned without further notice.

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

Iloilo City, Philippines, May 21, 2025.

(SGD.) **ATTY. GERRY D. SUMACULUB**
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Iloilo City

(SGD.) **AL HOLBERT D. LIM**
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It also supported local shrimp farmers by supplying robust, hatchery-reared fry with higher survival rates that can improve farm yields and boost profitability.

“By producing disease-free and locally sourced larvae, we not only reduce dependence on imported shrimp stocks but also help shield farms from disease outbreaks,” Baliao said.

SEAFDEC/AQD yielded five tons of tiger shrimp from 200,000 postlarvae last year. (PNA)

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SPL. PROC. NO. 24-0239

IN THE MATTER OF THE
SETTLEMENT OF THE INTESTATE
ESTATE OF JOEL T. CASTRACION
AND ISSUANCE OF LETTER OF
ADMINISTRATION,

ELENA B. SANGOY HEREIN
REPRESENTED BY HER
ATTORNEY-IN-FACT
CORAZON B. CATALUÑA,
Petitioner,
X-----X

ORDER

Before this Court is a verified PETITION filed by petitioner, through counsel, praying that:

“1. *The letters of administration be issued and Corazon B. Cataluña be appointed as Administrator for the estate of Joel T. Castracion;*

2. *That after proper inventory, due notice, publication and hearing, the above-listed properties of the deceased as well as all future properties that may be discovered during the course of the proceedings be partitioned among the surviving heirs in accordance with the law.*

3. *Such other reliefs just and equitable in the premises.”*

Petitioner avers that Joel Castracion died intestate on February 8, 2024, at West Visayas State University Medical Center. At the time of his death, Joel Castracion was a resident of Brgy. Guadalupe, Janiuay, Province of Iloilo.

Joel Castracion is survived by his compulsory heirs, specifically his surviving spouse, Elena B. Sangoy, and his illegitimate child, Joel Castracion, Jr.

Petitioner further states that she and the late Joel Castracion had been living separately, while the latter resided with his live-in partner, Mary Jean Alianza Amar, and their son, Joel Castracion Jr., at Brgy. Guadalupe, Janiuay, Province of Iloilo.

Petitioner alleges that following the death of Joel Castracion, Mary Jean Alianza Amar refused her request for an amicable settlement of the estate. They also refused to disclose all the properties of the deceased nor provide the necessary information to make a proper inventory of her late husband’s estate.

She posits that due to their continued refusal, she, through her lawyers, sent several letters demanding that Mary Jean Alianza Amar and her son cooperate in preparing a proper inventory and work towards a fair and reasonable settlement of her husband’s estate. However, their continued noncompliance compelled her to file the present petition.

Petitioner likewise contends that Joel Castracion left several properties at the time of his death, consisting primarily of the following personal properties:

1. 2023 Toyota Pick-up with Plate No. FAO4006;

Iloilo City gov’t creates drainage task force for rainy season

ILOILO CITY – The city government here has created the Drainage Task Force to make a comprehensive assessment of the drainage infrastructure and identify critical flood-prone areas.

According to Executive Order 46 released to the media on Tuesday, Mayor Jerry Treñas said there is a need to

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interview.

The planting materials will benefit 10,909 farmers registered with the Registry System for Basic Sectors in Agriculture and will cover 8,751.06 hectares of rice farms in the province. (PNA)

2. 2022 KTM/Motorcycle with Plate No. 060106;

3. 2018 Toyota/SUV with Plate No. FAG7591;

4. 2015 Isuzu/Double Cab with Plate No. FAM6306;

5. 2019 Sinotruck/Dump Truck with Plate No. NGL1201;

6. 2018 Ford/Wagon with Plate No. FAD8424;

7. Kawasaki Ninja;

8. Kawasaki Rouser,

9. Jewelry and other valuable personal items.

Petitioner claims that, as the surviving spouse and a compulsory heir of the deceased, she seeks the issuance of letters of administration to protect her rights, facilitate a full inventory and accounting of the estate, manage its administration, and settle any claims for or against the estate during the ongoing estate proceedings.

She avers that, based on the limited information available to her, the estimated value of the estate is approximately **Four Million Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Pesos (P4,530,000.00)**, excluding those that might be discovered later on the conduct of full inventory and accounting.

Petitioner finally maintains that she is currently working abroad in United Kingdom and is the surviving spouse of the deceased, Joel Castracion. She posits that she is willing to post a bond that may be fixed by this court conditioned upon the circumstances enumerated in Section 1, Rule 81, of the Rules of Court, as amended.

Finding the said petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the same is set for hearing on **August 20, 2025, at 8:30 in the morning** before this court. Notice is hereby given that any person who has objection to this petition may file his/her opposition thereto within 15 days from service or last day of publication of this Order, stating the grounds or reasons therefor.

The petitioner shall cause this Order to be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and Province of Iloilo.

Record, however, shows that there is no proof that the Office of the Solicitor General and the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor of Iloilo have been served with a copy of the instant Petition.

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, the petitioner is hereby directed to submit proof that they have furnished the Office of the Solicitor General and the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor of Iloilo a copy of the Petition, within fifteen (15) days from receipt of this Order.

Furnish Atty. Alvin G. Delgado, the Office of the Solicitor General, the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor of Iloilo, petitioner Elena B. Sangoy, Joel Castracion, Jr., and Mary Jean Alianza Amar, a copy each of this Order.

The Sheriff/Process Server of this Court is directed to personally serve copy of this Order to Corazon B. Cataluña, Joel Castracion, Jr., and Mary Jean Alianza Amar.

SO ORDERED.

May 26, 2025.
Janiuay, Iloilo, Philippines

(SGD.) **GEMALYN FAUNILLO-TAROL**
Presiding Judge

NE/June 9, 16 & 23, 2025

coordinate efforts to mitigate flooding and ensure the drainage system is functional.

“The geomorphology and location of Iloilo City lend to its vulnerability to flooding during strong rains,” he said.

In addition to the comprehensive assessment, the task force is directed to develop strategic mitigation plans tailored to vulnerable drainage zones, including but not limited to La Paz-Huervana, Camalig, Jalandoni-General Luna-Mabini streets, Dungon Creek, and other areas as necessary.

They will also oversee the execution of drainage improvement projects and ensure compliance with **ILOILO CITY / page 15**



ILOILO-BATIANO RIVER SYSTEM SHORTLISTED FOR OUTSTANDING WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Iloilo-Batiano River System has made it to the official shortlist of nominees for the Search for Outstanding Water Quaoity Management Area (WQMA) 2025 shared by the Environmental Management Bureau.

It is among 16 WQMAs listed in no particular order that have been shortlisted for national evaluation based on the regional nominations submitted by the April 1 deadline. Site validation will be conducted from April 21 to June 6, 2025.

The final awardees will be announced during the Water Summit 2025 on June 27, 2025.

The selection was guided by their achievements in: Water Quality Improvement, Pollution Control, Stakeholder Engagement, and Sustainability of Initiatives.

Let us continue working together for a #CleanWaterPH and a more sustainable future.



City Mayor Jerry P. Treñas, along with Iloilo-Batiano River Development Council, met with DENR Secretary Ma. Antonia Yulo-Loyzaga, at Iloilo City Hall to discuss plans and projects for the river moving forward.



