

## Republic of the Philippines Region IX Province of Zamboanga del Sur **Municipality of Ramon Magsaysay**

## Office of the Sanggunian Secretary

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 58TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 10<sup>th</sup> SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF RAMON MAGSAYSAY, ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR, HELD AT THE SANGGUNIAN SESSION HALL ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2020.

Officers/Members:	Designation	Present	Absent	Remarks
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## **MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 6-2020**

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING POLICIES ON QUARANTINE PROCEDURES AND RESPONSE TO PANDEMICS, EPIDEMICS AND HEALTH EVENTS OF PUBLIC CONCERN; AND IMPOSING THE APPROPRIATE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Duterte issued Proclamation No. 922 on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and the Code Alert System for COVID-19 was raised to Code Red Sub-Level Two in accordance to the recommendation of the Department of Health (DOH) and the Inter-Agency Taskforce for Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF). Further, Presidential Proclamation No. 929 was issued declaring a State of Calamity throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, RA 11332 of the "Mandatory Reporting of Notifiable Disease and Health Events of Public Concern Act" stated that the state has duties to protect and promote the right of the people to health and instill health consciousness among them;

**WHEREAS**, the LGU of Ramon Magsaysay is mandated during public health threat to protect its constituents from the risk and to create an effective response system in compliance with the International Health Regulations of the World Health Organization;

WHEREAS, Section 447 (a)(1)(iv) of the Local Government Code of 1991 states that the Sangguniang Bayan, as the legislative body of the municipality, shall enact and approve ordinances for the general welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of this Code xxx and for an efficient and effective municipal government and in this connection shall adopt measures to protect the inhabitants of the municipality from the harmful effects of man-made or natural disasters and calamities and to provide relief services and assistance for victims during and in the aftermath of said disasters and calamities.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Bayan of Ramon Magsaysay, Zamboanga del Sur, in session assembled:

Section 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known as "Ramon Magsaysay COVID-19 Quarantine Protocols."

Section 2. Definition of Terms:

2a) High Risk Areas –are municipalities, cities, provinces or countries that has high infection rate and cases as declared by the local or national IATF.

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- 2b) Municipal Isolation Unit is an isolation building at least 50 meters away from the residential areas and must be off limits to the general public of the municipality and will house infectious and high-risk individuals. Only health personnel, staff and authorized persons wearing PPE or protective gears may be allowed to enter the premises.
- 2c) Barangay Isolation Unit is an isolation building at least 5 meters from the residential area and must be cordoned from the public and will house persons being monitored for the disease. Only health personnel, staff and authorized persons wearing PPE or protective gears may be allowed to enter the premises.
- 2d) High Risk Individual is a person that has travel history to areas with active COVID-19 cases. This may include Locally Stranded Individuals, OFWs, and APORS as declared by the Municipal Health Office after proper risk assessment.
- 2e) ROF refers to Returning Overseas Filipinos. These are persons that are from outside the country and have decided to return home whether they are planning a short vacation or a permanent stay at the municipality.
- 2f) LSI refers to Locally Stranded Individuals. These are persons that are traveling from areas outside the Province of Zamboanga del Sur but are planning to return to their home towns and provinces.
- 2g) APOR refers to Authorized Persons Outside of their residences. These are persons that are given the privilege to travel outside of the province due to work-related activities. However, if the travel does not directly involve the work of the individual or if the travel is leisure related he/she is not considered an APOR and shall not be allowed to travel under this classification.
- Section 3. Quarantine Protocols. Any person may be a resident of the municipality, a passerby, or a visiting guest that is assessed by the Health Authorities as a health threat to the residents of this municipality must undergo self-isolation or quarantine.
- 3a) The Rural Health Unit and Tourism Office will spearhead the assessment and screening of all incoming individuals. Those who are assessed as persons from High Risk Areas must undergo the 14 days mandatory and strict isolation.
- 3b) Rapid Test Reactive Individuals, COVID Positive individuals that are asymptomatic and any person that may infect the general population will be catered to the Municipal Isolation Unit(s) to undergo isolation for 14 days or until deemed necessary by the health officers.
- 3c) Rapid Test Non-Reactive individuals or Individuals with lesser risk of infecting the general population will be placed at the Barangay Isolation Unit(s) for 14 days isolation and monitoring.
- 3d) The Barangay must prepare a Barangay Isolation Unit for the period of the crisis and must man the unit for possible quarantine violators.
- 3e) Anybody that comes with contact with isolated person(s) under monitoring is in violation of this ordinance and will be assessed by the Health Officers for possible isolation.
- 3f) Passer-by guests or visitors that are from the outside the Province but do not plan to stay at the municipality for a long period of time. These individuals may do so but must not exceed 24 hours in the municipality. He/She must also inform the barangay office and fill-up a Health Declaration Form for contact tracing purposes.

Section4. Violation of Quarantine Protocols. Any person that is non-compliant to the protocols or does not cooperate with the quarantine procedures is punishable under this section. Tampering of quarantine documents like Health Certificates, Travel Pass/Travel Authority or any certification related to the health crisis is also punishable under this section.

- 4a) Any individual from outside the Province of Zamboanga del Sur that has arrived in the Municipality without prior notification will automatically be isolated and tested for COVID-19 under their own expense. They will also be penalized under this ordinance.
- 4b) LSIs that did not notify/coordinate with the LGU upon arrival will be fined P1,000.00 for the test-kit expenses.

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- **4c**) APORs that did not notify/coordinate with the LGU upon arrival will be fined P1,000.00 for the test-kit expenses.
- **4d**) Passer-by guests that exceed 24 hours in the municipality will be fined P1,000.00 for the test-kit expenses.
- Section 5. Penalties . Persons in violation of Section 3 and Section 4 will be penalized as follows:
- 1st offense P500/person and re-orientation by the Rural Health Unit with the quarantine protocols.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense P1,000/person and travel ban or non-issuance of travel pass/authority for the period of the health crisis or imprisonment of not more than 2 months or both upon the discretion of the court.
  - **Section 6. Repealing Clause**. Any ordinance or parts thereof, inconsistent with this enactment is hereby repealed or amended accordingly.
  - **Section 7**. **Effectivity.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon compliance to all procedures required under Republic Act No. 7160 of an ordinance for its validity, including the affixation of signatures of the Sangguniang Bayan Members, in concurrence thereto, composing the unanimous members of the Sangguniang Bayan, on all the pages of this Ordinance.

## **CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:**

TESSIE R. TAGA-AN Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

MARGIE ARCITE-MACHON Municipal Vice-Mayor, Presiding

CONFORME (Sangguniang Bayan Members)

VERGINITA A. GONZALES

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APPROVED:

Municipal Mayor 9 かん