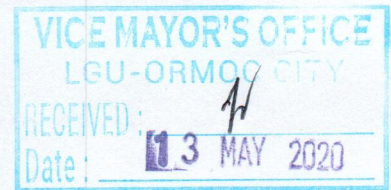


REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS  
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD  
LUNGSOD NG ORMOC



EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
FIFTEENTH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD  
AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL  
ON MAY 12, 2020



PRESENT:

Leo Carmelo L. Locsin, Jr.  
Benjamin S. Pongos, Jr.,  
Roiland H. Villasencio,  
Tomas R. Serafica,  
Nolito M. Quilang,  
Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga,  
Jasper M. Lucero,  
Peter M. Rodriguez,  
Vincent L. Rama,  
Gregorio G. Yrastorza III,  
Lalaine A. Marcos,  
Esteban V. Laurente,

City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer  
SP Member, Majority Floor Leader  
SP Member, 1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Majority Floor Leader  
SP Member, Presiding Officer "Pro-Tempore"  
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Liga ng mga Barangay ng Ormoc  
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Panlungsod na Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan ng Ormoc

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-138**

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING/APEALING TO THE  
PROVINCE OF CEBU AND THE CITY OF CEBU TO  
DELAY THE RESUMPTION OF SEAPORTS OPERATIONS  
FOR PASSENGER TRAVEL TO ORMOC CITY UNTIL  
THEIR COMMUNITY QUARANTINE IS LIFTED.**

WHEREAS, the 15<sup>TH</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod ng Ormoc received an endorsement letter from the Office of the City Mayor on May 8, 2020, requesting for the issuance of a Resolution asking the Province of Cebu and City of Cebu to delay the opening of seaports for passenger travel to Ormoc City and/or Province of Leyte;

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, the Philippines declared the rapid spread of COVID-19 as a Public Health Emergency which caused cities and provinces to close their territorial boundaries to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19, which included the closure of its seaports and airports;

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, Ormoc City decided to implement a strict border control as well as the closure of its seaports from passenger vessels to prevent the further spread of COVID-19 from nearby provinces to the City of Ormoc;

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2020, the President, through Executive Order No. 112, has given to the IATF the authority to impose, lift or extend a Community Quarantine in provinces, HUCs and ICCs beginning on May 16, 2020;

WHEREAS, on account of the said directive, the relevant agencies involved in port management, together with the local government officials from provinces, cities and municipalities comprising the islands of Biliran and Leyte, conducted a meeting to tackle the issues and concerns that the City and/or the Province may face upon the lifting of the community quarantine come May 16, 2020;



WHEREAS, during the said meeting, the participating LGUs realized the need to put in place measures to lessen if not prevent the transmission and spread of the virus and the putting up of measures, necessitate coordination and collaboration between and among agencies involved in port management as well local government units in ports of departure and arrival as well as LGUs of origin and destination;

WHEREAS, Ormoc City and nearby municipalities are still in the process of establishing clear regulations and protocols to be followed from point of embarkation to point of destination, and is still crafting guidelines on how to manage the passengers upon their arrivals especially facilities for quarantine and isolation;

WHEREAS, in this trying time as much as the City would want to immediately open its ports and welcome its residents, it also has an equal obligation to protect the lives of the people living in its area of jurisdiction and see to it that in the event that a positive case is confirmed from the new arrivals the same will be immediately contained;

WHEREAS, given the short span of time from the President's order and the intricacy of the things to be done in order to prepare the LGUs for the opening of its ports, the City of Ormoc hereby request and appeal for the delay of the opening of the ports of the Province of Cebu and/or City of Cebu for passenger travel to Ormoc City and/or Province of Leyte;

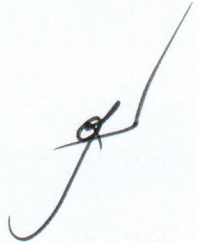
NOW THEREFORE, on joint motion of SP Member Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga, Chairman, Committee on Health & Sanitation and SP Member Gregorio G. Yrastorza III, Chairman, Committee on Transportation, severally seconded by SP Members Roiland H. Villaseñor, Benjamin S. Pongos, Jr., Tomas R. Serafica, Peter M. Rodriguez, Jasper M. Lucero, Vincent L. Rama, Esteban V. Laurente and Joan Marbie C. Simbajon; be it

RESOLVED as it is hereby to pass RESOLUTION REQUESTING/APPEALING TO THE PROVINCE OF CEBU AND THE CITY OF CEBU TO DELAY THE RESUMPTION OF SEAPORTS OPERATIONS FOR PASSENGER TRAVEL TO ORMOC CITY UNTIL THEIR COMMUNITY QUARANTINE IS LIFTED;

ADOPTED, May 12, 2020.

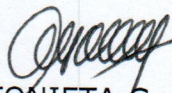
RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be furnished each to the City Mayor Richard I. Gomez; the City Administrator, Mr. Vincent L. Emnas; the City Legal Officer, Atty. Josephine Mejia-Romero; the City Health Department; Governor Gwendolyn F. Garcia, Province of Cebu; the City Mayor Edgardo Labella, Cebu City; the Philippine Ports Authority – Ormoc City; the Philippine Coast Guard – Ormoc City; the City Local Government Operations Officer-DILG; and all others concerned;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

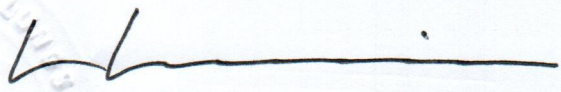




I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above resolution.

  
MARIA ANTONIETA G. CO HAT  
Secretary to the  
Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

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