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5TH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 16, S-2021

"AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE 'YOUTH IN AGRICULTURE' PROGRAM OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN OF BAYBAY CITY AND FOR SUCH OTHER PURPOSES"

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WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution under Section 13, Article II, the State shall recognize the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being and shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 8044, otherwise known as the "Youth in Nation-Building Act" was enacted to give recognition to the youth's responsibility to fulfill their integral role in nation-building;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Unit shall establish adequate, effective, and enabling mechanism and support systems that will ensure meaningful participation of the youth in Local Governance and nation-building;

WHEREAS, Section 20 of Republic Act No. 10742 provides that ten percent (10%) of the general fund of the barangay shall be set aside for the Sangguniang Kabataan which shall be disbursed by the SK solely for youth development and empowerment purposes;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 10611, otherwise known as Food Safety Act of 2013 promulgates to strengthen the food safety regulatory system in the country to protect consumer health and facilitate market access of local foods and food products;

WHEREAS, the urban agriculture program under Republic Act No. 11494 or the "Bayanihan to Recover as One Act" (Bayanihan II) was enacted to promote a just and dynamic social order that will ensure the prosperity and independence of the nation and free the people from poverty particularly in the aftermath of natural and man-made disasters, that includes productivity enhancement projects including the Urban Agriculture (UA) Program that aims to establish a resilient food system, specifically during the COVID-19 crisis through urban farming that would ensure the food accessibility and availability by growing food in areas close to urban area dwellers, promotion of urban farming and innovative agricultural practices and promotion of healthy consumption of vegetables;

WHEREAS, to ensure maximum participation among the members of the Sangguniang Kabataan and the youth sector in the barangay in advocating inclusive growth and development on food security, food supply, and active citizenship, there is a need for the Sangguniang Panlungsod to enact an ordinance that will ensure the promotion of general welfare of its youth and their promotion through institutionalizing the Youth in Agriculture Program as one of its flagship programs in the Barangay and for such other purposes;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Honorable Mark Michael O. Unlu-cay, and duly seconded by the majority of the council members present,

BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE 5TH Sangguniang Panlungsod, that on May 6, 2021, during its 18th Regular Session at the Session Hall, Legislative Building this city, an ordinance is hereby adopted, to wit:

SECTION 1. TITLE- This Ordinance shall be known as "An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Youth In Agriculture Program of the Sangguniang Kabataan and for such other purposes".

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY— It is hereby declared to be the policy of the City to promote and protect the physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being of Filipino youth, inculcating in them patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public affairs.

The City of Baybay recognizes the vital role of the youth in engaging to sustainable agriculture-related programs by giving them the most appropriate, cost-efficient and realistic mechanisms in vegetable and crop production, and other necessary agricultural knowledge transfer interventions that will capacitate and hone them to become the younger generation of farmers.

SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS OF TERMS – For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms are hereby defined:

- (a) **Youth** shall refer to those persons whose ages ranges from fifteen (15) to thirty (30) years old as defined in Republic Act No. 8044;
- (b) **Youth Organizations** shall refer to those organizations whose membership / composition are the youths;
- (c) **Youth-Serving Organizations** shall refer to those registered organizations whose principal programs, projects and activities are youth-oriented and youth-related.
- (d) **Urban Agriculture** refers to food production that occurs in urban areas. Such production takes place in backyards, rooftops, in community vegetable and fruit gardens or on unused or public spaces. It includes commercial operations that produce food in greenhouses and on open spaces.

SECTION 4. INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE YOUTH IN AGRICULTURE PROGRAM OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN – The implementation and adoption of the Youth In Agriculture Program in the annual 10% SK Funds in the Barangay is hereby institutionalized as a basic program of the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) as part of its youth development programs in every calendar year and shall be adopted in the Annual Barangay Youth Investment Program (ABYIP) and the Comprehensive Barangay Youth Development Plan (CBYDP).

SECTION 5. THE SALIENT FEATURES OF THE YOUTH IN AGRICULTURE PROGRAM – To ensure appropriate implementation of the Youth in Agriculture Program, the Sangguniang Kabataan are enjoined to observe and adopt the salient features of this program, as follows:

- a.) *Introduction to Urban Agriculture*
- b.) *Sustainable Measures to Food Safety and Security*
- c.) *Vegetable Production as an Enterprise and Basic Farm Financial Management*
- d.) *Seed to Seedling Management*
- e.) *Urban Agriculture Vegetable Production Strategies*
- f.) *Natural Farming System Strategies*
- g.) *Youth Values Formation*
- h.) *Youth Leadership*
- i.) *Special Topics on Horticultural Practices*
- j.) *Pest & Disease Identification and Management*
- k.) *Harvesting and Marketing of Produce*
- l.) *Special Training of Trainer's for Youth in Agriculture Technicians*

SECTION 6. IMPLEMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENT FRIENDLY PRACTICES – The Sangguniang Kabataan and the youth members are hereby enjoined to also do their share in environmental protection and conservation by means of maximizing available resources through recycling plastic bottles and reusable containers as one of the materials that may be used in their backyard and urban gardening.

