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**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SEVENTEENTH (17TH) REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD ON NOVEMBER 22, 2019 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL, NATIONAL HIGHWAY, BRGY. TIMUGAN, LOS BAÑOS, LAGUNA.**

Present : Vice Mayor Antonio L. Kalaw, Presiding Officer  
S.B. Member Josephine S. Evangelista  
S.B. Member Miko C. Pelegrina  
S.B. Member Janos S. Lapiz  
S.B. Member Geronimo A. Ciceron  
S.B. Member Dexter A. Concio  
S.B. Member Mark Lester B. Dizon  
S.B. Member Cris Dayril B. Bagnes  
S.B. Member Arlene P. delos Santos, Liga President  
S.B. Member Jozlyn N. Manansala, SK Fed. President  
Secretary Dona T. Alborida  
Ms. Jellyn S. De Una, LLSA II

Absent : S.B. Member Marlo PJ A. Alipon (On Leave)

Visitor(s) : None

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-1912**

**ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE “DUGONG BAYANI” BLOOD DONATION PROGRAM OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOS BAÑOS AND PRESCRIBING POLICIES ON THE CONDUCT OF BLOOD DONATION ACTIVITIES IN THE MUNICIPALITY.**

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WHEREAS, Republic Act 7719 or the National Blood Service Act of 1994 mandates for the provision of adequate, safe, affordable and equitable distribution of blood and blood products through active promotion and conduct of voluntary blood donation by the citizenry and to instill public consciousness the principle that blood donation is a humanitarian act.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government of Los Baños Laguna is committed to protect the life, health and safety of its constituents.

WHEREAS, blood is an essential and vital body fluid, considered as lifeline of human body and performing many important functions such as delivery of oxygen to body cells and tissues; supply of nutrients; removal of body wastes; regulation of body temperature; immunologic and other circulatory functions.

WHEREAS, during disasters, accidents and illnesses, blood may be lost from the body or may not be produced adequately by the body, and may endanger the life of an individual if its not replaced with correct and safe blood components.

WHEREAS, the Los Baños Municipal Health Office is operating a Birthing Home facility whose clients may need blood products during labor and delivery.

WHEREAS, there is a need to institutionalize a systematic blood donation program that will ensure a steady and enough supply of blood in the blood banks that can be readily accessed or availed by a patient or by the constituents whenever it is needed.

WHEREAS, the DUGONG BAYANI BLOOD DONATION PROGRAM of the Municipality of Los Baños aims to ensure enough and sustainable supply of blood and blood products available to the constituents of Los Baños, Laguna, by actively promoting and campaigning voluntary blood donation and conducting blood donor recruitment and blood donation activities in the community.

NOW THEREFORE, in motion of Councilor Mark Lester B. Dizon, duly seconded by Councilwoman Josephine Sumangil-Evangelista and unanimously approved by all members present.

**SECTION 1.** **SHORT TITLE** - This ordinance shall be called the "**Blood Program Ordinance**" of the Municipality of Los Baños, Laguna.

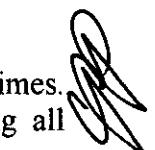
**SECTION 2.** **SCOPE AND COVERAGE** - The policies prescribed in this ordinance shall apply to all sectors of the community, whether public or private entities, including but not limited to academic, medical, business, government and non-government institutions or organizations located or operating within the municipality of Los Baños, Laguna, or, entities, institutions and organizations located or operating outside of the municipality but who will conduct blood donation activities within the municipality.

**SECTION 3.** **BLOOD DONATION POLICIES** - It shall be the policy of the Municipal Government of Los Baños to promote and safeguard the health and wellness of its constituents by ensuring adequate, safe and accessible human blood for transfusion.

3.1 Blood and blood products shall be made available at all times. The availability of blood is the shared responsibility among all sectors of the community.

3.2 Voluntary blood donation shall be an integral part of the health and wellness programs of the municipality. All sectors of the community, whether public or private entities, including but not limited to academic, medical, business, government and non-government institutions or organizations located or operating within the municipality of Los Baños, Laguna shall be required to institute a voluntary blood donation advocacy program or activity, whether in the form of blood donation promotions, donor recruitment or actual participation in blood donation or bloodletting activities.

