

REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD LUNGSOD NG ORMOC



EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE THIRD SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD AT ITS SESSION HALL ON OCTOBER 7, 1987

PRESENT:

Hon. Benjamin B. Lladoc, OIC, Office of the Vice-Mayor 🏂 Presiding Officer.

Hon. Gregorio A. Yrastorza, Jr., Kagawad, Floor Leader

Hon. Nepomuceno P. Aparis I,

Hon. Celso P. Adolfo,

Hon. Antero T. Fiel,

Hon. Sixto T. Pongos,

Hon. Rodolfo L. Rivilla, Jr.,

Hon. Arnulfo C. Salazar,

Hon. Avelina D. Subingsubing,

Hon. Romeo M. Hermosilla, ABC President,

ABSENT:

Hon. Ma. Emily C. Codilla, FKB President, (on leave) Kagawad

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RESOLUTION NO. 280

"WHEREAS, lots residents have heard that some unscrupulous businessmen engaged in the business of selling fish and other foodstuff, such as venetables, etc. are using "formalin" and other additive harmful to the health of the consuming public to preserve the same so as to make it appear fresh and therefore, still fit for human consumption;

this august Body, is duty bound to play its role in the WHEREAS, the consuming public against this practice which in one way or the other endangers the health and safety of the consuming public way of prohibiting the use of "formalin" or any other additive to the health of the consuming public in preserving fish for sale and other foodstuff, such as vegetables, etc. and providing penalty for violation thereof in order that our people will feel safe that the fish and other foodstuff they bought are not only their money's worth but are also consumable, palatable and best for the human body and/or fit for human consumption;

"NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Kagawad Aparis, jointly seconded by Mga Kagawad Subingsubing and Hermosilla; be it

"RESOLVED, to adopt:

ORDINANCE NO. 9

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE USE OF THE "FORMALIN" OR ANY OTHER ADDITIVE HARMFUL TO THE HEALTH OF THE CONSUMING PUBLIC IN PRESERVING FISH AND OTHER FOODSTUFF, SUCH AS VEGETABLES, ETC. FOR CONSUMPTION AND/OR FOR SALE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO DECEIVE THE CONSUMERS AS TO ITS TRUE CONDITION THEREBY MAKING IT APPEAR STILL COMPACT, FRESH AND FIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION IN THE CITY OF ORMOC AND PROVIDING PENALTY FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod ng Ormoc, That:

SECTION 1. $\underline{\text{Definition of terms.}}$ For purposes of this Ordinance the following terms are hereby defined:

- a) "Formalin" used for a clear aqueous solution of formaldehyde that usually contains about 37 percent formaldehyde by weight or 40 percent by volume together with a small amount of methanol for inhibiting polymerization. It is a colorless gas with sharp odor and is used as preservative and disinfectant.
- b) Additive any chemical substance and like substances to preserve fish and other foodstuff harmful to the health of the consuming public.
- c) Formaldehyde a chemical used chiefly as a disinfectant and preservative, as a hardening and insolubilizing agent especially for proteins and in the synthesis of other compounds and of phenolic and other synthetic resins.

SECTION 2. It shall be unlawful for any person or entity engaged and/or engaged in the business of salling, distributing fish and other foodstuff, such as vegetables, etc. in the City of Ormoc to use "formalin" or any other harmful to the health of the consuming public in preserving the same for consumption and/or for sale to the general public to deceive the consumers as to its true condition thereby making it appear still fresh and fit for human consumption.

SECTION 3. Any person or persons violating or assisting in the violation of this Ordinance shall subject the offender to the following penalties:

- a) First infraction, a fine of P500.00 or an imprisonment of not less than one (1) month, or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court;
- b) Second and subsequent infractions, a fine of P1,000.00 or an imprisonment of not less than six (6) months, or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court;

SECTION 4. Effectivity. - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED, October 7, 1987

"RESOLVED, FURTHER, to furnish a copy of this Resolution-Ordinance each to the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) and Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources, both in Tacloban City; the Honorable City Mayor; the City Judge; the City Fiscal; the City Treasurer; the City Health Officer; the Market Master; the Fish Vendors' Association and Filipino Retailers' Association, through their respective

Presidents; the Bureau of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources, Ormoc Office; and the Police Station Commander, INP, all in Ormoc City.

"CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY."

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted resolutionordinance.

> EMMANUEL ANTHONY C SABELING Secretary

ATTESTED:

BENJAMIN B. LLADOC

OIC, Office of the Vice-Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

EMETERIO Y DARRAZABAL DIC, City Mayor's Office

ATTESTED AS APPROVED:

EVANGELINE I PALUGOD

Secretary of the Mayor