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**BPSF IN DAVNOR**



*'We Made History!'*

## DavNor hosts biggest BPSF; Over 250,000 Beneficiaries get P913M Aid, Services

By Jan Fhore Andrey L. Cagalitan



OVER 250,000 individuals from Davao del Norte benefitted from over P913 million worth of government services, as well as cash, education, and livelihood assistance, in the largest ever Bagong Pilipinas Serbisyo Fair (BPSF) to date of the Marcos administration held in Tagum City, Davao del Norte last June 6-8, 2024.

Reports from the National Secretariat (comprises the Office of the President, the Office of the House Speaker, the Presidential Communications Office, and the House of Representatives) revealed that the BPSF Davao del Norte hauled a total of PHP 913,296,524.69-worth of 235 government programs, services, and direct assistance from 67 participating national line agencies, from which PHP 483 million was allocated for cash aid via two Department of Social Worker and Development (DSWD) programs: Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situations (AICS) and Ayuda sa Kapos sa Kita Program (AKAP).

On June 6 (Thursday), President Ferdinand "Bongbong" R. Marcos himself led the ceremonial turnover of PHP 60 million worth of financial assistance under the Presidential Assistance to Farmers, Fisherfolk, and Families (PAFFF) program to help Filipinos affected by the El Niño phenomenon in Davao Region. First Lady Louise Araneta-Marcos also graced the payout for the Department of Labor and Employment's Tulong Panghanapbuhay sa Ating Disadvantaged/Displaced Workers

(TUPAD) program held on the same day at the DavNor Coliseum. Over PHP 23 million worth of financial assistance was released to around 5,000 beneficiaries.

On June 7 (Friday), led by House Speaker Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez alongside local government officials and the 167 Members of the House of Representatives, the two-day caravan of services saw the participation of 62 national agencies, offering a total of 235 programs and services for constituents from the province of Davao del Norte. Representatives from participating government agencies set up booths offering assistance in health, education, social welfare, and livelihood. This comprehensive strategy aimed to meet the varied needs of the constituents in a single, easily accessible area.

Speaker Romualdez expressed gratitude to the local hosts and government officials (specifically to Acting Governor De Carlo "Oyo" L. Uy, 2nd District Representative Alan "Aldu" R. Dujali, and Tagum City Mayor Rey T. Uy as the lead convenors of the fair) who made the caravan of services a resounding success. House Deputy Secretary General Sofonias Gabonada Jr., who is a part of the BPSF National Secretariat, said the enormous number of recipients only indicates that the Marcos administration, with the continuous support of the lower house, has been "doing everything to provide support

for Filipinos."

Acting Governor Uy heralded the caravan of services as a testament to ongoing enhanced service delivery under the Bagong Pilipinas initiative. A "Pagkakaisa Concert" was held in the evening at the Davao del Norte Sports and Tourism Complex (DNSTC) showcasing renowned celebrity performers and artists such as Daniel Padilla and Darren Espanto, along with Gigi Vibes (Gigi del Lana and the Band), Kamikazee, and The Dukes Band. Brand-new motorcycles were taken home by four (4) lucky concert-goers via a raffle draw.

On the second day of the caravan of services, June 8, 2024 (Saturday), the influx of participants continued which has attracted a record high of over 250,000 BPSF portal registrants beating the rate of pre-registration among the previous sites of BPSF. Apart from the services and cash assistance, some 300,000 kilograms of rice were also distributed to beneficiaries.

Acting Governor Uy affirmed his unwavering support for the administration of President Ferdinand Marcos Jr., ensuring the province's stability and the welfare of its citizens. The success of BPSF Davao del Norte underscores the importance of people-centered projects in developing public trust and involvement with government services, establishing an excellent precedent for future endeavors across the country.

# SP approves significant ordinances of Acting Vice-Governor Popop Catalan for Solo Parents and 4Ps Beneficiaries

By: Maria Riza M. Ocampo

In a significant move aimed at enhancing social welfare within the Province of Davao del Norte, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, during its 23rd Regular Session on June 3 2024 presided over by Acting Vice-Governor Flopone Royle "Popop" Catalan, approved two significant legislations Hon. Catalan himself authored marking a milestone in local governance.

The Comprehensive Solo Parent Welfare Ordinance (P.O. No. 2024-010) stands out as a beacon of support for solo parents across the province. Anchored on Republic Act No. 11861 or the "Expanded Solo Parents Welfare Act", the ordinance ensures that solo parents receive comprehensive assistance, ranging from financial aid to access to health and educational services. The said ordinance recognizes the challenges faced by solo parents in balancing work, child-rearing, and



household responsibilities, and seeks to alleviate their burdens and foster a supportive environment conducive to their well-being.