3.3 Only DOH accredited blood centers or blood banks such as Philippine Blood Center, Philippine Red Cross or hospitals duly accredited and licensed by DOH to conduct mass blood donation, shall be allowed to conduct blood donation activities in the municipality.



3.4 Standard screening procedures shall be employed to all would be blood donors in order to prevent transmission of blood transmissible diseases.

3.5 Individuals with known infectious disease/s shall not be allowed to donate blood in blood donation activities of the municipality.

3.6 Blood donation for a fee is strictly prohibited.

3.7 Only properly screened blood products shall be issued and transfused to patients needing blood transfusion.

3.8 The Municipal Government of Los Baños shall aspire to provide blood or blood products to patients needing blood transfusion for free. No patient shall be denied available products based on his or her gender, religion, belief, political inclination, status in the community or financial capacity.

3.9 Priority recipients of blood products gathered by the municipality are the residents of Los Baños, blood donors or his or her relatives or chosen recipients or based on the level of urgency of blood transfusion as recommended by physician or by health officers.

3.10 Blood products gathered or owned by the municipality may be issued or given to patients who are not residents of the municipality provided there is no immediate or anticipated request coming from patients who are residents of Los Baños

#### SECTION 4. COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION

4.1 To mobilize all sectors of the community, the municipal government of Los Baños shall endeavor to attain the criteria set by LGU scorecard for voluntary blood donation program which is to have Blood Donation Rate of one percent (1%) of the total population.

4.2 The municipality of Los Baños through the Municipal Health Office shall conduct community-based blood donation activity at least three (3) times a year.

4.3 The Municipal Government of Los Baños shall support all other community-based blood donation activities conducted by other institutions or organizations as long as the activities are properly coordinated and registered at Los Baños Municipal Health Office as mandated in this ordinance.

4.4 Each barangay shall organize its own Barangay Blood Council with the following functions:

4.4.1 Conduct barangay-level information and education campaign on voluntary blood donation;

4.4.2 Maintain a master list of voluntary blood donors in the barangay;



4.4.3 In coordination with Municipal Health Office, may conduct regular community-based blood donation activity in the barangay.

4.5 Barangay Health Stations (BHS) or Health Centers (HC) shall be designated as the centers for voluntary blood donation advocacy and social mobilization. Public health nurses, midwives and Barangay Health Workers, after undergoing proper training, shall be designated as Blood Donor Recruitment Officers (BDRO). BHS or HC shall establish and maintain blood donor registry.

4.6 All government and private institutions, including but not limited to government agencies, business establishments, schools/universities and hospitals are encouraged to establish regular voluntary blood donation campaign and blood donor recruitment activities.

**SECTION 5. CONDUCT OF BLOOD DONATION**

5.1 For blood sufficiency and program efficiency, organized community-based blood donation shall be systematically scheduled by the municipality through the Municipal Health Office.

5.2 All community-based blood donation or bloodletting activities within the municipality of Los Baños, Laguna shall be properly coordinated and registered at the Municipal Health Office prior to the conduct of blood donation or bloodletting activity. The community-based blood donation must be registered at Municipal Health Office at least two (2) weeks before the activity.

5.3 Post-activity report shall be submitted by organizers within five (5) days after the conduct of blood donation activity.

5.4 The Los Baños Municipal Health Office is authorized to screen community-based blood donation activities. The Municipal Health Officer is authorized to disallow or stop the conduct of blood donation activity if the organizer or the activity is not compliant with Sections 3.3 to 3.6 and Section 5.2 to 5.3 of this ordinance.

5.5 The Municipal Health Officer may disallow or request change of date of the proposed community-based blood donation activity if it will offer conflict with previously approved blood donation activity.

**SECTION 6. DUGONG BAYANI BLOOD DONATION PROGRAM** - The Dugong Bayani Blood Donation Program of the Los Baños Municipal Health Office shall be the official blood program of the municipality. The program shall encompass advocacy, campaign and promotion of voluntary blood donation, donor recruitment, regular blood donation or bloodletting activities, and storage and supply of safe and affordable if not totally free blood products.

