VICE MAYOR'S OFFICE U-ORMOC CITY

City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

SP Member, Majority Floor Leader

SP Member, Asst. Majority Floor Leader

SP Member

REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD LUNGSOD NG ORMOC

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE NAME PANY FIFTEENTH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL, ORMOC CITY HALL BUILDING

ON SEPTEMBER 15, 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,

Joan Marbie C. Simbajon,

Ex-Officio SP Member, Chapter President,

Panlungsod na Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan ng Ormoc

ON LEAVE:

Esteban V. Laurente,

Ex-Officio SR Member, Chapter President, Liga ng mga Barangay ng Ormoc

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-285

A RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MAYOR RICHARD I. GOMEZ OR THE ACTING CITY MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND SIGN THE CONTRACT OF LEASE WITH THE ORMOC SUGARCANE PLANTERS ASSOCIATION, INC. RELATIVE TO THE LEASE OF THE REVERSE TRANSCRIPTION **POLYMERASE** CHAIN REACTION (RT- PCR) EQUIPMENT AND ALL OTHER EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES RELATIVE THERETO.

WHEREAS, this Fifteenth Sangguniang Panlungsod was in receipt of an Indorsement dated September 7, 2020 from the Office of the City Mayor, requesting the issuance of a Resolution authorizing the City Mayor/Acting Mayor/OIC Mayor to execute and sign the attached CONTRACT OF LEASE relative to the operation of the REVERSE TRANSCRIPTION POLYMERASE CHAIN (RT- PCR) machine in Ormoc. It was further requested that the matter be treated as EXTREMELY URGENT. A copy of the Contract of Lease is hereto attached as "ANNEX A" and made an integral part hereof;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Ormoc owns an RT-PCR machine, conveyed to it through gratuitous title by the Energy Development Corporation (EDC) in aid to the LGU's fight against COVID-19;

WHEREAS, in a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) dated July 6, 2020, as amended, the OSPA shall operate and develop an economical Molecular Testing Laboratory with an appropriate staff guided by the protocols set forth by the Department of Health in the establishment of a Testing Laboratory;

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WHEREAS, Section 17 of the Local Government Code of 1991 mandates the continuous exercise by local government units of their power in order to discharge duties and functions which are necessary, appropriate, or incidental to efficient and effective provisions of basic services and facilities such as the implementation of programs and projects for the institution of communicable and non-communicable diseases control facility;

WHEREAS, the OSPA-FMC is a hospital fully capable of maintaining a COVID-19 testing laboratory with the competent personnel who can manage and operate the laboratory;

WHEREAS, the Technical Working Group formed under Executive Order No. 59 and tasked by Mayor Richard I. Gomez to "explore and examine all avenues for the immediate and efficient establishment of a COVID-19 testing center, including entering into Joint Ventures and/ or partnerships with private agencies and institutions, within the limits set forth by applicable legal principles" has favorably endorsed the attached document;

WHEREAS, health authorities have proclaimed that the early diagnosis through nucleic acid tests, of the COVID-19 is vital for the prevention and control of the virus;

WHEREAS, the Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) method is considered as a definitive detection process for the causative agent of the COVID-19 and is characterized by rapid detection, high sensitivity, and specificity, and can aid in diagnosing early infection;

WHEREAS, the City of Ormoc is relentless in its pursuit to establish a testing facility to help the government flatten the curve, lessen backlogs and immediately impose measure necessary to address the current situation of the community;

WHEREAS, the lease of the machinery and equipment to a private entity for a reasonable amount for the establishment of a testing laboratory is beneficial to the community, for the general welfare, and is not prohibited by law;

WHEREFORE, on joint motion of SP Member Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga, Chairman, Committee on Health & Sanitation and SP Member Benjamin S. Pongos, Jr., Chairman, Committee on Laws & Ordinances, severally seconded by SP Members Tomas R. Serafica, Gregorio G. Yrastorza III, Joan Marbie C. Simbajon, Roiland H. Villasencio, Nolito M. Quilang, Peter M. Rodriguez and Lalaine A. Marcos; be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to pass A RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MAYOR RICHARD I. GOMEZ OR THE ACTING CITY MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN THE CONTRACT OF LEASE WITH THE ORMOC SUGARCANE PLANTERS ASSOCIATION, INC. RELATIVE TO THE LEASE OF THE REVERSE TRANSCRIPTION POLYMERASE CHAIN (RT- PCR) EQUIPMENT AND ALL OTHER EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES RELATIVE THERETO;

ADOPTED, September 15, 2020.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of the final notarized Contract of Lease be submitted to this Sanggunian for its information and files;

RESOLVED, FINALLY, to furnish copies of this resolution each to the City Mayor of Ormoc Richard I. Gomez; the City Administrator, Mr. Vincent L. Emnas; the City Legal Officer, Atty. Josephine Mejia-Romero; the OSPA-Farmer's Medical Center; Energy Development Corporation (EDC); the Green Core Geothermal, Inc. (GCGI); the Ormoc Sugarcane Planters' Association, Inc.; the City Health Department; the City Local Government Operations Officer-DILG; and other offices concerned for their information and guidance;

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above resolution.

MARIA ANTONIETA \$. 40 HAT

Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

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

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