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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE THIRTY - SECOND (32ND) REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD ON AUGUST 23, 2021 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL, NATIONAL HIGHWAY, BRGY. TIMUGAN, LOS BAÑOS, LAGUNA.

Present : Vice Mayor Josephine H. Sumangil - Evangelista, Presiding Officer
S.B. Member Miko C. Pelegrina
S.B. Member Janos S. Lapiz
S.B. Member Geronimo A. Ciceron
S.B. Member Marlo PJ A. Alipon
S.B. Member Mike Dexter A. Concio
S.B. Member Mark Lester B. Dizon
S.B Member Arlene P. delos Santos, Liga President
S.B. Member Jozlyn N. Manansala, SK Fed. President
Secretary Dona T. Alborida
Ms. Felomina I. Lincallo, LLSO I

Absent : S.B. Member Cris Dayril B. Bagne, (O.B.)
S.B. Member Rodora P. Loares, (On-Quarantine)

Visitor : None

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-2185

AN ORDINANCE MANDATING VOUCHER SYSTEM IN THE DELIVERY OF BASIC SERVICES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT OF LOS BAÑOS.

Author : **Councilor Marlo P.J.A. Alipon, REE, RMP, MPA**

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 states that: "Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied there from, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for the efficient and effective governance and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare";

WHEREAS, the Local Government Unit of Los Baños aims to provide assistance and support for the marginalized sector of the municipality;

WHEREAS, as part of the Damayan sa Kapwa Program of the Municipality, Municipal Ordinance No. 2019-1891 was passed providing free casket to indigent families who are bonafide residents of Los Baños;

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[Handwritten signatures of the author and other officials]

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2021, the Sangguniang Bayan enacted Municipal Ordinance No. 2021-2132 entitled: "An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Damayan sa Kapwa Program of the Municipality of Los Baños, Laguna". Section 3 of the Ordinance states that the Damayan Program shall include but is not limited to: food and non-food assistance during calamities, epidemic or other extraordinary circumstances; financial assistance; rice subsidy; medical supply; hospitalization; and coffin/casket;

WHEREAS, Sections 4 and 5 of the same Ordinance state that residents of the municipality of Los Baños, especially those who belong to the marginalized sector may avail the Damayan Program, subject to certain requirements;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8545 otherwise known as the "Expanded Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education Act" of 2013 was passed into law. Section 5 of RA 8545 states that financial assistance for tuition for students in private high schools shall be provided by the government through a voucher system;

WHEREAS, grant of financial assistance and other similar services under the Damayan Program may be provided to our constituents through a voucher system;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Councilor Marlo PJ A. Alipon duly seconded by Councilor Mike Dexter A. Concio and approved by the councilors present;

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF LOS BAÑOS,
LAGUNA, IN SESSION ASSEMBLED, THAT:**

SECTION 1. **TITLE.** This Ordinance is entitled "An Ordinance Mandating Voucher System in the Delivery of the Basic Services of the Local Government Unit of Los Baños."

SECTION 2. **DEFINITION OF TERMS.** The following words or phrases shall be defined as follows:

- a. "**Damayan sa Kapwa Program**" or Damayan Program refers to an assistance extended by the Municipal Government of Los Baños, whether for food or other non-food assistance such as water, money, or other necessities.
- b. "**Voucher**" is a subsidy given by the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Los Baños to qualified beneficiaries of the Damayan sa Kapwa Program of the municipality. The assistance helps to defray the cost of hospitalization, medicines, burial among others. The subsidy is not given to beneficiaries as cash; the LGU instead pays directly to concerned establishment/institution.

SECTION 3. **VOUCHER SYSTEM.** All basic services under the Damayan sa Kapwa Program which includes but not limited to medicines, hospitalization, laboratories, burial and other basic services shall be provided by the LGU through a voucher system or in kind.

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HON. ANTONIO L. KALAW
Municipal Mayor