OFFICIAL
Shortlisted Nominees
for Outstanding WQMA 2025

in no particular order

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NAGUILIAN RS

2

SINOCALAN-DAGUPAN RS

3

CALAO-DELINQUENTE-DIADI RS

4

SABANG BAY

5

BACUIT-EL NIDO BAY

6

NAGA RIVER

7

BORACAY ISLAND

8

ILOILO-BATIANO RS

9

PANGLAO ISLAND COASTAL WATERS

10

ORMOC BAY

11

TUMAGA RIVER

12

CAGAYAN DE ORO RIVER BASIN

13

TAGOLOAN RIVER BASIN

14

TALOMO-DAVAO RIVER

15

LAKE SEBU

16

UPPER AMBURAYAN RS

Site Validation to run from April 21 to June 6, 2025

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San Jose, Antique

File No. F2025-152

IN RE: PETITION FOR EXTRA JUDICIAL
FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE
MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED,

FIRST IMPERIAL BUSINESS BANK, INC.,
Represented by its General Manager,
MARGARET B. BARCE,
Petitioner.

**SHERIFF’S NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL
AUCTION SALE**

Upon petition for extra-judicial foreclosure sale under *Act 3135, as amended*, filed by **FIRST IMPERIAL BUSINESS BANK, INC.,** represented by its General Manager, **MARGARET B. BARCE**, with office at BCB Bldg, Simon Ledesma St., Jaro, Iloilo City, against *mortgagors Spouses Rodita M. Tejares and Lino M. Tejares Jr. and Glen M. Tejares*, of legal age, Filipinos, and residents of Progreso St., Ilaoud, Bugasong, Antique, to satisfy the mortgage Indebtedness, which is as of **21 April 2025** amounts to Phil: Pesos: **One Million Three Hundred Sixty Three Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Six and 66/100 (Php1,363,386.66)**, plus sheriff fees and other fees relative to foreclosure proceedings, the undersigned sheriff will sell at public auction on **16 June 2025**, at 10:00 o’clock in the morning, or soon thereafter, at the Office of the Sheriff, RTC, Branch 64, Zaldivar Hall of Justice, Binirayan Hills, San Jose, Antique, to the highest bidder for cash or manager’s check and in Philippine currency, the following property with all its improvements thereon, to wit:

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 088-2023000082

“A parcel of land (Lot No. 1032-C-2-F-5...Portion of Lot No. 1032-C-2-F), including improvements thereon, located in Brgy. Ilaoud, Bugasong, Antique, Panay Island. Bounded on the NE., along lines 1-2 by Lot 1032-C-2-F-4; on the SE., along line 2-3 by Lot 1032-C-2-G (Road 4.00-5.00 m. wide); on the SW., along line 3-4, by Provincial Road (15.00 m wide); on the NW., along line 4-1, by Lot 1032-B...containing an area of **Three Hundred Thirteen (313) square meters, more or less.**”

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **23 June 2025** at the same time and place abovementioned without further notice.

San Jose for Bugasong, Antique, 08 May 2025.

EMILIO FELIPE Y. LEGASPI II
OIC, Clerk of Court-VI & Ex-Officio Sheriff

(SGD.) RAMIL P. MARTINEZ
Sheriff IV

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penalty of law.

NE/May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025

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6th Judicial Region
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CIVIL CASE NO. 24-35435

**FOR: DECLARATION NULLITY
OF MARRIAGE**

CHRISTIAN ALVIN MANTILLA,
Petitioner,

-versus-

VIOLA JOY ROTELO MANTILLA
Respondent.

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SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

For failure to effect personal service of summons on the person of the respondent, **VIOLA JOY ROTELO MANTILLA** for the reason that when the Sheriff tried to serve Summons on her on several occasions, the same failed as she is currently working abroad, the Court ordered that the service of summons upon said respondent, Viola Joy Rotelo Mantilla be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city and province of Iloilo once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks at the expense of petitioner, Christian Alvin Mantilla in compliance with Section 6, of A.M 02-11-10-SC. In addition, the Court ordered that a copy of the summons be likewise served on the said respondent, Viola Joy Rotelo Mantilla at her last known address by registered mail.

The principal grounds relied upon by petitioner Christian Alvin Mantilla, as alleged in the Petition and the reliefs prayed for are hereunder reproduced, to wit:

**“Petition
(Declaration of Nullity of Marriage)**

Comes now petitioner through the undersigned counsel and to this honorable court most respectfully states:

Petitioner is of legal age, married to herein respondent, Filipino, and with residence and postal address at Black 93, Ana Ros Village, Mandurriao, Iloilo City. Respondent is also of legal age, married to herein petitioner, Filipino, and with residence and postal address at Pakyad, Oton, Iloilo. That as per their Marriage Certificate, the herein parties were married last January 14, 2013.

The petitioner met respondent sometime last 2012 when he was studying in Cebu City and was currently enrolled at that time. That petitioner started to show to respondent that he was interested with her and courted her and after a few weeks she accepted him and they become lovers. That during the relationship they had problems as respondent continued to have communications with her male friends, but she would not allow him to read her text messages with them, which caused their constant fighting and bickering. Their sexual relationship later resulted to the pregnancy of the respondent. Respondent then asked petitioner to marry her, and he reluctantly agreed even though he was not yet ready for a family life as he was still studying and very young at that time and could not support a family and agreed only for the sake of their unborn child. That they decided to get married on January 14, 2013, in the Hall of Justice in Iloilo City, before Honorable Judge Maniba, and just a week later, after they got married, respondents gave birth to their son last January 22, 2013, at Western Visayas Medical Center, Mandurriao, Iloilo City.

That same year, petitioner also graduated from college and looked for a job and was immediately accepted at a BPO company and was able to support his family. That respondent was not contented with petitioner’s income and asked him if she could apply for a job in the company where petitioner was working and acceded to her request despite his hesitation as to who will take care of their child once she is working. That she got the job as a call center agent in the company where petitioner was working but in a separate account and location and it was at that time that their relationship became shaky as rumors circulated that the respondent is into a relationship with another man which petitioner did not mind it at first and trusted that respondent could not do such a thing to him as they are already married.

Months passed and petitioner applied for a higher position in the company and got promoted and in that same year, they decided to rent an apartment near their office which was not a blessing but a curse and it was this time that respondent become more distant from petitioner and her coldness to him is already clear as what she is doing is already suspicious as he noticed that she is always asking the petitioner if he will come home or still in the office as it was that time that she was seeing and is involved with another guy in the same company she was working with. The petitioner confronted respondent that leads them in arguing and fighting and he also went to her paramour during office hours to confront him but he denied it and pointed out that it was his wife who was the one making the first move. It was at that time that petitioner discovered that prior to that incident the three of them were already a hot topic in the office of the

respondent and he was so embarrassed about it.

Months have passed and petitioner decided to forgive her for the sake of their child, and they transferred apartment and moved to Delgado Street, Iloilo City to start anew as petitioner thought everything would be alright, but he was wrong, and she was again involved with another man. There were instances during the weekend that respondent said she will have a team building but she was lying as she was meeting a guy in Mandurriao Plaza and someone told the respondent that they saw his wife riding with him on his motorcycle. The petitioner confronted the guy and his wife but they both denied it and told him that he was just accompanied by his wife to go home which he did not believe at all knowing what his wife is capable of doing.