And, the 4Ps Cash Grant Protection Ordinance (P.O. No. 2024-009) provides crucial safeguards for beneficiaries of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) against loan sharks by establishing stringent guidelines and mechanisms and penalize those individuals and establishments who grant loans. The said ordinance ensures that the financial assistance reaches those who need it most, thereby promoting stability and resilience among vulnerable households.

AVG "Popop" Catalan expressed profound gratitude to the SP Members for their overwhelming support and commitment to these initiatives. "These ordinances represent our unwavering dedication to uplifting the lives of solo parents and vulnerable families in Davao del Norte," Catalan remarked during the ordinance's passage.

As the Province of Davao del Norte continues its journey towards progress, the approval of these ordinances serves as a testament to the province's commitment to fostering a more equitable and supportive society for all.



Mrs. Margarita Magsanoc-Aala, for whom Villa Margarita and (partly) Davao Magsanoc were named, was sworn in by Judge Valerio P. Reyes, Sr., as the lone woman councillor in the Municipality of Tagum, 1952  
Photo Credit: Ritz Castillo



Photo taken during the first year anniversary celebration of the province of Davao del Norte held at the provincial auditorium. In the photo are attendees of the celebration and Doña Margarita Magsanoc-Aala with daughter-in-law Shirley Belen Aala and son Crisanto Aala.



Doña Margarita Magsanoc-Aala is the only daughter of Donato Magsanoc, a pioneer who founded the Municipality of Tagum in 1952. She was sworn in as the lone woman councillor in the Municipality of Tagum in 1952. She was the first woman councillor in the Municipality of Tagum. She was the first woman councillor in the Municipality of Tagum. She was the first woman councillor in the Municipality of Tagum.



# Margarita Magsanoc-Aala Sports & Tourism Complex: "A Legacy of Service and Dedication"

By: Carlo Labella-Manubag & Felix U. Sayon, Jr.

The Davao del Norte Provincial Sports and Tourism Complex, a beloved hub for recreation and community events is about to take its new name on a proposed provincial ordinance authored by Board Member Shirley Belen R. Aala, Chairperson of the Committee on Education and Culture. Hon. Aala passed the proposed ordinance, which was referred to the Committee on Davao del Norte Historical and Cultural Affairs during the 23rd Regular Session last June 03, 2024, renaming the said facility to **Margarita Magsanoc- Aala Sports and Tourism Complex** of Davao del Norte in honor of her philanthropic deed of donating the 20 hectares of the Provincial Government land. It reflects the enduring legacy of a remarkable woman. This renaming initiative honors the late Doña Margarita Magsanoc-Aala, whose dedication to the province and its people is deeply intertwined with the very land on which the complex and the provincial and national government offices stand.

Doña Margarita Magsanoc-Aala was a pillar of the community, known for her tireless efforts in community development and social work. Her commitment to improving the lives of others was unwavering, and her legacy continues to inspire generations. This selfless act was even bequeathed to her descent, **Board Member Shirley Belen R. Aala, (daughter-in-law) together with her grandsons former Board Member/ Ex Officio PCL Tristan Royce R. Aala and Tagum City Councilor Rex Jasper R. Aala**, all known for their no non-sense approach in public service. One of Dona Margarita's most significant contributions was the generous donation of a 20-hectare piece of land, which became the foundation for current provincial government complex and other national government offices. This noble act of generosity laid the groundwork for a thriving government

center, and it is a testament to her vision for a brighter future for the entire province of Davao del Norte.

A planned renaming ceremony is being contemplated whenever said ordinance passed and approved by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, which was a poignant celebration of Doña Margarita's life and work. Attendees on the list includes the provincial officials, family members, and community leaders, all gathered to pay tribute to her altruistic contribution. Highlighting the said event will be the speeches to her unwavering dedication to service, her tireless advocacy for the underprivileged, and her unwavering belief in the potential of the province. The future ceremony will be concluded with the unveiling of the plaque bearing the new name of the complex, a permanent reminder of Doña Margarita Magsanoc-Aala's lasting impact.

The soon-to-be Margarita Magsanoc-Aala Sports and Tourism Complex will continue to serve as a vibrant hub for recreation, community gatherings, and events and future Provincial and National sports activities. The renaming not only honors Doña Margarita Magsanoc-Aala's legacy but also reinforces the complex's connection to the community and its commitment to fostering a healthy and active lifestyle. As the complex hosts future events and welcome visitors, it will serve as a constant reminder of the woman whose generosity and vision helped to shape the province landscape.

Doña Margarita Magsanoc-Aala's life was a testament to the power of sincere public service and the importance of giving back to the community. Her legacy will continue to inspire generations to come, and the **Margarita Magsanoc-Aala Sports and Tourism Complex** stands as a fitting tribute to her enduring impact to the province of Davao del Norte.



