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Minutes of the 17th Regular Session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, this city, held on
May 8, 2017

AN ORDINANCE PROMOTING CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION OF ORGANICALLY PRODUCED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES FOR GOOD HEALTH.

Sponsored by: Honorable SP MEMBER Vicente Victor G. Veloso, duly seconded by Alan D. Fernandez

Explanatory Note

WHEREAS, Republic Act 10068, otherwise known as, An Act Providing for the Development and Promotion of Organic Production on Agricultural Products in the Philippines and for other purposes was enacted into law by both the Senate and the House of Representatives on February 01, 2010;

WHEREAS, Memorandum Circular No. 02 dated January 2013 jointly issued by the Department of the Interior and Local Government and the Department of Agriculture has enjoined all Local Government Units (LGUs) to implement RA 10068 in their respective jurisdiction. It also provides roles and responsibilities of the LGUs in the implementation of the National Agriculture Program under the said Act;

WHEREAS, shifting back to traditional ways of consuming vegetables and fruits would result in the production of healthy organically grown food on the table for our constituents:

WHEREAS, as a result, organic food provides considerably greater amounts of essential nutrients which play the key role in human health.

WHEREAS, in addition to direct health benefits, organic food offers a number of indirect but just as important positive effects on both human health and the environment.

WHEREAS, The National Nutrition Council has embarked on programs in collaboration with the LGU of Baybay City to uplift the nutrition status of our constituents, with corresponding budget on its implementation; this ordinance is a fitting support to its program.

WHEREFORE, on motion of Honorable SP Member Vicente Victor G. Veloso and duly seconded by Honorable SP Member Alan D. Fernandez, thus this ordinance:

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 14

AN ORDINANCE PROMOTING CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION OF ORGANICALLY PRODUCED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES FOR GOOD HEALTH.

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Be it ordained, by the 17th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Baybay in its regular session assembled;

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as "An Ordinance Promoting Consumption and Production of Organically Produced Fruits and Vegetables." **SECTION 2. THE DECLARATION OF POLICY.** The City Government will promote the consumption and production of organically produced vegetables in the local communities or barangays with-in its territories.

SECTION 3. PURPOSE. The purpose of this ordinance is to institutionalize Republic Act 10068 in the City of Baybay. It would ensure the production of healthy foods produced by our farmers and mitigate the harmful effects of the use of chemical farm inputs.

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS. For purposes of this ordinance the following terms shall be defined as follows:

- a. Consumption of Fruits and Vegetables- Refers to eating of raw fruits and vegetables or vegetable and fruit- based prepared food.
- b. Organic Production of Fruits and Vegetables- includes all Agricultural systems that promote the ecologically sound, socially acceptable, economically viable and technically feasible production of food (Section 3(b) of Republic Act. 10068.

SECTION 5. CITY ORGANIC FRUITS AND VEGETABLE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE. To carry out such declared policy and for an effective implementation of this ordinance,

there shall be created a City Technical Committee which shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson

City Mayor

Co-Chairperson:

SP Chair of Committee on Health

Members:

SP Chair of Committee on Agriculture

City Health Officer City Agriculturist

Baybay City Division Superintendent

(The City Agriculture Office shall serve as Secretariat)

SECTION 6. IMPLEMENTING DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The City Organic Production of Fruits and Vegetables Committee (COPVC) shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- a. Establish linkages with other agencies, government or private and NGOs to promote the consumption and organic production of fruits and vegetables in the city.
- b. Recommend doable measures to develop and promote consumption and production of fruits and vegetables
- c. Formulate research and development agenda for organic plantation of fruits and vegetables and promote its consumption.
- d. Prepare booklets/brochures of food or menus that are delicious yet affordable or low cost preparation yet highly nutritious food.
- e. Prepare booklets/brochures of vegetable and fruit based snacks.
- f. Prepare booklets/brochure of vegetable and fruit based drinks.
- g. All events public or private where foods are being served such as; fiestas, birthdays, weddings, etc. must have at least two vegetable menus on the table.
- h. Disseminate information on organic fruits and vegetables farming

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- Hold regular meetings at least once a month to discuss and deliberate concerns affecting the implementation of organic fruits and vegetables farming programs and its consumption.
- Formulate policies, plans, programs and projects to develop and promote organic fruits and vegetable production, processing and consumption in the City.
- k. Identify and recommend areas or zones where assistance for the plantation of fruits and vegetable production program shall be undertaken.
- Oversee the successful implementation of the City Organic Fruits and Vegetable production and consumption Program.
- m. Perform such other functions as may be necessary for the promotion and development this ordinance in the City of Baybay.

SECTION 7. ORGANIC GENE/SEED BANK. The City Government of Baybay through the City Agriculturist's Office in coordination with Non-Government Organizations and Agriculture Educational Institution such as Visayas State University, shall establish an Organic Gene/Seed Bank which will produce and supply organic seeds to farmers.

SECTION 8. SUPPORT SERVICES TO ORGANIC FARMERS. The City Government of Baybay shall ensure support to organic farmers who wish to engage in organic production of fruits and vegetables such as training, production, marketing and branding to develop an organically produced product that will ensure a market niche, including the practice of fair trade.

SECTION 9. ESTABLISHMENT OF TRADING POSTS FOR ORGANIC PRODUCTS AND INPUTS. There shall be established dedicated stalls in the Baybay Public Market and Special Market Day for Organic Products. If possible a trading post for organic inputs.

SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any part of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional, the remaining parts thereby shall continue to remain valid and in effect.

SECTION 11. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances, executive orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval.

Enacted: May 8, 2017.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that certified copies of this resolution be furnished to the offices concerned for their information and appropriate action.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution which was duly adopted during the 17th Regular Session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, this city, held on May 8, 2017.

ATTY. MVIAN E. VIDALLON
SP Secretary

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ATTESTED & CERTIFIED TO BE DULY ADOPTED:

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With our concurrence:

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APPROVED BY HER HONOR:

CARMEN L. CARI

City Mayor