Months passed by and one day petitioner checked her cellphone, and he discovered some deleted messages with another guy he did not know, they argued for days that resulted to their separation as they decided to leave the apartment and move back to their respective houses. Petitioner came back to the house of his aunt while the respondent was living with her family and their son, and every weekend petitioner went to her house to visit his son. After several weeks petitioner keep thinking about his family as he did not want his child to have a broken family and he tried to talk to respondent, and she promised him that she will change for the better. The petitioner tried to forget about what she had done, and they started to be doing again and later, respondent asked him to rent an apartment in Bolilao, and they then lived together again.

Then one day, petitioner saw messages on her phone and he got devastated upon reading all their exchange messages that she was inviting the guy into their room during the night on weekends while he was working and he also saw a message that she is entering other guys as chatmates and planning on meeting up and was using another messenger app to log in order for her not to get caught. The petitioner confronted her, and she again denied and told him that it was just her best friend. That petitioner decided to pack up and went home thinking that it is too much to handle and he left the apartment and went home feeling depressed and pathetic and he did not know what to do and what to feel or what her reason why she did these things to him.

The petitioner could no longer afford to stay in such toxic relationship that he decided to separate from her as he could no longer swallow what she has done to him. The petitioner sucked the life out of him, and he was very devastated by what she was doing to their family, but he tried to move on with his life for the sake of his son. That herein parties have one child but have not acquired any property during their union. The above-mentioned circumstances and or actuations of respondent clearly demonstrate her insensibility or inability to show her love and respect to petitioner and to comply with her basic marital obligations towards her husband which are indeed apparent manifestations of psychological incapacity to comply with her essential obligation of marriage as provided for in the Family Code which provides inter alia that the husband and wife are obliged to live together, observe mutual respect, fidelity, and render mutual help and support. These matters have been corroborated by a psychological expert and will be presented during the trial proper.

Wherefore, premises considered, it is most respectfully prayed of this Honorable Court that after due notice and hearing, judgment be rendered: a. Declaring as null and void the marriage between herein petitioner and respondent; b. Absolving the petitioner of his duties and obligations as a husband; c. Granting such other relief as the honorable court may deem just and equitable under the premises.

Sara, Iloilo for Iloilo City, February 5, 2024.”
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DIRECTIVE

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

SO ORDERED.

Iloilo City, Philippines.

May 16, 2025.

ORIGINAL SIGNED

GLOBERT J. JUSTALERO
Presiding Judge

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

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KONSTRUCT, INC.

DESIGNER, CONSULTANT, CONTRACTOR

ENGR. JOMARIE A. ARIB, Ph.D., PME, ASEAN

General Manager / Inventor

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File No. F2025-153

IN RE: PETITION FOR EXTRA JUDICIAL
FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE
MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED,

FIRST STANDARD FINANCE CORP.,
Represented by its Asst. Branch Manager,
ANNABELLA C. ARAGON,

Petitioner.

SHERIFF’S NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL
AUCTION SALE

Upon petition for extra-judicial foreclosure sale under *Act 3135*, as amended filed by **FIRST STANDARD FINANCE CORP.**, represented by Its Asst. Branch Manager, **Annabella C. Aragon**, with office address at ACCE Bldg. Ledesma Mabini Streets, Iloilo City, against *mortgagors* **Analyn M. Modesto** married to **Andres D. Modesto, Jr.**, both of legal ages, Filipinos, and residents of Francisco, Tibiao, Antique, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness, which is as of **21 April 2025** amounts to Phil: Pesos: **One Million Two Hundred Eight Thousand One Hundred Two and 95/100 (Php1,208,102.95)**, plus sheriff fees and other fees relative to foreclosure proceedings, the undersigned sheriff will sell at public auction on **16 June 2025**, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning, or soon thereafter, at the Office of the Sheriff, RTC, Branch 64, Zaldivar Hall of Justice, Binirayan Hills, San Jose, Antique, to the highest bidder for cash or manager's check and in Philippine currency, the following property with all its improvements thereon, to wit:

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 088-2022000762

“A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 1071-C, PSD-060602-026583, BEING PORTION OF LOT 1071, CAD 818-D, BARBAZA CADASTRE), SITUATED IN THE BARANGAY OF JINALINAN, MUNICIPALITY OF BARBAZA, PROVINCE OF ANTIQUE, ISLAND OF PANAY. BOUNDED ON THE NE, ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 1071-B, ON THE SE, ALONG LINE 2-3 BY LOT 1071-G; ON THE SW, ALONG LINE 3-4 BY LOT 1071-D, ALL OF THIS SUD. SURVEY, ON THE NW, ALONG LINE 4-1 BY NATIONAL ROAD... CONTAINING AN AREA OF **FIVE HUNDRED (500) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.**”

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **23 June 2025** at the same time and place abovementioned without further notice.

San Jose for Bugasong, Antique, 20 May 2025.

EMILIO FELIPE Y. LEGASPI II
OIC, Clerk of Court-VI & Ex-Officio Sheriff

(SGD.) RAMIL P. MARTINEZ
Sheriff IV

WARNING:
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NE/May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025



EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE
AMONG HEIRS OF THE LATE
ABELARDO NONATO DELA CRUZ, JR.

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **ABELARDO NONATO DELA CRUZ, JR.** known as a parcel of land and all the improvements therein located at Brgy. La Huerta, Parañaque covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 010-2013001823** with an area of **Fifty One (51) square meters, more or less** is adjudicated to heirs **RENALYN DELA CRUZ BARRANCO, RALPH JUN DONESA DELA CRUZ, RHOSY BELLE DELA CRUZ RAFAL and ROSIE DONESA DELA CRUZ** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. CARL RUPERT CRISME MUELA** per Doc. No. 407, Page No. 83, Book No. 3, Series of 2025.

NE/June 2, 9 & 16, 2025

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL ADJUDICATION
WITH SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **NINFA VELEZ LUMAQUE** consisting of the following: **six-tenths (6/10) share** over a parcel of land **Lot No. 3415-C, PSD-06-006287** being a portion of **Lot 3415**, Iloilo Cadastre, covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2023001702** situated in La Paz, Iloilo City with an area of **One Hundred Seventy Six (176) square meters, more or less; Two (2) Burial Lots in FOREST LAKE MEMORIAL PARK - ILOILO** under **Certificate of Ownership No. I-4430 (Lot 4, SECTOR B - 135 and Certificate of Ownership No. I-6717 (Lot 1, SECTOR B - 136, both of area DATE PALM GARDEN)**, are adjudicated to compulsory heirs **LYNIE L. AGUILAR, LEO JOHN V. LUMAQUE, RON ELY V. LUMAQUE and DEXTER PAUL V. LUMAQUE**. FURTHER, **LEO JOHN V. LUMAQUE, RON ELY V. LUMAQUE and DEXTER PAUL V. LUMAQUE** designate their co-heir/ adjudicatee **LYNIE L. AGUILAR** to be their true and lawful Attorney-in-fact as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. KIMBERLY J. PACLAUNA** per Doc. No. 26, Page No. 7, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

NE/June 2, 9 & 16, 2025

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Iloilo
Municipality of Janiuy

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR
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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with **R.A. 9048**, a notice is hereby served to the public that **MARILOU LARIOS PALESTRA** has filed with this office a petition for **Change of First Name** from **“JOSE ROMY”** to **“NOLI”** in the Birth Certificate of **JOSE ROMY PAREDES LARIOS** who was born on **October 21, 1966** at Janiuy, Iloilo and whose parents are **Leopoldo Larios and Estelita Paredes**.