## President Marcos, First Lady Araneta-Marcos, House Speaker Romualdez, 167 House Members and Local Officials launch LEG-19 of Bagong Pilipinas Serbisyo Fair (BPSF) in DavNor

By: Jane Ivy C. Magalona

For the first time in its recorded history, the Province of Davao del Norte welcomed more than a hundred national dignitaries for an event spearheaded by no less than the President of the Republic of the Philippines, His Excellency, President Ferdinand “Bongbong” R. Marcos, Jr. As a prelude to the highly-anticipated caravan of services slated on June 07-08, 2024, President Marcos personally bestowed the Presidential Assistance to Farmers, Fisherfolks and Families (PAFFF) on June 06, 2024 at the Davao del Norte Sports and Tourism Complex (DNSTC) in Tagum City which aided more than ten thousand (10,000) beneficiaries. Meanwhile, in the Second Legislative District of the Province, the “LAB FOR ALL” Medical Mission initiative of First Lady Marie Louise “Liza” Araneta Marcos took off in Carmen with the Presidential spouse herself, in attendance.

One hundred sixty-seven (167) House Members, including House Speaker Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, graced the occasion of the 19th leg of the Bagong Pilipinas Serbisyo Fair (BPSF) hosted by the Provincial Government of Davao del Norte headed by Acting Governor De Carlo “Oyo” L. Uy, MBA and Acting Vice Governor Flopone Royle Catalan, in partnership with the City Government of Tagum under the leadership of Mayor Rey “Chiong” T. Uy and the Office of Davao del Norte 2nd District Representative, Hon. Alan “Aldu” R. Dujali.

Dubbed as the “grandest” BPSF to date, the Province witnessed a total of two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) Dabaonon beneficiaries with over Nine Hundred Thirteen Million Two Hundred Ninety Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Four Pesos and Sixty Nine Centavos (Php913,296,524.69) worth of government services/programs as well as cash, education and livelihood

assistance, from sixty-two (62) agencies through the two hundred thirty-five (235) programs/services offered.

The Services provided were divided into seven (7) sectors, namely: (1) Health Services (LAB FOR ALL: Laboratory and Diagnostics Services, Health Promotion Program, Nutrition Program, etc.); (2) Social Services (Payout of Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situations (AICS), Relief Assistance through Family Food Packs, etc.); (3) Livelihood Services (Business Name Registration, Entrepreneurship Seminar, Trade Fair, etc.); (4) Agricultural Services (Distribution of Planting Materials, Seedlings distribution, Rice Competitiveness Enhancement Fund (RCEF)- Mechanization Component Program, provision of technical assistance and advisory services, etc.); (5) Regulatory Services (passport on wheels, issuance of birth certificates, issuance of student permit, etc.); (6) Education Services (Scholarship application, educational assistance, Short Courses Training, etc.) and (7) Other Government Services (PAGIBIG Membership Registration and Loyalty Card Plus Issuance, Issuance of Social Security Number, etc.).

As an offshoot to the main event, House Speaker Romualdez, Acting Governor Uy, Representative Dujali and Mayor Uy altogether launched the Cash and Rice Distribution (CARD) Program at the Tagum City Hall Atrium wherein three thousand (3000) beneficiaries from various sectors such as the Senior Citizens, Solo Parents, Indigenous Peoples (IPs) and Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) received assistance. Further, Speaker Romualdez and the mentioned local officials were also at the helm for the distribution of assistance to another set of beneficiaries totalling three thousand (3000) Start-Up, Investment, Business Opportunity, and Livelihood (SIBOL) Program recipients.



# APPROVED RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES CY 2022-2025

HON. DE CARLO L. UY, MBA - The Regular Presiding Officer

MAY 06, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 386

APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2024-258 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, THIS PROVINCE, "AN ORDINANCE DECLARING 'KAARAYDAN FESTIVAL' AS THE OFFICIAL BANNER FESTIVAL OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, DAVAO DEL NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

SPONSORS: Suaybaguio, Amit, Tanong-Maboloc, So, Pamisaran, Aala, Jumamil, Discaya

MAY 06, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 392

AUTHORIZING HONORABLE DE CARLO L. UY, MBA, ACTING GOVERNOR, THIS PROVINCE, TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF DAVAO DEL NORTE, GOVERNMENT CENTER, MANKILAM, TAGUM CITY, DAVAO DEL NORTE, REPRESENTED HEREIN BY THE ACTING GOVERNOR, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "FIRST PARTY" AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN ISIDRO, POBLACION, SAWATA, SAN ISIDRO, DAVAO DEL NORTE, REPRESENTED HEREIN BY ITS MUNICIPAL MAYOR, HON. SILVANO B. GAJE, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "SECOND PARTY", RELATIVE TO THE TURN-OVER OF THE COMPLETED PROJECT FROM THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF DAVAO DEL NORTE, ENTITLED: IMPROVEMENT OF KABYAWAN CAVE AT BARANGAY DACUDAO, MUNICIPALITY OF SAN ISIDRO