**SECTION 7. STORAGE AND DISPOSITION OF BLOOD PRODUCTS**

7.1 The Los Baños Municipal Health Office (LBMHO) shall establish a blood station in its facility to store blood products gathered during community-based blood donation activities. In the absence of municipal-owned blood station facility, the LBMHO

may forge partnership or enter into a memorandum of agreement with government or private health facilities within the municipality, with licensed or accredited blood bank or blood station, for the storage of blood products gathered from blood donation activities.

7.2 Blood products gathered by the municipality through the Dugong Bayani Blood Donation Program shall be given or issued to patients for free. Partner blood bank or blood station however may charge a minimum fee for the storage of the blood product.

7.3 "Storage fee" to be charged by the partner blood bank or station shall be mutually agreed upon by the Municipal Government of Los Baños and the partner blood bank or station.

7.4 Storage and disposition of blood products gathered through blood donation activity conducted by other organizations or institutions shall be the responsibility and on the discretion of the organizer and their partner agencies or organizations.

7.5 Selling of blood and blood products are strictly prohibited in the municipality of Los Baños.

SECTION 8.

**LOS BAÑOS BLOOD COUNCIL** - In order to ensure sustainability and efficiency of the blood program of the municipality that is supported by all sectors of the community, the Los Baños Blood Council is hereby created.

8.1 Membership:

Municipal Mayor	Chairman
Municipal Councilor for Health	Vice Chairman
ABC President	Member
LB Chief of Police (PNP)	Member
Municipal Health Officer	Member
Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator	Member
Municipal Blood Service Coordinator	Member
MDRRM Officer	Member
Public Information Officer	Member
Gender and Development Officer	Member
UPLB Vice Chancellor for Community affairs	Member
Makiling Medical Society President	Member
Camp Macario Sakay representative	Member
Municipal Red Cross Chairman	Member
Hospital Blood Coordinators	Member
LBSCFI President/Representative	Member
Business Sector Representative	Member
Kababaihan Group President or Representative	Member
4P's President or Representative	Member

8.2 Functions

8.2.1 Participate in the formulation or enhancement of the municipal blood program that will fulfill the needs for blood transfusion in the community;

8.2.2 Plan and implement sustained information, education and communication (IEC) activities in the community to promote and campaign voluntary blood donation;

8.2.3 Plan and implement sustained blood donor recruitment and retention program and activities;

8.2.4 Organize community-based blood donation activities in coordination with Municipal Health Office and authorized blood centers or authorized blood collecting agencies/facilities;

8.2.5 Spearhead or conduct fund-sourcing or fund-raising activities to support blood donation program of the municipality;

8.2.6 Establish and strengthen the network of referral among health facilities within the municipality, for the access and procurement of safe and affordable blood products;

8.2.7 Monitor the implementation of municipal blood donation program by conducting regular program implementation review;

8.2.8 Develop program on awarding and recognition of stakeholders;

8.3 Members of the blood council shall be designated or appointed through an executive order by the Local Chief Executive.

SECTION 9. **FUNDING** - The municipal blood donation program shall be included in the work and financial plan of the municipality. Budget for the program shall be sourced from GAD fund, MDRRM fund or any available fund of Municipal Health Office.

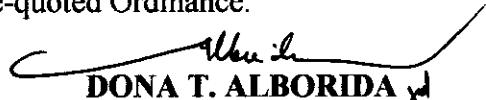
SECTION 10. **SEPARABILITY CLAUSE** - If any part, section or provision of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. **REPEALING CLAUSE** - All ordinances, rules and regulations or parts not consistent with any provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 12. **EFFECTIVITY** - This ordinance shall take effect upon approval and publication within the municipality.

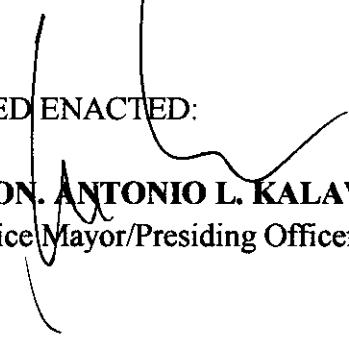
ENACTED : NOVEMBER 22, 2019

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

  
DONA T. ALBORIDA

Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

CERTIFIED ENACTED:

  
HON. ANTONIO L. KALAW  
Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

  
HON. CAESAR P. PEREZ  
Municipal Mayor