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

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

NE/June 9, 2025 & June 16, 2025

SAN JOSE DE BUENAVISTA, Antique – The Antique Integrated Provincial Health Office (IPHO) reminded the public to observe precautionary measures, including handwashing, as protection against the monkeypox (mpox) viral disease.

IPHO information officer Irene Duldoco said in an interview Wednesday that Antique has no mpox case. However, it would be better for Antiqueños to take precautionary measures due to the province's proximity to Iloilo.

Iloilo province has one confirmed mpox case, while Iloilo City has four laboratory-confirmed and two suspect

DEED OF EXTRAJUCICIAL PARTITION

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Spouses FRANCISCO G. HISOLE and ROBERTA VILLEGAS** consisting of the following parcels of land: **1) Lot No. 3027** of the Cadastral Survey of Sta. Barbara covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-119,321** with an area of **THIRTY THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN (30,687) SQUARE METERS, more or less; 2) Lot No. 3344** of the Cadastral Survey of Sta. Barbara covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-25569** with an area of **ELEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY (11,730) SQUARE METERS, more or less** and **Lot No. 3369** of the Cadastral Survey of Sta. Barbara covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-25569** with an area of **NINE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND ONE (9,301) SQUARE METERS, more or less; 3) Lot No. 3025** of the Cadastral Survey of Sta. Barbara covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-133,095** with an area of **FORTY THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SIXTY SEVEN (40,967) SQUARE METERS, more or less; and 4) Lot No. 3932** of the Cadastral Survey of Sta. Barbara covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-133,093** with an area of **TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHT (2,908) SQUARE METERS, more or less** are adjudicated to heirs **AGUSTIN V. HISOLE, ROGELIO V. HISOLE, LOLITA HISOLE PALLADA, PRUDENCIO V. HISOLE, NICANOR V. HISOLE, TERESITA V. HISOLE, BEN V. HISOLE, ROLANDO V. HISOLE, LORNA HISOLE REGODOS, GERRY V. HISOLE, EVELYN HISOLE PANES, and VIOLETA V. HISOLE**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. VICENTE B. DE ASIS** per Doc. No. 159, Page No. 33, Book No. XCVI, Series of 2006.

NE/June 2, 9 & 16, 2025

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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that **LINA L. JAMILI** has filed with this office, a petition for correction of entry in the child's SEX from **“FEMALE”** to **“MALE”** in the Certificate of Live Birth of **JOCEL LASTIMOSO JAMILI** at Janiuy, Iloilo and whose parents are **CELSO L. JAMILI** and **LINA LASTIMOSO**.

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

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

NE/June 9, 2025 & June 16, 2025

Frequent handwashing crucial for preventing spread of mpox: IPHO

cases.

“Antiqueños travel to Iloilo City or province back and forth for their transactions. It is really better that they do frequent handwashing and other precautionary measures,” she said.

Duldoco advised home isolation if they suspect having signs and symptoms of mpox such as fever, painful rash, muscle ache, back pain, and low energy.

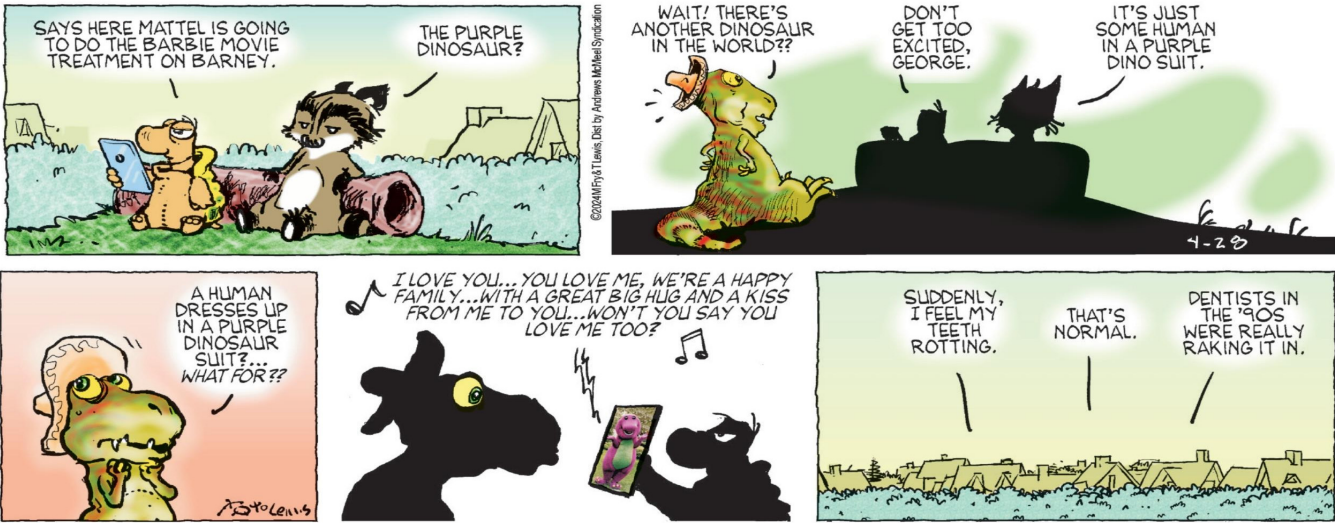
The rural health unit or health worker should be informed immediately for appropriate medical intervention.

“Keep yourselves well-informed about mpox by listening to the programs of the DOH or IPHO through the media so you would know what to do to prevent yourselves,” Duldoco said. (PNA)

HANDWASHING. The Antique Integrated Provincial Health Office (IPHO) reminds the public to do frequent handwashing as a precaution against monkeypox (mpox). IPHO information officer Irene Duldoco said in an interview Wednesday (June 4, 2025) Antique has no case of mpox, but precautionary measures have to be taken. (PNA photo by Annabel Consuelo J. Petinglay)

over the HEDGE

BY T. LEWIS & MICHAEL FRAY



PORK STEAK RECIPE

This pork steak recipe is simple and easy. The result delicious and worthy for an extra cup of rice. Pork chops were used for this recipe.



INGREDIENTS

- 4 pieces pork chops
- 5 tablespoons soy sauce
- 2 pieces lime or calamansi
- 1/2 cup cooking oil
- 2 pieces onions sliced
- 1 1/2 cups water
- 1/2 teaspoon granulated white sugar
- Salt and pepper to taste

INSTRUCTIONS

Combine pork chops, soy sauce, and lime juice in a large bowl or resealable bag.