SPONSORS: Amit, Suaybaguio, Tanong-Maboloc, So, Pamisaran, Jumamil, Discaya

MAY 06, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 393

AUTHORIZING HONORABLE DE CARLO L. UY, MBA, ACTING GOVERNOR, THIS PROVINCE, TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF DAVAO DEL NORTE, GOVERNMENT CENTER, MANKILAM, TAGUM CITY, DAVAO DEL NORTE, REPRESENTED HEREIN BY THE ACTING GOVERNOR, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "FIRST PARTY" AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF TALAINGOD, STO. NIÑO, TALAINGOD, DAVAO DEL NORTE, REPRESENTED HEREIN BY ITS MUNICIPAL MAYOR, HON.

JONNIE A. LIBAYAO, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "SECOND PARTY", RELATIVE TO THE TURN-OVER OF THE COMPLETED PROJECT FROM THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF DAVAO DEL NORTE, ENTITLED: DEVELOPMENT OF 360 DEGREES VIEWING DECK AT JBL, BARANGAY STO. NIÑO, MUNICIPALITY OF TALAINGOD

SPONSORS: Amit, Suaybaguio, Tanong-Maboloc, So, Pamisaran, Jumamil, Discaya

MAY 06, 2024  
PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE  
NO. 2024-007

AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2021-001, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "CREATING THE DAVAO DEL NORTE BARANGAY AGRICULTURE WORKER TO BE KNOWN AS 'DAVNOR BAW', PRESCRIBING FUNCTIONS AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF"

SPONSORS: Catalan, Lu, Amit, Tanong-Maboloc, Pamisaran

MAY 06, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 397

AUTHORIZING HONORABLE DE CARLO L. UY, MBA, ACTING GOVERNOR, THIS PROVINCE, TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT FIELD OFFICE (FO) XI, R. MAGSAYSAY AVENUE COR. D. SUAZO ST., DAVAO CITY, HEREIN REPRESENTED BY ITS REGIONAL DIRECTOR, ATTY. VANESSA B. GOC-ONG, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "DSWD FO XI" AND THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF DAVAO DEL NORTE, THROUGH THE DAVAO DEL NORTE HOSPITALS-CARMEN ZONE, KAPALONG ZONE AND SAMAL ZONE, GOVERNMENT CENTER, MANKILAM, TAGUM CITY, THIS PROVINCE REPRESENTED HEREIN BY THE ACTING GOVERNOR, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE "SERVICE PROVIDER", RELATIVE TO THE FORGING OF PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DSWD FO XI (FIELD OFFICE-CRISIS INTERVENTION SECTION/ SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT (FO-CIS/ SWAD) SATELLITE OFFICE) FOR THE LATTER TO PROVIDE A CREDIT LINE TO THE FORMER BY MAKING ITS SERVICES READILY AVAILABLE TO QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS OR FAMILIES IN CRISIS OR DIFFICULT SITUATIONS

SPONSORS: Amit, Tanong-Maboloc, Suaybaguio, Lu, So, Pamisaran, Aala, Remitar, Libro, Jumamil, Macla, Discaya

MAY 06, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 399

EXPRESSING GRATITUDE AND COMMENDATION TO HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT FERDINAND "BONGBONG" R. MARCOS, JR., WHOSE UNWAVERING SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY HAVE SHONE BRIGHTLY IN THE MIDST OF THE CALAMITIES THAT MADE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT IN THE PROVINCE, THROUGH THE GRANT OF SPECIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (SFA) AMOUNTING TO TEN MILLION PESOS (PHP 10,000,000.00) FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE SEVEN POINT FOUR (7.4) MAGNITUDE DECEMBER 02, 2023 MINDANAO EARTHQUAKE IN ADDITION TO THE PREVIOUS GRANT OF THIRTY MILLION PESOS (PHP 30,000,000.00) TO FAMILIES AFFECTED BY THE COMBINED EFFECTS OF THE NORTHEAST MONSOON (NM) AND THE TROUGH OF LOW PRESSURE AREA (LPA) IN THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE

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SPONSORS: Amit, Tanong-Maboloc, Suaybaguio, Lu, So, Aala, Remitar, Libro, Jumamil, Macla, Discaya

MAY 06, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 400

EXPRESSING GRATITUDE AND COMMENDATION TO VICE PRESIDENT SARA Z. DUTERTE WHOSE UNWAVERING SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY HAVE SHONE BRIGHTLY IN THE MIDST OF THE RECENT SHEAR LINE AND LOW-PRESSURE AREA (LPA) THAT MADE ITS IMPACT IN THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE

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MAY 13, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 425

APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2024-257 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, THIS PROVINCE, "IMPOSING CURFEW ON MINOR CHILDREN AND WARDS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI FROM 10:00 P.M. UP TO 4:00 A.M. THE FOLLOWING DAY AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF MINOR CHILDREN AND WARDS VIOLATING PROVISIONS HEREOF"

SPONSORS: Amit, Suaybaguio, Libro



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HON. DE CARLO L. UY, MBA - The Regular Presiding Officer

MAY 13, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 428

APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2024-256 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, THIS PROVINCE, "AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING RABIES CONTROL PROGRAM AND PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR ITS EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, DAVAO DEL NORTE", SUBJECT TO THE RECOMMENDATION HEREIN STATED

SPONSORS: Lu, Amit, Tanong-Maboloc, Pamisaran, Jumamil, Discaya

MAY 13, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 429

APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 369 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF NEW CORELLA, THIS PROVINCE, "ADOPTING THE GUIDELINES TO FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ENERGY PROJECTS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NEW CORELLA"

SPONSORS: Lu, Amit, Pamisaran, Jumamil

MAY 13, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 432

APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 375 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF NEW CORELLA, THIS PROVINCE, "PRESCRIBING REGULATORY FEES AND PACKAGES FOR THE LABORATORY SERVICES IN THE MUNICIPAL HEALTH OFFICE OF THIS MUNICIPALITY"

SPONSORS: Tanong-Maboloc, Lu, Pamisaran

MAY 13, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 433

APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 372 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF NEW CORELLA, THIS PROVINCE, "PROHIBITING THE USE, SALE, DISTRIBUTION AND ADVERTISEMENT OF CIGARETTES AND OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN CERTAIN PLACES, IMPOSING PENALTIES THEREOF AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, AS AMENDED"

SPONSORS: Remitar, Amit, Lu, Pamisaran, Librero, Jumamil

MAY 13, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 434

APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 373 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF NEW

CORELLA, THIS PROVINCE, "REGULATING THE MANUFACTURE, SALE, DISTRIBUTION AND USE OF PNP UNIFORMS, INSIGNIAS AND OTHER ACCOUTREMENTS"

SPONSORS: Remitar, Amit, Lu, Pamisaran, Librero, Jumamil

MAY 13, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 435

APPROVING CITY ORDINANCE NO. 07-2024 OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF PANABO, THIS PROVINCE, "AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS IN CRISIS SITUATION (AICS) IN PANABO CITY, ITS POLICIES, AND GUIDELINES, AND FUNDS THEREOF"

SPONSORS: Lu, Amit, Pamisaran, Librero

MAY 13, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 438

APPROVING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2024-254 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, THIS PROVINCE, "PROHIBITING THE SELLING OF VOLATILE SUBSTANCES AND THEIR BY-PRODUCTS TO MINORS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, DAVAO DEL NORTE"

SPONSORS: Amit, Lu, Tanong-Maboloc, Aala, Pamisaran, Jumamil, Discaya

MAY 20, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 447

APPROVING CITY ORDINANCE NO. 415, SERIES 2023 OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE ISLAND GARDEN CITY OF SAMAL, THIS PROVINCE, "AN ORDINANCE NAMING THE ACCESS ROAD DONATED BY MILAGROS G. MARTINEZ, SONIA V. GARCIA, JOCELYN G. ANG, CYNTHIA G. AGUILAR, BENJAMIN V. GARCIA, MAGDALENA LUCIA G. SUAREZ, MARIA EMPERATRIZ G. RABAT, EDUARDO V. GARCIA AND JORGE CARMELO V. GARCIA TO THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF THE ISLAND GARDEN CITY OF SAMAL LOCATED IN FRONT OF THE PHILIPPINE PORT AUTHORITY (PPA) PORT IN BARANGAY VILLARICA, BABAK DISTRICT, ISLAND GARDEN CITY OF SAMAL, AS "AMADO M. GARCIA AND EMPERATRIZ V. GARCIA DRIVE", RESPECTIVELY

SPONSORS: Macla, Aala, Suaybaguio, Remitar

MAY 20, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 451

APPROVING CITY ORDINANCE NO. 1038, S-2024 OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF TAGUM, THIS PROVINCE, "AN ORDINANCE REVISING CITY ORDINANCE NO. 957, S-2020 'AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTING THE CITY OF TAGUM HALAL INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION PROGRAM AND THE CREATION OF THE CITY OF TAGUM HALAL COUNCIL, ITS PURPOSES AND COMPOSITION' AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF"

