Office of the Secretary Ormoc City

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE FIFTA MUNICIPAL BOARD OF ORMOC CITY ? PHILIPPINES, HELD AT ITS SESSION HALL ON JULY 28, 1965

PRESENT:

Hon. Benjamin F. Tugonon, Floor Leader, Presiding

Hon. Narciso C. Alfaro, City Councilor

Hon. Pelagio C. Kierulf, City Councilor

Hon. Francisco D. Abas, City Councilor Hon. Anastacio D. Besabella, City Councilor

Hon. Marciano S. Du, City Councilor

Hon. Benjamin T. Pongos, City Councilor

ABSENT:

Hon. Heliodoro T. Fiel, Vice-Mayor, Presiding Officer (Acting City Mayor)

Hon. Francisco D. Aviles, City Councilor

RESOLUTION NO. 177

"WHEREAS, it is the sad experience of the Ormoc populace to witness and undergo the ordeal of multifarious fiesta celebrations held during the year especially during the months of May and June by reason of the fact that persons or group of persons, for some reason or another, celebrate fiestes of their own choice as there are no form of regulation whatsoever to constitute a norm of conduct that will guide the holding of fiesta celebrations which are sprouting like mushrooms;

"WHEREAS, it is noteworthy to mention that even for the present there are days when three, four, or five barrios and sitios are holding fiesta celebrations on the same day because some districts, barrios and sitios are holding two, three or four fiesta celebrations every year each distinct from the other;

"WHEREAS, it is about time that this undesirable and extravagant practice and custom be cut by minimizing fiesta celebrations which would do great benefit to the greatest number of our constituents because, firstly, it would diminish the exposure of the health, physical and moral, of our youths to the wear and tear of life; secondly, it would lessen the laziness and indolence that would arise from the situation; thirdly, it will be eventually economical on the part of our constituents who necessarily will spend to celebrate their fiestas; and lastly, by allowing only one fiesta celebration in every district, barrio or sitio it will enhance unity in the community and eliminate petty competitions and jealousies that may arise from various fiesta celebrations therein;

"NOW, THEREFORE, the Board, on motion of Councilor Pongos, Surpended 678 seconded by Councilor Kierulf;

"RESOLVED, to adopt:

AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING FIESTA CELEBRATIONS IN ALL DISTRICTS, BARRIOS AND SITIOS IN OFMOC CITY ONLY ONCE EVERY CALENDAR YEAR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED, by authority of the Municipal Board of Ormoc City, Philippines, pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act 179, as amended by Republic Act 429, otherwise known as the Chafter of Ormoc City, That:

SECTION 1. No district, barrio or sitio in Ormoc City shall hold fiesta celebrations more than once every calendar year from the time of the approval of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. Districts, barrios or sitios which before the approval of this Ordinance are holding two or more fiesta celebrations every year shall fix the date for their fiesta celebration for the year through a meeting called for that purpose. In case the same could not be fixed in said meeting, then, another meeting may be called to fix the date presided by the Councilor assigned of the district, barrio or sitio. Such date shall become the yearly date of holding fiesta celebration, except when by petition of the majority of the residents therein, another meeting is called to fix a different date.

SECTION 3. The provision of Section 1 hereof allowing the holding of fiesta celebrations only once a year shall not apply if said celebrations are so done only for religious purposes doing away with the holding of benefit dances, amateur nights, dramas, or any other form of entertainment:

SECTION 4. Penalty. - Any violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not more than One Hundred Pesos (\$100.00) or an imprisonment of not exceeding two (2) months or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the Court.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED, July 28, 1965.

"RESOLVED, FINALLY, to furnish a copy of this resolution each to the City Judge, the City Fiscal, the Chief of Police, the City Health Officer, and all Barrio Councils of Ormoc City;

Secretary

"CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY."

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above quoted resolu-

tion-ordinance.

ATTESTED:

loor Leader

Presiding

APPROVED,

1965:

HELIODORO FIEL

Vice-Mayor & Actg. City Mayor

ATTESTED AS APPROVED:

Secretary to the City Mayor

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