

REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD LUNGSOD NG ORMOC



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AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD

ORMOC CITY HALL BUILDING

ON AUGUST 18, 2016

SIGNATURE: PINTINA

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ON LEAVE:

Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga,

Lea Doris C. Villar

Mariano Y. Corro,

SP Member

PREFATORY STATEMENT

This Sanggunian was in receipt of an Indorsement dated August 8, 2016 from the Office of City Mayor Richard I. Gomez requesting for the passage of an ordinance for the closure of some portions of the streets in the Ormoc City Plaza making it a walk-in avenue to boost the tourism efforts and initiatives of the City Tourism Office and the City Tourism Council. Additionally, another Indorsement dated August 17, 2016 was submitted by the City Mayor regarding said closure.

Section 21 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 (LGC), provides that a local government unit may, pursuant to an ordinance, permanently or temporarily close or open any local road, alley, park, or square falling within its jurisdiction. Hence, this Sanggunian is explicitly empowered to give ample and proper response to the City Mayor's aforementioned request.

Indeed, for the promotion of the safety, convenience and enjoyment of those patronizing the City Plaza and its surroundings, specifically to those who want to stroll around leisurely with family and friends unobstructed by passing motor vehicles that are not only a potential nuisance to their leisure time but also possible added risk to the safety of the public, especially to the young, the requested road closure shows that it is worthy of affirmative action and merit. This is not even to mention the intangible value that such closure will add to the tourism initiatives of the City as it will promote the City Plaza in a more natural and people-friendlier perspective. Furthermore, such closure will highlight and emphasize the true purpose as to why the City Plaza was conceived and built in the first place - to establish and maintain a public plaza where people can wholesomely enjoy the natural beauty of the City, particularly the beautiful bay and the spectacular sunset, among others. Lastly, the historic Puente Dela Reina Bridge, being the oldest bridge in the City, for its historical significance, should also be protected, preserved and highlighted, such that the City Mayor's request that the street fronting it shall also be closed shall also be given due merit.

FOREGOING PREMISES CONSIDERED, on motion of SP Member Benjamin S. Pongos, Jr., Chairman, Committee on Public Properties and Committee on Laws & Ordinances, severally seconded by SP Members Tomas R. Serafica, Gregorio G. Yrastorza, III, Nolito M. Quilang, John Eulalio Nepomuceno O. Aparis II, Lea Doris C. Villar and Mariano Y. Corro; be it

RESOLVED, to enact:

ORDINANCE NO. 003

AN ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY CLOSING THE IÑAKI LARRAZABAL BOULEVARD AND OTHER ADJACENT ROAD SECTIONS OF THE CITY FROM 6:00 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING OF EVERY SATURDAY TO 12:00 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING OF EVERY MONDAY FOR SAFETY, CONVENIENCE AND ENJOYMENT OF THE PUBLIC WALKING AROUND AND USING THE VICINITY OF THE CITY PLAZA AND ALSO TO BOOST TOURISM.

SECTION 1. Coverage. The portions of Iñaki Larrazabal Boulevard from the corner of San Pedro Street to Bonifacio Street including the access to Iñaki Larrazabal Boulevard from Puente dela Reina Bridge, J. Navarro Sireet and Malacadios Street respectively are hereby closed from 6:00 AM on Saturdays to 12:00 AM on Mondays. For better guidance in the implementation of this Ordinance, attached hereto and made an integral part herein is the vicinity map showing the portions of the roads subject to herein closure.

Said closure shall be strictly imposed on the areas on the days specified. In this pursuit, all private and public vehicles of any kind, including motorcycles, bicycles and the like shall be prohibited to enter or pass through the affected premises; for this purpose, an embankment to prevent ingress and egress shall be set up.

part thereof, whose provisions are in conflict with, or contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended and modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. Effectivity. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED, August 18, 2016.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to furnish copies of this Ordinance each to the City Mayor Richard I. Gomez, the OIC City Administrator, Mr. Vincent L. Emnas; the Acting City Legal Officer, Fiscal Marcelo C. Oñate; the City Planning and Development Office; the City Director, Ormoc City Police; the OIC – City Director, DILG, Engr. Jesus Jeremy D. Bagares; and other offices concerned.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above ordinance.

MARIA ANTONIETA G. CO HAT (Acting SP Secretary) Supervising Administrative Officer ATTESTED:

LEO CARMELO L. LOCSIN, JR. Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

RICHARD I. GOMEZ City Mayor

8-25-1

(Date)