SPONSORS: So, Pamisaran, Remitar, Amit, Lu

JUNE 18, 2024  
RESOLUTION NO. 483

AUTHORIZING HONORABLE DE CARLO L. UY, MBA, ACTING GOVERNOR, THIS PROVINCE, TO SIGN THE DEED OF DONATION, ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT, MALACAÑANG, MANILA, REPRESENTED HEREIN BY ITS UNDERSECRETARIES, USEC. ADRIAN CARLOS A. BERSAMIN AND USEC. AL-AZREE J. MOHAMMADSALI, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE "DONOR" AND THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF DAVAO DEL NORTE, GOVERNMENT CENTER, MANKILAM, TAGUM CITY, THIS PROVINCE, REPRESENTED HEREIN BY THE ACTING GOVERNOR, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE "DONEE", RELATIVE TO THE FORMER'S ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF TEN MILLION PESOS (PHP 10,000,000.00) TO THE CONSTITUENTS OF THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE, PARTICULARLY THE FARMERS, FISHERFOLKS AND MARGINALIZED HOUSEHOLDS WHO WERE SEVERELY AFFECTED BY THE ONSET OF THE EL NIÑO PHENOMENON, WITH AN AIM TO ALLEVIATE THEIR PLIGHT AND HELP THEM COPE WITH THE CHALLENGES THAT THE PHENOMENON HAS BROUGHT

SPONSORS: Amit, Tanong-Maboloc, Suaybaguio, Lu, Pamisaran, Aala, Remitar, Librero, Jumamil

By: MARY CONN LIRAZAN

## BM “Mawe” Pamisaran authors Twin Ordinances for the welfare of Barangay Officials, workers and functionaries in DavNor

By: Fairyssa Bianca Sagot and Adrian Cabaya

In his first term as a Board Member in the Province of Davao del Norte, Honorable Emmanuel “Mawe” Pamisaran has embarked on a transformative journey, leaving an indelible mark on the lives of our fellow Dabaonons through his remarkable legislative accomplishments. With a steadfast commitment to enhancing the welfare of his constituents, particularly in the areas of cooperatives, agriculture and education, Hon. Pamisaran has exemplified dedication and effective leadership.

One of the cornerstones of Hon. Pamisaran’s tenure has been his unwavering support for agriculture. Recognizing their important role in economic empowerment and community development, he recently authored the Provincial Ordinance No. 2024-007, titled “Amending Certain Provisions of Provincial Ordinance No. 2021-001, Otherwise Known as ‘Creating the Davao del Norte Barangay Agriculture Workers to be known as ‘DavNor BAW’, Prescribing Functions and Providing Funds Thereof” which was approved last May 17, 2024. Under this ordinance, amendments were introduced to enhance the functions and operational efficiency of our DavNor BAW. It redefined their roles to align more closely with the current agricultural practices and challenges, empowering them to act as catalysts for agricultural innovation and productivity at the grassroots levels. Moreover, it provided additional resources and funding allocations to support our DavNor BAW in carrying out their vital functions effectively.

Furthermore, as a public servant of more than two decades, Hon. Pamisaran possesses a profound understanding of the vital role played by our Barangay

Officials and Functionaries. His extensive experience has provided him with invaluable insights into the challenges and responsibilities faced by these leaders who plays a vital role in the empowerment of the local government units in the country. However, even if they are the sector closest to the people, they are the most underappreciated, including in terms of salary and benefits. With this, it inspired him to introduce legislation aimed at enhancing their effectiveness and welfare. Approved last May 14, 2024, Provincial Ordinance No. 2024-006, titled “Amending Certain Provisions of Provincial Ordinance No. 2026-003, Otherwise Known as ‘An Ordinance Providing Hospitalization, Death Benefit and Burial Assistance to Barangay Officials and Functionaries”, ensures more comprehensive support for our dedicated Barangay Officials and Functionaries. This broadens the range of Barangay Functionaries eligible for benefits, increases financial assistance for hospitalization, death benefits, and burial assistance, and streamlines the application process for faster and more efficient benefit distribution.

Beyond his legislative achievements, Hon. Pamisaran’s leadership is characterized by his responsiveness and genuine concern for the welfare of his constituents. His initiatives not only address critical needs in agriculture and community governance but also reflect a visionary approach to empowering local leaders and improving the quality of life for all Dabaonons. As he continues to serve, his dedication and transformative impact will undoubtedly leave a lasting legacy of progress and empowerment in Davao del Norte.



## Unwavering Leadership, BM Amit’s Impact on Local Development

By: Aubrey Ruise D. Llenado

Honorable Orly A. Amit, 2nd District Board Member, known for his unwavering support of progress and the welfare of the community, has made a great impact in developing strategic plans that resonate throughout the province. He has contributed immensely to improving local infrastructure and positively impacting the lives of many residents. One of his notable accomplishments was leading an effort to bring electricity to areas that lacked access.

In cooperation with the Northern Davao Electrical Cooperative (NORDECO), he successfully held a switch-on ceremony in areas such as Talicud Island, Barangay Ipil-Ipil San Remegio, Barangay 11 DCLA Tambo, Barangay Tagbay Sitio Pigasaan, and Barangay San Antonio in the Island Garden City of Samal. These were made possible with the support of Congressman Alan “ALDU” Dujali and the National Electrification Administration (NEA).

