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Excerpt from the journal of the 55th Regular Session of the 12th Council of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, City of Bacolod held on Wednesday, July 22, 2026, at the Session Hall of Bacolod City Government Center.

PRESENT:

Vice Mayor Claudio Jesus Raymundo A. Puentevella	Presiding Officer
Councilor Al Victor A. Espino	Floor Leader
Councilor Caesar Z. Distrito	
Councilor Em L. Ang	
Councilor Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson	
Councilor Jason Isidro S. Villarosa	
Councilor Celia Matea R. Flor	
Councilor Roberto M. Rojas	
Councilor Wilson C. Gamboa, Jr.	
Councilor Psyche Marie E. Sy	
Councilor Homer Q. Bais	
Councilor Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen	
Councilor Danna Marie C. Barzo	

OFFICIAL LEAVE:

Councilor Israel P. Salanga
Councilor Dindo C. Ramos

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RESOLUTION NO. 848
Series of 2026

RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING ALL PARENTS AND GUARDIANS IN BACOLOD CITY TO ACTIVELY MONITOR THEIR CHILDREN'S ONLINE ACTIVITIES AND TO ENSURE SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS AND OTHER DEADLY WEAPONS AT HOME IN ACCORDANCE WITH REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION REGULATION ACT".

Upon motion of Councilor Em L. Ang, jointly seconded by Councilors Caesar Z. Distrito, Celia Matea R. Flor, Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen, and Jason Isidro S. Villarosa, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod

RESOLVED, to pass the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the welfare and safety of children is a primary responsibility of parents and guardians under the Family Code of the Philippines and the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child;

WHEREAS, recent reports of security threats in schools nationwide have shown a link to unrestricted access to social media, online violent content, and unsecured firearms within the home environment;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10591, Section 28, provides that firearms and ammunition shall be stored in safes, steel cabinets, or receptacles that provide proper security, and that loss or theft of a registered firearm due to negligence may result in criminal and administrative liability of the owner;

WHEREAS, minors who access violent or extremist content online without supervision are at higher risk of developing aggressive behavior, making threats, or attempting to access weapons;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Bacolod recognizes that school safety cannot be achieved by schools and law enforcement alone, and requires active participation of families and communities;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod City, in session assembled:

SECTION 1. URGENT APPEAL TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS. All parents and guardians residing in Bacolod City are strongly urged to:

1. Monitor Online Activities: Regularly supervise their children's use of social media, messaging apps, online games, and other digital platforms. This includes being aware of accounts, group chats, content being viewed or shared, and any expressions of violence, self-harm, or threats.
2. Promote Responsible Digital Use: Engage children in open conversations about the legal consequences of making threats, bomb jokes, or sharing violent content under Philippine laws.
3. Secure Firearms and Deadly Weapons: In strict compliance with RA 10591, ensure that all legally owned firearms are stored unloaded in a locked safe or steel cabinet, with ammunition stored separately, and kept out of reach of minors. Unlicensed or prohibited weapons must be surrendered to the BCPO immediately.

SECTION 2. SUPPORT MEASURES FROM THE CITY GOVERNMENT

1. DEPED BACOLOD & DSSD: To conduct City-wide "Digital Parenting and Home Safety" seminars in all Barangays and schools, covering online child protection, positive discipline, and RA 10591 compliance.
2. BCPO: To intensify information drives on the penalties for negligent storage of firearms, and to establish a non-punitive firearm safety inspection and voluntary surrender program.
3. PIO BACOLOD: To launch a public awareness campaign using social media, barangay bulletins, and school channels, on firearm safety at home, monitoring of online behavior of minors, and online child protection.

SECTION 3. BARANGAY INVOLVEMENT
All 61 Barangay Councils in Bacolod are enjoined to include firearm safety and online child protection in their Barangay assemblies and BPOC meetings, and to report to the BCPO any information on unsecured firearms or minors in possession of weapons.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to remind all concerned that while the monitoring of online activities is recommendatory in nature, strict compliance with the safe storage of firearms under Republic Act No. 10591 remains mandatory and punishable under existing national laws.

RESOLVED FINALLY, to furnish copies of this Resolution to the Office of the City Mayor, DepEd Schools Division Superintendent Bacolod, Bacolod City Police Office (BCPO), Department of Social Services and Development (DSSD), City Health Office (CHO), Public Information Office (PIO), all Punong Barangays, Parent-Teacher Associations, and Private School Associations for their information, guidance, and wide dissemination.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:
Affirmative:
Councilors : Caesar Z. Distrito, Em L. Ang, Jude Thaddeus A. Sayson, Jason Isidro S. Villarosa, Roberto M. Rojas, Wilson C. Gamboa, Jr., Homer Q. Bais, Psyche Marie E. Sy, Al Victor A. Espino, Lady Gles Gonzales-Pallen, Danna Marie C. Barzo

Negative : None.

Comments : Passed.
Councilor Celia Matea R. Flor was not around when this resolution was passed

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CLAUDIO JESUS RAYMUNDO A. PUENTEVELLA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. VICENTE C. PETIERRE III
Secretary to the Sanggunian

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