

Republic of the Philippines
MUNICIPAL BOARD
Office of the Secretary
Ormoc City

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SIXTH
MUNICIPAL BOARD OF ORMOC CITY, PHILIPPINES, HELD AT
THE PARISH CENTER BUILDING ON JANUARY 17, 1968

PRESENT:

Hon. Jesus B. Lladoc, Vice-Mayor, Presiding Officer
Hon. Gregorio C. Yrastorza, Floor Leader
Hon. Juanito Kangleon, City Councilor
Hon. Jose C. Aviles, City Councilor
Hon. Cesar Samson, City Councilor
Hon. Eduardo P. Tan, City Councilor
Hon. Albino P. Porcadilla, City Councilor
Hon. Rafael M. Mejia, City Councilor

ABSENT:

Hon. Jose G. Navarro, City Councilor

RESOLUTION NO. 19

"WHEREAS, paying respect to the Flag is seemingly observed by only educational institutions only so much so that people out of school nowadays never seem to mind any Flag ceremony going on within the immediate vicinity where they happen to be;

"WHEREAS, as a people, we should honor our national colors during Flag ceremonies considering that it is the symbol of our sovereign nation even as it stands for courage, valor and patriotism which were the living spirits of our heroes, they who died that we may live, in their fight for freedom and sovereignty which we now enjoy;

"WHEREAS, this august Body would like to instill in the hearts of our constituents that saluting to the flag is not a thing of the past when we were yet within the confines of the academy and that such a patriotic practice could not just be relegated to the background;

"NOW, THEREFORE, the Board, on motion of Councilor Porcadilla, seconded by the Floor Leader;

"RESOLVED, to adopt:

ORDINANCE NO. 5

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL PERSONS TO SALUTE TO THE FLAG
DURING FLAG CEREMONIES OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
AND/OR GOVERNMENT OFFICES

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Municipal Board of Ormoc City, That:

SECTION 1. Title of Ordinance. - This Ordinance shall, henceforth, be known as the "Flag Ordinance" of Ormoc City.

SECTION 2. All persons from school age up are hereby required to salute to the Flag during Flag ceremonies observed by educational institutions or government offices when they are within the vicinity of said institutions or offices holding such rites. It shall be unlawful for any person not to salute to the Flag during said flag ceremonies.

SECTION 3. Definition of terms. - By the term "salute" is meant - to immediately stop whatever one is doing, regardless of inconvenience, and to express compliment by an act of ceremony, as facing the flag, standing at attention, right hand over left breast, doff or hat's off, or the like, as differentiated from a hand, rifle or sword salute or any prescribed act of saluting to the colors executed by military or uniformed men.

By the term "Flag ceremony" is meant - the usual raising or lowering of the Flag in the morning and afternoon, respectively, the hanging of the Flag on the wall or at the window of an office, or any act of displaying the Flag for purposes of a ceremony.

If one happens to be riding on any means of land transportation, he must immediately stop when he is caught up with the time of the Flag ceremony of schools or offices until the rite is over.

SECTION 4. Traffic signs or road blocks to be installed by school or Government authorities during Flag ceremonies. - For purposes of this Ordinance, school authorities, or Government authorities holding Flag ceremonies, whose buildings or offices are situated along roads, streets, highways or the like, shall see to it that their school or office zones shall be closed to vehicular traffic during Flag ceremonies by installing traffic signs or road blocks with the following inscriptions:

S T O P
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FLAG CEREMONY
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By Order:
Ordinance No. 5,
series of 1968
Municipal Board

SECTION 5. Penalty for violation. - Any violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall, for the first offense, be punishable by a reprimand, and for the second and continuous offenses be punishable each by a fine of not less than five pesos but not exceeding fifty pesos or by an imprisonment of not less than one day but not exceeding thirty days, or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the Court.

SECTION 6. Construction of this Ordinance. - If any part or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or ultra vires, such part or section shall not invalidate any other provisions hereof.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED, January 17, 1968.

"RESOLVED, FURTHER, to furnish copies of this resolution-ordinance to the Division Superintendent of Schools for Leyte III, the District Supervisors, the Principals, Head Teachers and other school authorities, and all Department Heads of the city, provincial or national offices, of Ormoc City;

"CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY."

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above quoted resolution-ordinance.

ATTESTED:

Jesus B. Lladoc
JESUS B. LLADOC
Vice-Mayor
Presiding Officer

Laureano J. Suan
LAUREANO J. SUAN
Secretary

APPROVED, Jan. 23, 1968:

Inaki A. Larrazabal
INAKI A. LARRAZABAL
City Mayor

ATTESTED AS APPROVED:

Teotimo P. Ocubillo
TEOTIMO P. OCUBILLO
Secretary to the City Mayor