Additionally, under his leadership, the successful Serbisyo Caravan on Talicud Island in the Island Garden City of Samal provided a range of services and programs to hundreds of residents. These included cash incentives for Barangay Health Workers (BHW) and Civil Volunteer Organizations (CVO) coordinated with the Provincial Treasurer’s Office (PTO); financial assistance for tricycle drivers through the Department of Social Welfare and

Development (DSWD); a medical and dental mission by the Provincial Health Office (PHO) offering free circumcision, eye screening, and a family planning seminar; veterinary services by the Provincial Veterinarian’s Office (PVO); and distribution of agricultural inputs from the Provincial Agriculturist’s Office (PAGRO). This initiative showcased his commitment to ensuring government assistance reaches every part of the province, addressing critical needs, and fostering inclusivity among residents. His dedication to bridging development gaps and enhancing community welfare is truly commendable. This effort was supported by Congressman Alan “ALDU” R. Dujali, Acting Governor De Carlo “Oyo” Uy and the other District II Board Members.

To continue his dedication to public welfare, Board Member Amit plays a pivotal role as the Chairperson of the Committee on Finance, Budget, and Appropriations by meticulously overseeing the process of proposing supplemental budgets and ensuring that financial resources are allocated where they are most needed to support economic stability.

Recently, BM Amit’s expertise was instrumental in a significant financial decision by supporting Acting Governor De Carlo “Oyo” Uy to propose the reallocation of

Confidential Funds towards social services in the Supplemental Budget No. 1, Calendar Year 2024. This includes proportionately distributing funds to the Office of Provincial Economic Enterprise Development (PEEDO) Hospital, Samal Zone, Provincial Agriculturalists Office (PAGRO), Provincial Engineers Office (PEO), Office of the Secretary to the Sanggunian (OSS), Provincial Social Welfare and Development (PSWDO), and Sangguniang Panlalawigan Office (SPO). This change, supported by BM Amit, demonstrates a commitment to transparent and efficient governance, putting resources towards public services for the benefit of the community. By focusing on social services, this budget adjustment aims to meet urgent community needs in Davao del Norte. BM Amit’s vision is for public funds to be used wisely to ensure everyone is taken care of. His leadership in this effort underscores his steadfast commitment to fostering a more inclusive and supportive community.

Board Member Orly Amit’s tireless efforts in bridging development gaps and promoting well-being highlight the powerful impact of committed leadership and set a high standard for public service. His legacy of service and dedication will continue to inspire and uplift the community, promising sustained benefits for generations to come.



## Liga ng mga Barangay Davao del Norte Chapter hosts 1st Provincial Congress: A Historic Step towards Enhanced Local Governance

By: Dyna Aileen G. Arcena

Aiming to enhance their leadership capabilities, the Liga na mga Barangay (LnB) Davao del Norte Chapter successfully convened its 1st Provincial Congress on May 14-16, 2024 at the Grand Regal Hotel, Davao City, with the theme "Fostering Leadership: Empowering Barangay Officials for Sustainable Governance and Development." to equip Barangay leaders with the necessary skills and knowledge for an effective barangay administration.

The three-day congress brought together more than 700 participants and barangay officials from across the province. The said event was graced and highlighted by the presence of distinguished guests including Acting Governor Hon. De Carlo "Oyo" Uy, Acting Vice Governor Hon. Flopone Royle "Popop" A. Catalan, 2nd District Congressional representative, Hon. Alan "Aldu" Dujali, invited guest Hon. Jossone Michael Dayanghirang (LNB Regional President XI), respective Board Members, and LNB President of Davao del Norte Hon. Norman P. Librero with the Association of Barangay Councils (ABC) Presidents in the Province.

The opening program was delighted with meaningful messages from the active leaders and as the event was facilitated by the LNB DavNor, Hon. Norman Librero welcomed the participants, emphasized that through the congress, "Empowering every barangay official is very important for confidence, self-respect and our sense of value, which can impact our ability to make positive and right choices about what we want to do para sa atong personal nga kalambuan ug labi na gayud

sa kalambuan sa barangay nga atong gialagaran. Kung magmalambuan ang atong barangay, magmalambuan sab ang atong syudad, munisipyo, probinsya ug labaw sa tanan ang atong nasod." during his opening remarks.

On the second day, it was delved deeper and packed with activities which featured keynote speakers with comprehensive discussions led by experts in various topics such as: Disaster Reporting Template and Response Protocol by Eric R. Rosillo, LPT, MCDRM (LDRRMO III, OIC Operations and Warning Division Head PADO-DRRMD); Building Bridges: Promoting Gender Understanding and Respect by LGOO II Marc Voltaire F. Daquigan (Acting MLGOO, DILG Braulio E. Dujali); From Conflict to Resolution: Basics of Katarungan Pambarangay in Practice by LGOO VII Mario S. Baldos, JD (Cluster Head, DILG Davao del Sur); Public Ethics Accountability by Dir. Jonathan J. Leybag, MPA (DILG Provincial Director, Dava del Norte). The participants engaged in interactive activities that simulated real-life scenarios, providing hands-on experiences in problem-solving and decision-making.