SECTION 7. THE ROLE OF THE CITY AGRICULTURE OFFICE – It is the role of the City Agriculture Office to extend technical assistance to the Sangguniang Kabataan Federation and its members on the implementation of this Youth in Agriculture Program.

SECTION 8. FUNDING – The funding of this Program shall be taken from the 10% SK Funds in the Barangay but the appropriated amount shall not be less than P15,000.00 a year for the implementation of this Youth in Agriculture Program. The aforementioned amount shall be utilized in the procurement of garden tools, fertilizers, seeds, and other necessary materials, subject to accounting laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 9. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION USING MULTI-MEDIA PLATFORMS – To ensure maximum audience reach among the youth sector in the grassroots level, multi-media platforms such as newspaper, radio, television broadcast, social media networking sites, and other forms of communication channels should be utilized to establish inspiration to more young people in the community and to create an enabling avenue that will serve as a credible source of information.

SECTION 10. PARTNERSHIP TO OTHER STAKEHOLDERS, GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS – Partnerships and collaborations to interested stakeholders, and to other government and non-government organizations may also be done as part of the interventions to strengthen and ensure the effectivity of the program.

SECTION 11. AWARDS, RECOGNITION AND INCENTIVES – To boost the confidence and participation of the youth members in the barangay, awards and recognition activities may be conducted by the Sangguniang Kabataan Federation and the City Youth Development Office (CYDO), subject to availability of funds. The guidelines on the said award and recognition will be set by the members of the Sangguniang Kabataan Federation.

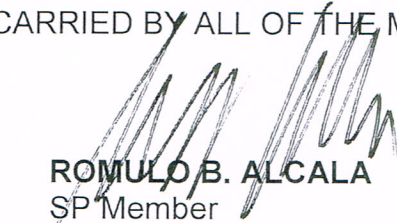
SECTION 12. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE – if any provision of this ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the other provisions hereof.

SECTION 13. REPEALING CLAUSE – pertinent provisions of all other laws, ordinances, executive orders and rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.


SECTION 14. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE – this ordinance shall take effect 15 days upon its approval and after due compliance with all the requirements provided under R.A. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

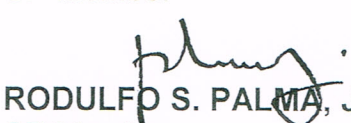
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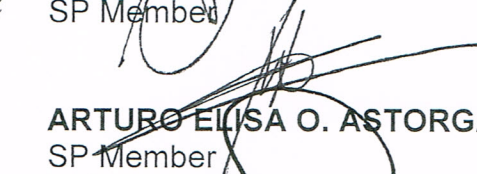
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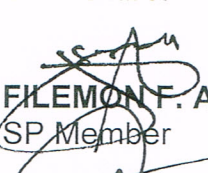

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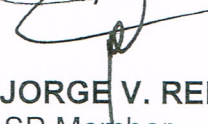

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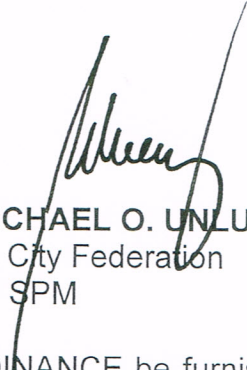

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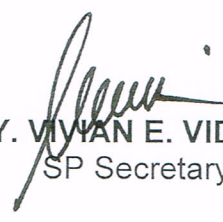
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RESOLVED FURTHER, that certified copies of this ORDINANCE be furnished to the City Mayor Honorable Jose Carlos L. Cari, City Administrator Deogracias E. Pernitez; City Legal Officer, Atty. Avito C. Cahig, Jr.; City Budget Officer, Raul Mabini; City Accountant Jay Ryan Austero; OIC - City Treasurer Gina Cabras, CLGOO Juvy C. Pedrera, and to all other offices/agencies/entities concerned for their information, guidance and appropriate action.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance.



ATTY. VIVIAN E. VIDALLON
SP Secretary

Attested & Certified True & Correct:



ATTY. ERNESTO M. BUTAWAN
City Vice Mayor, Presiding Officer

Approved by His Honor:



ENGR. JOSE CARLOS L. CARI
City Mayor

Date Approved: 5/21/21