Marinate for at least 1 hour.
4 pieces pork chops, 2 pieces lime, 5 tablespoons soy sauce
Heat a pan then pour-in cooking oil.

1/2 cup cooking oil

Pan-fry the marinated pork chops in medium heat for 3 minutes per side.

Remove excess oil. Pour-in the remaining marinade and water and let boil. Simmer for 45 minutes or until the pork is tender. Note: Add water as needed.

1 1/2 cups water

Add-in the sugar, salt, and pepper then stir.

1/2 teaspoon granulated white sugar, Salt and pepper to taste

Put-in the onions and cook for 3 minutes more.
2 pieces onions

Turn-off heat and transfer to a serving plate.

Serve. Share and enjoy!

HOROSCOPE

ARIES
March 21 - April 19
You might have visitors, Aries, or even a hot date scheduled for tonight. By midafternoon you might feel too tired to go out and wonder if you should cancel. It's best to keep your activities low-key. Have coffee and cake at home instead of going out, and get the cake from a bakery! Your evening should be full of exciting, stimulating conversation. You'll be glad you stuck with your plans.

TAURUS
April 20 - May 20
Deliveries that you expect could be delayed, Taurus. Today you might learn something shocking about a neighbor or relative. The gossip might spread rapidly through your community. This could have you reeling even though it might be exaggerated. You might visit a few people nearby or spend a lot of time on the phone trying to learn the truth. Don't take anything you hear at face value.

GEMINI
May 21 - June 21
Some good but surprising news could come your way today, Gemini. Perhaps a family member or friend will call or drop by with a surprising development that directly affects you. In the evening, go out together and celebrate. Don't forget to include your special someone in your celebration plans.

CANCER
June 22 - July 22
Today may start out frustrating, Cancer. Be prepared! Some equipment might go on the blink and it could take a while to get it fixed. A temporary separation from your partner could also be disappointing. You may have a lot of physical energy for which you have little immediate outlet. Take a long walk. This would not only provide an energy outlet but also clear your head.

LEO
July 23 - August 22
Your level of artistic inspiration is high today, Leo. Dreams or meditation may bring up some spiritual insights and revelations, and you may promptly forget them upon coming out of your dream or meditative state. This could prove frustrating! Try writing them down even if you only remember snatches. This can help bring them to the surface again. You will want a record of them anyway.

VIRGO
Aug. 23 - Sept. 22
Some upsetting news regarding money could throw you into a dither today, Virgo. Perhaps a check you've been expecting hasn't arrived on time. Maybe the bank has made an error regarding your account. It isn't anything that can't be straightened out, though it's going to be a pain making all the calls. Basically, all should be going very well for you. This is only a temporary setback.

LIBRA
Sept. 23 - Oct. 22
A setback in your career might have you feeling disoriented, Libra. Equipment might be involved. Don't go crazy. It's only temporary. Your determination, efficiency, and practicality should take care of it in no time. Basically, you're probably feeling optimistic about the future and unlikely to change that energy any time soon. Try not to worry about problems today. Spend time relaxing and enjoying the company of friends and family.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23 - Nov. 21
A delivery that you were expecting from far away might be delayed, Scorpio, causing you to wonder if it might have been lost. It hasn't. Unfortunately, there isn't much you can do but wait. Mechanical equipment could also go out of whack, necessitating a call to a repair service. This could set you back some and make you antsy. Try to find something else to do!

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22 - Dec. 21
Today you may feel especially passionate, Sagittarius, and desire a romantic encounter. You might even have a hot date scheduled. Don't be surprised if it has to be postponed for reasons beyond anyone's control. You might try to sublimate those feelings through creative activities. Romantic novels and movies could also prove good outlets, though never as good as the real thing!

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22 - Jan. 19
A visitor with a few problems might come to your door in search of advice and sympathy, Capricorn. He or she might also have some other news that could shock you. A professional crisis might make it necessary for you or your partner to spend most of the day away from home and family. This could be frustrating, particularly if you have to cancel plans. Hang in there!

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20 - Feb. 18
Tasks of any kind are likely to seem like the labors of Hercules today, Aquarius. Overwork and strain could have you feeling a little under the weather. It might be a good idea to take some time alone to rest. If you can't, at least try to take things easy. Also, some unexpected changes in your community might have tongues wagging. Be sure to check out the facts before jumping to conclusions.

PISCES
Feb. 19 - March 20
Money matters might be weighing on the mind of a close friend or lover, Pisces, and he or she might seek your advice. A creative project may require a larger expenditure of money, time, or other resources than you originally thought. This could make you wonder if you will be able to continue with it. It might take some tweaking on your part, but you should be able to complete it as planned.

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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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FORECLOSURE NO. F-11257-25

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

PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK,
Petitioner/Mortgagee,

-versus-

JEFFREY CHRISTIAN E. MABILOG,
Respondent/Debtor-Mortgagor

SHERIFF’S NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135 as amended by Act No. 4118 filed by the *petitioner/mortgagee* PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK, a universal banking corporation duly organized and existing under Philippine laws, with principal office address at PNB Financial Center, Pres. Diosdado Macapagal Boulevard, Pasay City, Metro Manila, against *respondent/debtor/mortgagor* JEFFREY CHRISTIAN ESCALANTE MABILOG, of legal age, Filipino and with postal addresses at (1) #4 San Jose St., Molo, Iloilo City and (2) Lot 3-B, Block 3, Bankers Village Subdivision, Brgy. Tabuc Suba, Jaro, Iloilo City to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **February 28, 2025** amounted to **FOUR MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED TWELVE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT PESOS & 01/100 (P4,712,978.01)**, Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest, penalties and other charges, plus attorney’s fees, publication cost, Sheriff’s legal expenses and other incidental expenses of foreclosure and auction sale, the **Ex-Officio Sheriff of Iloilo or any of his lawful deputies** will sell at **public auction** on **JULY 22, 2025** at **10:00 o’clock in the morning** at the **Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Chief Justice Ramon Q. Avanceña Hall of Justice, Bonifacio Drive, Iloilo City**, to the **HIGHEST BIDDER**, for **CASH** or **MANAGER’S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency, the following real property, including buildings and all improvements found thereon, to wit:

Registry of Deeds for Iloilo City
Transfer Certificate of Title
No. 095-2021001481

“A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 3-B, PSD-06-003424, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 3, BLK. 3, PSD-06-003424), SITUATED IN THE DISTRICT OF JARO, CITY OF ILOILO, ISLAND OF PANAY, BOUNDED ON THE SW., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 4, BLK. 3, PSD-06-003424; ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 2-3 BY LOT 3-A OF THIS SUBD. SURVEY, ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 3-4 BY LOT 2, BLK. 3; ALONG LINE 4-5 BY LOT 1; ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 5-1 BY ROAD (10.00 METERS WIDE) ALL OF PSD-06-003424. XXX CONTAINING AN AREA OF ONE HUNDRED THIRTY (130) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.”

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the aforementioned time and date. In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **AUGUST 5, 2025** at the same time and place aforementioned without further notice.

