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**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SIXTEENTH (16TH) SPECIAL SESSION  
OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD ON OCTOBER 7, 2020 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. Lapid  
S.B. Member Geronimo A. Ciceron  
S.B. Member Mark Lester B. Dizon  
S.B. Member Cris Dayril B. Bagnes  
S.B. Member Arlene P. delos Santos, Liga President  
Secretary Dona T. Alborida  
Ms. Felomina I. Lincallo, LLSO I

Absent : S.B. Member Marlo PJ A. Alipon, (O.B.)  
S.B. Member Mike Dexter A. Concio, (O.B.)  
S.B. Member Jozylyn N. Manansala, SK Fed. President, (O.B.)

Visitors : None

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-161**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE MAYOR CAESAR P. PEREZ TO  
ENTER INTO AND SIGN IN BEHALF OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF  
LOS BAÑOS IN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT (DSWD) FOR  
SUPPORT OF FOOD AND NON-FOOD ITEMS (NFI), ASSISTANCE TO  
INDIVIDUALS IN CRISIS SITUATION (AICS) AND SOCIAL PENSION FOR  
INDIGENT SENIOR CITIZENS (SOCPEN).**

Author : Councilor Miko C. Pelegrina

**WHEREAS,** the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) is the lead agency for social protection, is mandated to work towards the achievement of improved capacity and opportunities of the poor, vulnerable, and disadvantaged individuals, families and communities, to enable them to improve their quality of life;

**WHEREAS,** Social Pension for Indigent Senior Citizens (SocPen) is a government assistance mandated under R.A. 9994 or otherwise known as *Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010*. SocPen is being implemented through the DSWD conducting mass gathering for the payouts;



**WHEREAS**, on 12 March 2020, the Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) per Resolution No. 11, series of 2020, raised the COVID-19 threat to the highest alert level, Code Red Sublevel 2, due to the evidence of sustained community transmission of the disease. Concomitantly, issuances from President Rodrigo Roa Duterte placed the National Capital Region (NCR) and later on, the entire Luzon, under enhanced community quarantine and with Presidential Proclamation No. 929, s. 2020, a State of Calamity was declared all throughout the Philippines. Until recently, LGUs outside of Luzon have been imposing localized community quarantine in their areas of jurisdiction consistent with the approved IATF Resolution setting the parameters therefor;

**WHEREAS**, the imposition of community quarantine and stringent social distancing measures caused severe disruption in the economic activities all over the country and affected the means of livelihood and subsistence of low income households most especially senior citizens, pregnant and lactating women, solo parents, distressed overseas Filipinos, persons with disability, indigenous peoples, underprivileged and homeless families and informal economy workers;

**WHEREAS**, with the passage of Republic Act (RA) No. 11494, otherwise known as the “Bayanihan to Recover as One Act of 2020” dated September 11, 2020 and the issuance of DSWD-DOLE-DTI-DA-DOF-DBM Joint Memorandum Circular No. 1, Series of 2020 or the “Special Guidelines on the Provision of Social Amelioration Measures xxx”, an intensified government response is adopted whereby the concerned national government agencies will provide Emergency Subsidy to low-income households that will be in the form of social amelioration programs;

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the immediately preceding, the DSWD shall ensure the provision of Assistance to Social Pensioners. The payout pertinent to the SocPen Program shall be continued to ensure that the objectives of the program shall be attained during this time when it is most needed by its beneficiaries;

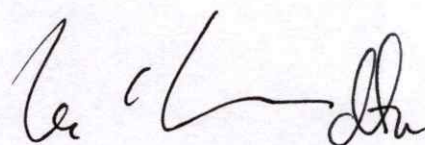
**WHEREAS**, the DSWD is constrained to observe stringent social distancing measures that prohibit the conduct of assemblies or mass gatherings like payouts to the most affected families or households of the areas under community quarantine;

**WHEREAS**, to ensure the provision of social pension subsidy, the LGUs shall be partners of the National Government Agencies, in the expeditious delivery of assistance;

**WHEREAS**, in light of the supervening events, the LGUs and the DSWD shall forge an agreement for the fast delivery of the social amelioration programs including Social Pension;

**WHEREAS**, fund transfer to LGU is identified as one of the best scheme to fast track the payout of SocPen to the beneficiaries, and shall be an interim solution for the current emergency or crisis situation due to COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned premises shall form part of the MOA;



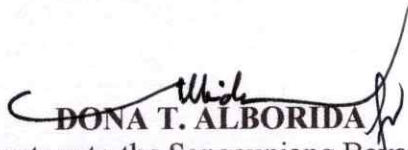
**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Councilor Miko C. Pelegrina duly seconded Councilwoman Josephine S. Evangelista and Councilor Janos S. Lapiz and concurred by all other members present;

**RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, a Resolution authorizing the Honorable Mayor Caesar P. Perez to enter into and sign in behalf of the Municipal Government of Los Baños, in a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) for support of Food and Non-Food Items (NFI), Assistance To Individuals In Crisis Situation (AICS) and Social Pension For Indigent Senior Citizens (SOCPEN).

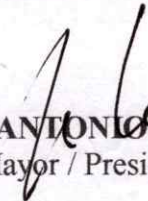
**UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED** : October 7, 2020

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

  
**DONA T. ALBORIDA**  
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

CERTIFIED ADOPTED:

  
**HON. ANTONIO L. KALAW**  
Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer