



EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SECOND (2ND) SPECIAL SESSION OF THE 12TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD ON NOVEMBER 13, 2025 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL, NATIONAL HIGHWAY, BRGY. TIMUGAN, LOS BAÑOS, LAGUNA.

PRESENT:

Hon. Marlo PJ A. Alipon	Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer
Hon. Miko C. Pelegrina	S.B. Member
Hon. Aldous Amiel B. Perez	S.B. Member
Hon. Muriel Laisa B. Dizon	S.B. Member
Hon. Leren Mae M. Bautista	S.B. Member
Hon. Benedicto S. Alborida	S.B. Member
Hon. Rand Edouard R. De Jesus	S.B. Member
Hon. Myla E. Alinsunurin	S.B. Member
Hon. Jay G. Rolusta	S.B. Member
Hon. Gaudencio P. Macatangay	Ex-Officio Member/Liga President- O.B.

ABSENT:

Hon. Samantha Nicole A. Banasihan-Ortega	Ex-Officio Member/SK Federation President- O.B.
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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-209

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF LOS BAÑOS (MGLB) THROUGH THE LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE HONORABLE MAYOR NEIL ANDREW N. NOCON, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH-TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION CENTER BICUTAN (DOH-TRC BICUTAN), A FREE STANDING RESIDENTIAL FACILITY UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WITH ADDRESS AT 5TH ROAD, CAMP BAGONG DIWA, UPPER BICUTAN, TAGUIG CITY AS PARTNER INSTITUTION OF FACILITY WHERE THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF LOS BAÑOS (MGLB) CAN REFER CLIENTS WHO MAY NEED OR REQUIRE A FACILITY-BASED INTERVENTION PROGRAMS TO FACILITATE THEIR RECOVERY FROM ILLEGAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE UNDER THE LINGAP BAYAN PROGRAM.

Author : Councilor  Benedicto S. Alborida

WHEREAS, in his letter dated November 3, 2025, the Local Chief Executive, Honorable Mayor Neil Andrew N. Nocon, respectfully requested authority from this august body to enter into an agreement with the Department of Health-Treatment and Rehabilitation Center Bicutan;

WHEREAS, under Section 75 of RA 9165, otherwise known as the "Comprehensive Dangerous Act of 2002, the Department of Health was task to oversee and monitor the integration, coordination and supervision and all drug rehabilitation, intervention, after-care and follow-up programs, projects and activities as well as the establishment, operations, maintenance and management of privately-owned drug treatment rehabilitation centers;

WHEREAS, it is the mandate of the State to safeguard the well-being of its citizenry and to establish a healthcare system that is affordable and accessible. The use and abuse of illegal drugs, considered as both a law enforcement issue and a healthcare concern, is one of the societal problems which require immediate intervention due to its prevalence. As a response, the government introduced the concept of Community-Based Drug Rehabilitation Program (CBDRP) in all local government units to provide persons who used drugs (PWUDs) easy access to rehabilitation and reintegration programs;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health-Treatment and Rehabilitation Center (DOH-TRC) Bicutan is a government agency mandated to provide quality services for the treatment and rehabilitation of drug dependents, including those with severe cases;

WHEREAS, treatment and rehabilitation are the most humane aspect of the anti-drug campaign as it reintegrates former drug dependents into the society. For Persons Who Use Drugs (PWUDs) with severe drug dependence, DOH-TRC Bicutan serves as a residential treatment facility. While the CBDRP manages most cases at the community level, it provides inpatient admission and intensive therapeutic interventions for those requiring more care than the community can provide;

WHEREAS, Dangerous Drugs Board (DDB) Regulation No. 4, Series of 2020, outlines the guidelines for local government units (LGUs) regarding the oversight and implementation of community-based drug rehabilitation programs (CBDRP) and general interventions (GIs);

WHEREAS, Section 1.A of DDB Board Regulation No. 4 s. 2020 provides that all General Interventions (GIs) and Community-Based Drug Rehabilitation Programs (CBDRPs) implemented by the LGUs or partner agencies and organizations must be documented and certified in compliance with the minimum service requirements provided in the DOH Administrative Orders and relevant DDB regulations;

WHEREAS, the Community-Based Drug Rehabilitation Program (CBDRP) is an integrated model for drug users with moderate risk for drug dependence and/or mild substance use disorder, while the General Intervention (GI) program caters individuals with low-risk substance use issues who can be treated in their own communities or barangays;

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) entered into by LGU-Los Baños and DOH-TRC Bicutan is about to expire on October 24, 2026;

WHEREAS, according to DDB regulations, "if accreditation is not renewed by the expiry date, it will be considered lapsed and its registration will be canceled. The LGU cannot legally continue to operate the CBDRP and provide drug rehabilitation services to Persons Who Use Drugs (PWUDs) in the community. To resume operations, a new application for registration and accreditation is required. The expiration will cause a significant disruption in the continuum of care for PWUDs, as the program can no longer legally function;

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WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is one of the requirements for the DOH certification. An expired certification means the DOH can no longer guarantee that the facility or practitioner is meeting the essential requirements, potentially compromising the safety and effectiveness of the rehabilitation services;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Los Baños, Laguna is committed in addressing the growing concern of drug dependency and implementing a comprehensive drug rehabilitation program within the locality;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Bayan, after thorough discussion, unanimously assented to adopt in toto the good and valuable considerations contained in the MOA of MGLB with the Department of Health-Treatment and Rehabilitation Center Bicutan (DOH-TRC BICUTAN);

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Councilor Benedicto S. Alborida duly seconded by Councilor Miko C. Pelegrina and concurred by all other members present;

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to authorize the Municipal Government of Los Baños through the Local Chief Executive Honorable Mayor Neil Andrew N. Nocon to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Health-Treatment and Rehabilitation Center Bicutan (DOH-TRC BICUTAN), a free standing residential facility under the Department of Health with address at 5th Road, Camp Bagong Diwa, Upper Bicutan, Taguig City as partner institution of facility where the Municipal Government of Los Baños can refer clients who may need or require a facility-based intervention programs to facilitate their recovery from illegal substance abuse under the Lingap Bayan Program.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED : November 13, 2025

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


DONA T. ALBORIDA-DIZON
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

CERTIFIED ADOPTED:


HON. MARLO P. J. ALIPON, MPA, REE, RMP
Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer