REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD LUNGSOD NG BAKOLOD

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Excerpt from the journal of the 66th Regular Session of the 11th Council of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, City of Bacolod held on Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at the Session Hall of Bacolod City Government Center.

Acting Presiding Officer

Floor Leader

PRESENT:

Acting Vice Mayor Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson

Councilor Israel P. Salanga

Councilor Al Victor A. Espino

Councilor Cindy T. Rojas

Councilor Em L. Ang

Councilor Vladimir S. Gonzalez

Councilor Renecito S. Novero

Councilor Claudio Jesus Raymundo A. Puentevella

Councilor Simplicia Z. Distrito

Councilor Celia Matea R. Flor

Councilor Psyche Marie E. Sy

Councilor Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen

Councilor Ayesha Joy Y. Villaflor

OFFICIAL LEAVE:

Councilor Jason Isidro S. Villarosa

RESOLUTION NO. 876 Series of 2023

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITY LEGAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT AND THE BACOLOD ANTI-SMOKING TASK FORCE THROUGH THE CITY MAYOR'S OFFICE TO INTENSIFY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CITY ORDINANCE NO. 962 PROHIBITING THE USE OF E-CIGARETTES IN CERTAIN PLACES AND CITY ORDINANCE 641 REGULATING SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLACES INCLUDING PUBLIC CONVEYANCES, ADVERTISEMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS".

Upon motion of Councilor Em L. Ang, seconded by Acting Vice Mayor Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod

RESOLVED, to pass the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Section 15 of Article 11 of the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines mandates that "The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them". Section 16 further declares that "The State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

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WHEREAS, Section 16 of RA 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that the Local Government Unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 34, series of 2022 reconvened the Bacolod Anti-Smoking Task Force (BASTF) ater it was halted during the pandemic;

WHEREAS, it is well established scientifically that second-hand exposure to inhaled tobacco products causes serious adverse health complications, death and disability;

WHEREAS, intensified implementation of designated smoking and vaping areas in public places that will significantly reduce the exposure and health risk of the general-public to inhaled tobacco products.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to request the City Legal Enforcement Unit and the Bacolod Anti-Smoking Task Force through the City Mayor's Office to intensify the implementation of City Ordinance No. 962 prohibiting the use of E-cigarettes in certain places and City Ordinance 641 regulating smoking in public places including public conveyances, advertisements, promotions and sponsorships of tobacco products".

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative:

Acting Vice Mayor Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson.

Councilors:

Cindy T. Rojas, Em L. Ang, Al Victor A. Espino, Vladimir S. Gonzalez, Renecito S. Novero, Simplicia Z. Distrito, Celia Matea R. Flor, Psyche

Marie E. Sy, Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen, Ayesha Joy Y. Villaflor.

Negative:

None.

Comments:

Councilor Claudio Jesus Raymundo A. Puentevella was not around

when this resolution was passed.

Vice Mayor El Cid M. Familiaran was designated as Acting City

Mayor.

ATTESTED:

ISRAEL P SALANGA Acting Presiding Officer

ATTY. VICENTE C. PETIERRE III Secretary to the Sanggunian

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