

## Republic of the Philippines BATANGAS CITY

### Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod

Tel. No. 723-2175

#### ORDINANCE NO. 5 S. 2016

SPONSORED BY CO-SPONSORED BY COUN. SERGIE REX M. ATIENZA

COUN. JULIAN B. VILLENA

COUN. GERARDO A. DELA ROCA AND ALL CITY COUNCILORS

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR GRANTS AND SUPPORT TO THE BANTAY DAGAT TASK FORCE OR DEPUTIZED FISH WARDENS OF BATANGAS CITY IN RECOGNITION TO THEIR CONTINUOUS INVALUABLE EFFORT FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ECOLOGY OF THE CITY AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF

WHEREAS, Batangas City is known to cover within its jurisdiction the Verde Island relative to the popular Verde Island Passage that was declared in 2006 to be the Center of Marine Biodiversity in the world and Verde Island Passages as the "Center of the Center of Marine Shorefish Biodiversity";

WHEREAS, the threat of illegal activities such as banned fishing, reckless detours of passenger ships, intrusion of commercial fishing vehicles, dumping of toxic or industrial wastes and other dreadful reckless acts remains to be possible due to the long stretch of coastal area and maritime jurisdiction of Batangas City;

WHEREAS, the Bantay Dagat Task Force or Deputized Fish Wardens of Batangas City, motivated by the appeal to their moral persuasions and high environmental awareness, had been the frontline in the endeavour to assist the City Government in the implementation and enforcement of existing fishery laws, rules and regulations relative to city's continuous effort to the preservation, conservation, maintenance, protection and promotion of the marine and aquatic resources;

WHEREAS, parallel to the Bantay Dagat Task Force or Deputized Fish Wardens passion in maintaining the rich marine biodiversity of the city waters, are the imminent risks to their lives and that being detrimental as well to their families as their personal financial sources are likewise perceived to be substantially affected with the projected income loss due to patrolling;

WHEREAS, amid the challenges, it is high time to continue and further strengthen the preservation, protection, promotion and efficient management of the marine ecology in our city waters in order to ensure sustainability with high regard to the people who putting forth the welfare of our marine ecology first;

WHEREAS, in recognition and gratitude to the efficiency efforts and sacrifices of the Bantay Dagat Task Force or Deputized Fish Wardens as well as to ensure assistance to their plight and sustain their active participation, it is necessary that an Ordinance be enacted granting honoraria to our Deputized Fish Wardens as they continuously fulfil their commitment to our city waters;



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**NOW THEREFORE,** be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City in session assembled that:

SECTION I. TITLE - This Ordinance shall be known as "Bantay Dagat Honoraria Ordinance".

SECTION II. SCOPE AND COVERAGE - This ordinance shall apply to all Bantay Dagat Task Force designated or legally known as Deputized Fish Wardens duly supervised by the Office of the Fishery Division of the Office of the City Veterinary and Agricultural Services and deputized by the City Mayor who patrols and performs services in aid of the implementation and enforcement of existing fishery laws, rules and regulations;

SECTION III. SOURCE OF FUND - The Honoraria of Bantay Dagat Task Force or Deputized Fish Wardens for the year 2016 shall be taken from the Annual or Supplemental Budget or any available funds. In order to carry out the implementation of this ordinance in the subsequent years, the amount necessary for such purpose shall be appropriated in the Annual Budget under the City Veterinary and Agricultural Office (OCVAS) and shall be processed and granted to the Deputized Fish Wardens in the same manner as to their previous honoraria subject to all existing budgeting and accounting laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION IV. HONORARIA - Every Deputized Fish Wardens who has rendered services in aid of the implementation and enforcement of existing fishery laws, rules and regulations shall receive an Honorarium in the amount of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00) every month. The records of attendance and/or number of hours of duty rendered must be duly certified by each Bantay Dagat Team Leader and attested by the Chairman of Bantay Dagat Task Force and the Division Head of the Fishery Division of the Office of the City Veterinary and Agricultural Services (OCVAS) and/or the Department Head of the said department.

SECTION V. INSURANCE - To afford ample protection and sense of security in risking their lives in the performance of their duties, the City Government of Batangas through the City Mayor shall allocate funds for the PHILHEALTH coverage under R.A. 7875 or other insurance benefits as may be allowed by law to every Bantay Dagat Task Force or Deputized Fish Wardens deputized by the City Mayor.



