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HON. AMADO I. ESPINO III
Governor

Executive Order No. 0012-2020

AN ORDER IMPLEMENTING PREVENTIVE AND SAFETY MEASURES TO ADDRESS THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN

WHEREAS, Proclamation No. 922, Declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines dated March 8, 2020 was signed by President Rodrigo Duterte mandating that all government agencies and LGUs to take necessary measures to curtail the threat brought about by Novel Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19);

WHEREAS, the State is mandated to protect and promote the right to health of people under Article 2, Section 15 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution and LGUs are empowered to exercise necessary, appropriate and incidental powers for efficient governance in promotion of general welfare, as provided by Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as Local Government Code of 1991;

WHEREAS, Provincial Resolution No. 201-2020, dated February 10, 2020 was passed by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Pangasinan in view of DOH Health Advisory signed by Secretary Francisco T. Duque III, urging the public to avoid attending, participating in and organizing events that draw a huge number of attendees due to the ongoing COVID-19 threat;

WHEREAS, the Code Alert System was raised to Code Red Sublevel Two (2) due to increasing number of confirmed cases of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, DOH-DFA-DILG-DOJ-DOLE-DOT-DOTr-DICT Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease issued Resolution No. 11 Series of 2020 dated March 12, 2020 approved the recommendation made by the Department of Health Technical Advisory Group on Imposing Stringent Social Distancing Measures;

WHEREAS, in an Inter-Agency Consultation Meeting on March 13, 2020 attended by various stakeholders to include the Liga Ng Barangay, League of Municipal Mayors, Municipal Health Officers, Department Heads of the Provincial Government of Pangasinan, the PNP, PPODO, DOH, DILG, and DepEd among others, safety measures were discussed to prevent COVID-19 outbreak in the Province of Pangasinan;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, AMADO I. ESPINO, III, Governor of the Province of Pangasinan, Philippines, do hereby direct the following measures:

1. Cancellation of classes in all levels from March 16, 2020 to April 12, 2020 whether public or private, *Provided*, that schools may employ mechanisms so that students can continue to fulfill their educational requirements within the said period, *Provided, further*, that families shall be responsible in ensuring their respective students to remain in their homes during the said period. This cancellation does not in any way, mean the end of the current school year, unless school authorities so declare.

2. Suspension/postponement of school activities which draw crowds or large number of participants or attendees, to include, but not limited to promenades, JS prom, social nights, graduation balls, and foundation day celebrations until further notice.
3. Suspension/postponement of public gatherings in barangays, municipalities, and component cities which draw a large number of people, such as celebration of barangay fiestas and festivities, barangay assemblies, town/city fiestas, reunions, trade fairs, carnivals, balikbayan affairs, concerts, fund raising events, and other public events, until further notice.
4. The private sector is strongly encouraged to enforce preventive and safety measures in corresponding workspaces, e.g. close monitoring of employees, use of thermal scanners, and provisions of alcohols or hand sanitizers in the ingress/egress of work establishments.
5. Mass public transportation i.e. bus companies are required to implement safety measures in terminals and vehicles, including the provision of alcohols or hand sanitizers and usage of thermal scanners upon entry. Passengers with above normal body temperatures and exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 contraction may be denied entry to the public transport. Such passengers shall be referred to the nearest medical centers for diagnosis and treatment.
6. In view of the expected influx of people coming home to the provinces due to the community quarantine imposed in Metro Manila, Barangay Officials and their respective Emergency Response Teams (ERTs) are requested to monitor their constituents who came from Metro Manila for possible contractions of COVID-19.
7. Barangay Officials are likewise requested to produce a list of names of the constituents who came from Metro Manila, as well as from overseas (OFWs). Such list shall be submitted to the corresponding Municipal Health Officers.
8. Visitors and residents of Metro Manila and other provinces, OFWs, and returning balikbayans who recently arrived in the Province are directed to conduct self-quarantine for fourteen (14) days in their respective homes and to avail medical assistance immediately if symptoms of COVID-19 infection is suspected.
9. Immediate reporting of suspected COVID-19 infection is strongly urged. Hotlines of the PHO and PNP are open on a 24-hour basis. However, authors of prank or malicious calls or reports shall be dealt with legally.

This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until subsequently amended/revoked/revised.

Done in Lingayen, Pangasinan, this 13th day of March 2020.


AMADO I. ESPINO, III