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

Iloilo City, Philippines, May 16, 2025,

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

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

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

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Sixth Judicial Region
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
Iloilo City
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
& EX OFFICIO SHERIFF

FORECLOSURE FILE NO. **F-11274-25**

RURAL BANK OF TIGBAUAN
(ILOILO), INC.,
Mortgagee,

-versus-

JESSIE D. GARCIA, married to
Ma. Sancha Pauline A. Garcia,
Mortgagor.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon verified request for extra-judicial foreclosure of mortgage [under Act 3135 As Amended], filed by **RURAL BANK OF TIGBAUAN (ILOILO), INC., Mortgagee**, duly organized under Republic Act No. 720 as amended, with principal office address at Tigbauan, Iloilo, against **JESSIE D. GARCIA married to MA. SANCHA PAULINE A. GARCIA**, a resident of 193 Avanceña St., Molo, Iloilo City, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **21 April 2025**, amounts to **FOUR MILLION SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND AND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE & 59/100 PESOS ONLY (Php 4,623,359.59)**, the undersigned Ex Officio Sheriff of Iloilo and/or ANY of his duly authorized deputy sheriff will sell at public auction on **JUNE 25, 2025** at **10:00 AM** at the Office of the Clerk of Court and Ex Officio Sheriff, Regional Trial Court, Hall of Justice Building, Iloilo City, to the highest bidder, for cash or manager’s check and in Philippine Currency, the following mortgaged properties, bounded and described, including all the improvements thereon, to wit:

”Transfer Certificate of Title
No. 095-2015001765

A parcel of land (Lot 27, Block 11 of the cons-subd. plan, PCS-06-005084. Being a portion of the cons. of Lots 860-B-1 to Lots 860-B-11 and Lot 860-B-13, Psd-06-043957), including all the buildings and improvements now existing thereon or which may be constructed or introduced thereon by the owner, situated in the Brgy. of San Jose, Dist. of Arevalo, City of Iloilo, Province of Iloilo, Island of Panay. Bounded on the SW., along line 1-2 by Lot 25, Block 11; on the NW., along lines 2-3-4-5-6-7 by road Lot 11; on the NE., along line 7-8 by road Lot 14; and on the SE., along line 7-8 by road Lot 14; on the SE., along line 8-1 by Lot 28, BVlock 11; all of the cons-subd. plan. Xxxx Containing an area of **TWO HUNDRED FORTY FOUR (244) square meters more or less.”**

“Transfer Certificate of Title
No. 095-2015001766

“A parcel of land (Lot 26, Block 11 of the cons-subd. plan, PCS-06-005084. Being a portion of the cons. of Lots 860-B-1 to 860-B-11 and Lot 860-B-13, Psd-043957), including all the buildings and improvements now existing thereon or which may be constructed or introduced thereon by the owner, situated in the Brgy. of San Jose, Dist. of Arevalo, City of Iloilo, Province of Iloilo, Island of Panay. Bounded on the NE., along line 1-2 by Lot 28, Block 11; on the SE., along lines 2-3 by road Lot 4; on the SW., along line 3-4 by Lot 24, Block 11; and on the NW., along line 4-1 by Lot 25, Block 11, all of the cons-subd. plan. Xxxx Containing an area of **TWO HUNDRED (200) square meters, more or less.”**

“Transfer Certificate of Title
No. 095-2015001767

“A parcel of land (Lot 25, Block 11 of the cons-subd. plan, PCS-06-005084. Being a portion of the cons. of Lots 860-B-1 to 860-B-11 and Lot 860-B-13, Psd-043957), including all the buildings and improvements now existing thereon or which may be constructed or introduced thereon by the owner, situated in the Brgy. of San Jose, Dist. of Arevalo, City of Iloilo, Province of Iloilo, Island of Panay. Bounded on the SE., along line 1-2 by Lot 26, Block 11; on the SW., along line 2-3 by road Lot 23, Block 11, both of Block 11; on the NW., along line 3-4 by road Lot 11; and on the NE., along line 4-1 by Lot 27, Block 11; all of the cons-subd. plan. Xxxx containing an area of **TWO HUNDRED (200) square meters, more or less.”**

All SEALED bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the abovementioned date and time.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it will be held instead on **JULY 02, 2025**, at the same time and venue without further notice and re-publication.

Iloilo City, Philippines, April 25, 2025.

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

Prepared by:

RAMIL G. FACURIB
Authorized Deputy Sheriff

NE/May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025



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AUCTION SALE

This is to inform the public that we will be conducting an AUCTION SALE on **JUNE 19, 2025** at 9:00 a.m. for all overdue pledges pawned on **JANUARY 2025** and prior dates in the following branches. Patrons are enjoined to verify their receipts.

• MAPA: C.K. Bldg. Mapa St., Brgy. Ortiz Iloilo City
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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

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NE/June 9, 16 & 23, 2025

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
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FORECLOSURE FILE
NO. F-11276-25

BDO UNIBANK, INC.,
Mortgagee,

-versus-

SPOUSES JUANITO B. CHAN & ALOHA G. CHAN
& JBC CALTEX SERVICE STATION, INC.,
Debtors/Mortgagors.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon verified petition for extra-judicial foreclosure of mortgage [under Act 3135 As Amended], filed by **BDO UNIBANK, INC.**, a corporation existing under the Philippine laws, with principal address at BDO Towers Valero, 8741 Paseo de Roxas, Makati City 1226, Metro Manila, against (1) **Spouses JUANITO B. CHAN & ALOHA G. CHAN**, Filipinos, married to each other, with last known address at 22-E Soriano Subdivision, Molo, Iloilo City, and (2) **JBC CALTEX SERVICE STATION, INC.**, a domestic corporation with principal address/es at Brgy. Botongan, Estancia, Iloilo, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **January 17, 2025**, has amounted to **FOUR MILLION TWELVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX & 50/100 PESOS** (Php **4,012,166.50**), the undersigned Ex Officio Sheriff of Iloilo and/or **ANY** of his duly authorized deputy sheriff will sell at public auction on **14 JULY 2025** at **10:00 AM** at the Office of the Clerk of Court and Ex Officio Sheriff, Regional Trial Court, CJRQA Hall of Justice, Iloilo City, to the highest bidder, for cash or manager’s check and in Philippine Currency, the mortgaged property covered by **Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-50997**, including all the improvements thereon, bounded and described as follows:

*“A parcel of land (Lot 27, Block 1 of the consolidation-subdivision plan (LRC) PCS-19502, being a portion of the consolidation of Lots 2261-B, Psd-10107, 2269-B-1, Psd-22763, 2269-B-5, Psd-22763, 2275 & 2297, Jaro Cadastre, LRC. Cad. Record No. 8), situated in the District of Jaro, City of Iloilo, Island of Panay. Bounded on the NE., points 2 to 3 by Lot 26; on the SE., points 3 to 4 by Lot 15; on the SW., points 4 to 1 by Lot 2__, all of Block 1; and on the NW., points 1 to 2 by Road Lot 5, all of the consolidation-subdivision plan. Xxxx containing an area of **THREE HUNDRED FIFTY SEVEN (357) SQUARE METERS, more or less.** Xxxx”*

All SEALED bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the abovementioned date and time.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it will be held instead on **05 AUGUST 2025** at the same time and venue without further notice and re-publication.

Iloilo City, Philippines, 13 May 2025.