On the other hand, the national government also extended their support through giving appreciation messages, especially Senator Lawrence "Bong" Go who was duly represented by Mr. Phillip Salvador who has given tokens and prizes to the participants. Also, the LNB National President, Hon. Maria Katrina Jessica Dy expressed her full support for the activity by also giving one of the major raffle prizes.

In addition to the formal sessions, the

congress also had a fellowship night that provided opportunities to have an informal discussion with other participants. It was filled with entertainment, camaraderie and the much-anticipated raffle draw, which included exciting prizes that added an element of fun and excitement to the evening. Participants expressed their excitement at the chance to win the prizes which were generously donated by some of the sponsors. The attendees enjoyed the night with a festive atmosphere that strengthened the bonds between the Barangay leaders.

More so, the Liga ng mga Barangay's 1st Provincial Congress emphasized the importance of continuous learning and capacity building among Barangay officials, including the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK). It also adopts a culture of proactive and informed leadership, which is essential for addressing the complex challenges faced by the communities today.

As the congress concluded, the participants were fueled with a renewed sense of purpose and a drive to implement the strategies in their respective Barangay. The LNB plans to make this an annual event, ensuring that Barangay officials remain at the forefront of innovative governance and sustainable development.

Indeed, the Liga Congress is a testament to the collective efforts and dedication of Barangay leaders in striving for the betterment of their communities. Barangay officials were surely challenged, equipped and eager to apply the knowledge gained to enhance the lives of their constituents. 🙌

## BM So leads on the approval of the Revised Davao del Norte Investment Code of 2014

By: Ruda Caren P. Balabab, LPT

Honorable Robert L. So, the Chairperson of the Committee on Trade, Commerce and Industry/ Science and Technology presided the public hearing on June 4, 2024 at the DavNor Pavilion, marking a key step in the economic development of Davao del Norte. The public hearing centered on the Revised Davao del Norte Investment Code of 2014.

The Revised Investment Code is designed with a clear objective: to foster a more conducive environment for both local and foreign investments. By doing so, it aims to catalyze the growth of industries, micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs), and enhance the utilization and value-adding of local resources. Moreover, it seeks to ignite the ingenuity of entrepreneurs, paving the way for innovative and sustainable economic activities in the Province of Davao del Norte.

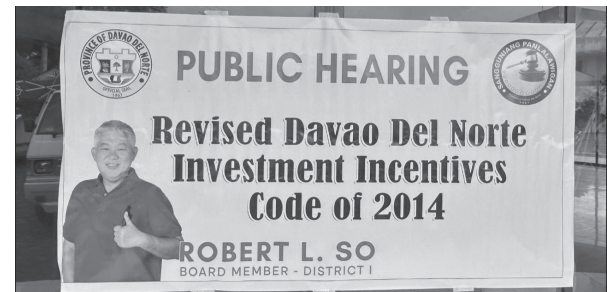
The public hearing was a platform for various stakeholders to voice their opinions, suggestions, and support for the revised code. The Provincial Treasurer, Provincial Assessor, Davao del Norte Investment Promotion Center, Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Business Permit and Licensing Officers (BPLO), Local Economic Development and Investment Promotion Officer (LEDIPO), came together, demonstrating a collective commitment to the province's economic future. The collaborative spirit and active participation underscored the community's

readiness to embrace change and progress.

Honorable Robert L. So, with his exemplary leadership, steered the discussions, ensuring that all viewpoints were heard and considered. His dedication to the economic prosperity of Davao del Norte was evident as he emphasized the importance of creating an investment-friendly environment that not only attracts capital but also nurtures homegrown talent and innovation.

Provincial Ordinance No. 2024-011, entitled: The Revised Davao del Norte Investment Incentive Code of 2014, is more than just a regulatory document; it is a strategic blueprint for the province's economic advancement. By offering attractive incentives, simplifying processes, and providing robust support systems, the code aims to position Davao del Norte as a prime destination for investors. This initiative is expected to spur job creation, enhance local income, and ultimately elevate the standard of living for the residents.

The public hearing at DavNor Pavilion was a resounding success, reflecting the unity and shared vision of the people of Davao del Norte. The Revised Investment Code stands as a testament to the province's commitment to sustainable growth and development. As the province opens its doors wider to investments and innovation, the future looks promising for all stakeholders involved. The said Provincial Ordinance No. 2024-011 was approved by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan on its 25th Regular Session last June 18, 2024. 🙌





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