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**SECTION VI. REPEALING CLAUSE** - All ordinances, rules and regulations or parts thereof, whose provisions are in conflict with or contrary to the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, amended and modified accordingly.

SECTION VII. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of any court with competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION VIII. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE** - This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval by the Honorable City Mayor and after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the province and Cities of Batangas.

ENACTED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod this 14th day of March, 2016.

ATTY. OLIVA D. TELEGATOS

Secretary Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

EMILIO FRANCISCO A. BERBERABE, JR.

rasiding Officer

APPROVED:

EDUARDO B. DIMACUHA City Mayor

Date Approved: March 21.20/6



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#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

SUBMITTED BY

**COMMITTEE ON LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS** 

**SUBJECT** 

PROPOSED ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR GRANTS AND SUPPORT TO THE "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR GRANTS AND SUPPORT TO THE BANTAY DAGAT TASK FORCE OR DEPUTIZED FISH WARDENS OF BATANGAS CITY IN RECOGNITON TO THEIR CONTINUOUS INVALUABLE EFFORT OF TO THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ECOLOGY OF THE CITY AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF"

#### **COMMENTS/ RECOMMENDATION:**

Referred to the Committee on Laws, Rules and Regulations is the above proposed ordinance for study, comment and recommendation.

A hearing was conducted on March 2, 2016 attended by the members of the Committee and with by the other members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod. Also present were Mr. Bernard B. Mendoza and Mr. Modesto T. Morales of OCVAS, Mr. Renato R. Calaluan, Mr. Iemer P. Limbo, Mr. Reyner Pasco and Mr. Paciano B. Dela Roca of Bantay Dagat Cluster I and II, and Mrs. Elizabeth Q. Delos Reyes of City Budget Office.

During committee hearing, all relevant information was discussed including budgetary concerns which were explained by the Budget Officer. Necessary amendments were made and that the final draft was submitted to the members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

After studying the matter, the Committee recommends:

- 1. The adoption of this Committee Report
- 2. To incorporate the amendments that was made to the proposed ordinance.
- 3. Schedule the proposed ordinance for Second and Final Reading.

Respectfully submitted March 7, 2016.

THE COMMITTEE ON LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS

COUN. ALYSSA RENEE A CRUZ- ATIENZA

Chairman

COUN. MARIA CLAUDETTE U. AMBIDA- ALDAY

Member

ÇOUN. ARMANDO C. LAZARTE

Membei

## REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES BATANGAS CITY

### OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION HELD BY THE MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF BATANGAS CITY ON MARCH 14, 2016 AT THE SANGGUNIAN SESSION HALL

#### PRESENT:

Hon. Emilio Francisco A. Berberabe Jr., Hon. Glenn M. Aldover,	Presiding Officer Councilor
Hon. Claudette U. Ambida-Alday,	
Hon. Hamilton G. Blanco,	"
Hon. Aileen Grace A. Montalbo,	66
Hon. Sergie Rex M. Atienza,	66
Hon. Armando C. Lazarte,	44
Hon. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz-Atienza,	66
Hon. Gerardo A. dela Roca,	66
Hon. Ma. Kristine Josefina G. Balmes,	cc
Hon. Julian B. Villena,	66
Hon. Angelito "Dondon" A. Dimacuha,	(ABC-Rep.)

"On motion of Councilor Atienza seconded by Councilor Villena, the following Resolution was Adopted:

### **RESOLUTION NO. 81 S. 2016**

APPROVING ON SECOND AND FINAL READING THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR GRANTS AND SUPPORT TO THE BANTAY DAGAT TASK FORCE OR DEPUTIZED FISH WARDENS OF BATANGAS CITY IN RECOGNITION TO THEIR CONTINUOUS INVALUABLE EFFORT FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ECOLOGY OF THE CITY AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF

**RESOLVED**, to approve on Second and Final Reading the proposed ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Providing for Grants and Support to the Bantay Dagat Task Force or Deputized Fish Wardens of Batangas City in Recognition to their Continuous Invaluable Effort for the Protection of the Marine Ecology of the City and Providing Funds Thereof."

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED."

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 81 S. 2016 was approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City during its Regular Session held on March 14, 2016.

LUNINGNING A. AQUINO
Board Secretary III
Sangguniang Panlungsod

NOTED:

ATTY. OLIVA D. TELEGATOS

Secretary

Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

EMILIO FRANCISCO A. BERBERABE, JR.

Rresiding Officer

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