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

Prepared by:

(SGD.) **RAMIL G. FACURIB**
Authorized Deputy Sheriff

NE/June 2, 9 & 16, 2025



DEED OF SELF-ADJUDICATION WITH SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **ROQUE CALUYO CAJILIG** known as a parcel of land **Lot No. 130** of the Cadastral Survey of Leon, Cadastral Psc No. 4 L.R.C. Cadastral Record No. N. 268, situated in Poblacion, Leon, Iloilo covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-43434** with an area of **Two Hundred Ninety Two (292) square meters, more or less** is adjudicated to sole heir **ELENA C. MEMORIAL**. That, **ELENA C. MEMORIAL** sold, transferred and conveyed by way of sale the abovesaid parcel of land unto **NERIO C. MEMORIAL**, married to **MA. MARIBEL CAINGLET** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. LESLIE F. AM** per Doc. No. 93, Page No. 20, Book No. I, Series of 2024.

NE/June 9, 16 & 23, 2025

EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH WAIVER OR RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **MINA BASAL YAP** consisting of shares in the parcels of land known as **Lot No. 32 Block 13** located at Brgy. Buhang, Jaro, Iloilo City covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2011000556** with an area of **THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY SIX (386) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS**; **Lot No. 14, Block 7** located at Brgy. Balabago and Brgy. Balantang, Jaro, Iloilo City covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2012001605** with an area of **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS**; and **Lot No. 15, Block 7** covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2012001491** with an area of **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS** located at Brgy. Balabago and Brgy. Balantang, Jaro, Iloilo, City are adjudicated to heirs **ETHEL YAP ROQUE, CARMINA YAP MONTEFRIO** and **ANN TONNETTE YAP DE GUZMAN**. Whereas, **ETHEL YAP ROQUE** and **ANN TONNETTE YAP DE GUZMAN** waived, adjudicated and conveyed all their rights and interests over **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2012001605** to their co-heir **CARMINA YAP MONTEFRIO**; **ETHEL YAP ROQUE** and **CARMINA YAP MONTEFRIO** waived, adjudicated and conveyed all their rights and interests over **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2012001491** to their co-heir **ANN TONNETTE YAP DE GUZMAN**; and **CARMINA YAP MONTEFRIO** and **ANN TONNETTE YAP DE GUZMAN** waived, adjudicated and conveyed all their rights and interests over **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 095-2011000556** to their co-heir **ETHEL YAP ROQUE**. Entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. MA. THERESA MALONES-SANCHEZ** per Doc. No. 365, Page No. 74, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

NE/June 9, 16 & 23, 2025

Over 1.2K ARBs in Iloilo debt-free after loan condonation

ILOILO CITY – A total of 1,286 agrarian reform beneficiaries (ARBs) from Iloilo were awarded their Certificates of Condonation with Release of Mortgage (CoCRoMs), writing off in the process PHP91.5 million worth of debt from the amortizations of lands under the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP).

A total of 2,064 CoCRoMs covering 1,378.2523 hectares of agricultural lands in the towns of Anilao, Banate, Barotac Nuevo, Dumangas, Duenas, San Miguel, Leon, and Alimodian were released during a series of distributions on April 23-25 and 28.

In an interview on Tuesday, Provincial Agrarian Reform Program Officer (PARPO) Harriet Loot said the batch composed the last group of the classified list of recipients or those with individual titles.

“They were thankful because they no longer had to worry about their amortization with LandBank. They only have to think of their real property tax,” she said.

Loot said they still have remaining ARBs considered unclassified, or those still holding a collective Certificate of Land Ownership Award, who are yet to receive their CoCRoMs.

The debt relief is mandated under Republic Act No. 11953 or the New Agrarian Emancipation Act, signed by President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on July

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File No. F2025-154

IN RE: PETITION FOR EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED,

FIRST IMPERIAL BUSINESS BANK, INC.,
Represented by its General Manager,
MARGARET B. BARCE
Petitioner,

SHERIFF’S NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL AUCTION SALE

Upon petition for extra-judicial foreclosure sale under *Act 3135, as amended*, filed by **FIRST IMPERIAL BUSINESS BANK, INC.**, represented by its General Manager, **MARGARET B. BARCE**, with office at BCB Bldg, Simon Ledesma St., Jaro, Iloilo City, against *mortgagors* **Spouses Nena P. Magno and Miguel Magno Jr., and Jovenel P. Magno**, of legal age, Filipinos, and residents of Guinbanga-an, Laua-an, Antique, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness, which is as of **21 April 2025** amounts to Phil: Pesos: **Two Million One Hundred Ninety One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Nine and 07/100 (Php2,191,289.07)**, plus sheriff fees and other fees relative to foreclosure proceedings, the undersigned sheriff will sell at public auction on **16 June 2025**, at 10:00 o’clock in the morning, or soon thereafter, at the Office of the Sheriff, RTC, Branch 64, Zaldivar Hall of Justice, Binirayan Hills, San Jose, Antique, to the highest bidder for cash or manager’s check and in Philippine currency, the following property with all its improvements thereon, to wit:

Original Certificate of Title No. 2019000216

“A parcel of land (Lot. No. 8957-194, CSD.06.016274, Cad. 634-D, with the improvements standing thereon, located in Guinbanga-an, Laua-an, Antique, Panay Island. Bounded on the NW. along lines 1-2-3 by Lust 8957-195; on the NE., along line 3-4-5, by Lot 8957-198 (Road); on the SE, along line 5-6, by Road; on the SW., along line 6-7, by Lot 1957-92 and on the SW., NW., along lines 7-8-1 by Lot 8957- 193...containing an area of **Three Hundred Fifty Eight (358) square meters, more or less.**”

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **23 June 2025** at the same time and place abovementioned without further notice.

San Jose for Bugasong, Antique, 20 May 2025.

EMILIO FELIPE Y. LEGASPI II
OIC, Clerk of Court-VI & Ex-Officio Sheriff

(SGD.) **RAMIL P. MARTINEZ**
Sheriff IV

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NE/May 26, June 2 & 9, 2025

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7, 2023.

The law aims to liberate ARBs from the burden of unpaid amortizations and empower them to become more productive contributors to national food security.

In a press statement, DAR Secretary Conrado Estrella III said the administration of President Marcos is expecting nothing from the ARBs but for them to harness their respective farm lots for greater productivity.

“Condoning their debts from long overdue amortizations is nothing compared to their contributions to our food self-sufficiency program,” Estrella said. (PNA)

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
CITY OF ILOILO
CITY CIVIL REGISTRY OFFICE

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012, a notice is hereby served to the public that **LENDLE JOSEPH M. JUYO** has filed with this office a petition for correction of entry of date of birth from “**6 24 197**” to “**JUNE 23, 1975**” in the Certificate of Live Birth of **LENDLE JOSEPH MATA JUYO** who was born at **Davao City** and whose parents are **GAUDENCIO JUYO** and **LLEVELYN MATA**.

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

(SGD.) CHERIE J. AMPIG

City Civil Registrar

NE/June 2, 2025 & June 9, 2025

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Municipality of Janiuay

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR
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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that **SANDY M. ERMITAÑO** has filed with this office, a petition for correction of entry in the child’s SEX from “**FEMALE**” to “**MALE**” in the certificate of live birth of **SANDY M. ERMETAÑO** at Janiuay, Iloilo and whose parents are **BONIFACIO ERMETAÑO** and **JUSTINA MANEJERO**.

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

(SGD.) ANA LISA M. CORNELIO

Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/June 2, 2025 & June 9, 2025

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Municipality of Janiuay

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with **R.A. 9048**, a notice is hereby served to the public that **FRANCIS JULIUS PEDREGOSA FAMA** has filed with this office a Petition for **Change of First Name** from “**FRANCIS JULI**” to “**FRANCIS JULIUS**” in the Birth Certificate of **FRANCIS JULI PEDREGOSA FAMA** who was born on **May 24, 1972** at Janiuay, Iloilo and whose parents are **Felipe Talamera Fama** and **Felisa Afinidad Pedregosa**.

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

(SGD.) ANA LISA M. CORNELIO

Municipal Civil Registrar

NE/June 2, 2025 & June 9, 2025

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Province of Iloilo
Municipality of Dingle

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR
NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), Notice is hereby served to the public that **JULIE BABAGONIO DIORDA** has filed with this Office a petition for correction of entry in Sex from “**FEMALE**” to “**MALE**” in the Certificate of Live Birth of **JULIE BABAGONIO DIORDA** at **BANGA, SOUTH COTABATO** and whose parents are **PACIANO DIORDA** and **LINDA BABAGONIO**.

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

(SGD.) CHERYL MAY D. PARDILLA

Municipal Civil Registrar I
Dingle, Iloilo

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **JOSE P. DALES**, married to the late **IGNACIA A. DALES** known as a parcel of land covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-38448** located in Brgy. Almeñana, Lemery, Iloilo with an area of **TEN THOUSAND AND TWO SQUARE METERS (10,002) more or less** is adjudicated to surviving heirs with their corresponding shares, to wit: **IRMINA DALES ALIMODIAN – 2,000 square meters; DOROTHEA DALES BULACLAC – 2000 square meters; CECILIA DALES BERUG – 2,000 square meters; SUZETTE A. DALES – 2,000 square meters; Heirs of REUEL A. DALES, namely, BELLA SALVARINO DALES, JESSE REY EARL S. DALES, and JOSH REUBEL ACE S. DALES – 2,002 square meters**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. NIEVAA. G ORANTES** per Doc. No. 332, Page No. 68, Book No. I, Series of 2025.

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ADJUDICATION WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **MANUEL O. POBLADOR** known as (**Lot No. 1-D** of the Subdivision Plan PSD-73138, being a portion of Lot 1 described on Plan PSU-78711-amended, L.R.C. record No.), situated in Poblacion, Balasan, Iloilo covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 090-2022021582** with an area of **FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY SEVEN (477) SQUARE METERS** is adjudicated to surviving heirs **MARILOU O. POBLADOR AMANTILLO, MARION O. POBLADOR, MAYBELLE O. POBLADOR, JOYREMA OMENA POBLADOR, ALPHONSE O. POBLADOR, and JOP O. POBLADOR**. That, the heirs conveyed by way of Absolute Sale the above-said property in favor of **RENAL SPECIALTY INC.** herein represented by its President **LEO M. MALUNES, MD** as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. JUDE VINCENT D. FONTILON** per Doc. No. 57, Page No. 13, Book No. X, Series of 2025.

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EXTRA-JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **NORALYN A. PATUBO** known as bank deposits with **Metrobank** under **Savings Account No. 012-3-01278116-5** and **Fun Saver’s Account No. 012-3-92132433-3** are adjudicated to legitimate heirs **NATHANIA ELISHA PATUBO, MILDRED A. PATUBO** and **BERNARDO P. PATUBO**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. GEORGE H. GREGORI** per Doc. No. 245, Page No. 50, Book No. XL, Series of 2025.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with **R.A. 9048**, a notice is hereby served to the public that **CLARITA A. RABANG** has filed with this office a Petition for **Change of First Name** from “**MARIA**” to “**CLARITA**” in the Birth Certificate of **MARIA GUMBAN APISTAR** who was born on **May 5, 1960** at Janiuay, Iloilo and whose parents are **Vidal Canto Apistar** and **Felisa Jamolin Gomban**.

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

(SGD.) ANA LISA M. CORNELIO

Municipal Civil Registrar

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1, Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172), notice is hereby served to the public that **GINA S. SOBERANO** has filed with this Office, a petition for correction of entry in the **date of birth** from “**JULY 22, 1965**” to “**APRIL 12, 1965**” in the certificate of live birth of **GINA SORTIDO SOMODIO** and whose parents are **SANTOS SIRILAN SOMODIO** and **ROSARIO SEÑOLAY SORTIDO**.

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

(SGD.) SUSAN U. SIMPAO

Municipal Civil Registrar
REG. OFFICER III/OIC-MCRO

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applicable laws; facilitate inter-agency coordination to streamline efforts in infrastructure development and flood mitigation and conduct regular inspections and meetings to assess progress; address concerns; and propose adaptive solutions.

The task force is chaired by Treñas with Engr. Mavi Gustilo, head of the Office of the Building Official, as the vice chairperson.

Its members include the City Architect’s Office,

General Services Office, City Engineer’s Office, and representatives from the Iloilo City District Engineer’s Office and the regional office of the Department of Public Works and Highways.


Last week, the task force, ahead of its formal creation, started a walkthrough of areas affected by flooding to determine the cause of concern during heavy rains.

Treñas also called on barangays to help clean and unclog the drainage system. (PNA)

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF SPS. BUENAVENTURA J. FERNANDEZ DE LEON and LOLITA A. FERNANDEZ DE LEON

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **Sps. BUENAVENTURA J. FERNANDEZ DE LEON and LOLITA A. FERNANDEZ DE LEON** (a.k.a. Ben J. F. de Leon, Buenaventura J. F. de Leon, Buenaventura F. de Leon and Lolita Juanita G. Avila, Lolita J. G. Avila, respectively), known as the following parcels of land: **1) Lot No. 1881, Pls-723-D**, covered by **ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. F-3377**, situated in the Province of Guimaras with an area of **ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE (1,283) square meters, more or less; 2) Lot 1069-B-6** of the subdivision plan, Psd-48495 being a portion of Lot 1069-B described on plan Psd-32915, G.L.R.O. Record No., situated in District Jaro, Iloilo City covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-19271** with an area of **EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY TWO (872) square meters, more or less; and 3) Lot 1069-B-7** of the subdivision plan Psd-48495, being a portion of Lot 1069-B described on plan Psd-32915, G.L.R.O. Record No., situated in District of Jaro, Iloilo City covered by **TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-115191** with an area of **SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHT (708) square meters, more or less** are adjudicated to surviving compulsory heirs **LEILA DOROTHY F. VARON, IRMA MAY A. FERNANDEZ DE LEON, BEN HOWARD A. FERNANDEZ DE LEON and LEONARDO FELIX A. FERNANDEZ DE LEON**, as entered in the notarial registry of **ATTY. REAN S. SY** per Doc. No. 200, Page No. 41, Book No. 1, series of 2023.

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