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CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the regular session duly constituted of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Pangasinan, held on August 10, 2020 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial ordinance was approved:

Authored by SP Member Margielou Orange D. Humilde-Verzosa

PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 242-2020

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING PUBLIC COMMUTERS AND DRIVERS, AND EMPLOYEES OF BOTH GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE OFFICES INCLUDING COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS TO WEAR FACE SHIELD [ALONG WITH FACE MASK] WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN DURING THE PERIOD OF COMMUNITY QUARANTINE OR UNTIL LIFTED, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF

WHEREAS, face coverings are important tools during this time of public health crisis to reduce or stop the contagion of COVID-19 particularly when used by the general public within a locality;

WHEREAS, Pangasinenses have been adopting the wearing of face masks to protect themselves from getting infected with the virus;

WHEREAS, face shield is a clear plastic face covering that can also play an important role in blocking the virus;

WHEREAS, the wearing of face shield is on top of other health protocols imposed by the national and local authorities such as the wearing of face mask and observance of physical distancing;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Margielou Orange D. Humilde-Verzosa, duly seconded -

Be it ordained by the Province of Pangasinan in Regular Session assembled:

SECTION 1. **Title**. This Ordinance shall be known as the Wearing of Face Shield in the Province of Pangasinan.







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SECTION 2. Scope. All public commuters and drivers, employees of both government and private offices including commercial establishments in the Province of Pangasinan are required to wear face shield at all times.

SECTION 3. Definition of Terms. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms are hereby defined:

- a. Face Shield is a clear plastic shield covering the entire front of face which can serve as a protection or barrier against possible infection from COVID-19.
- b. **Public Commuter** shall refer to a person who travels regularly through a public transportation.
- c. **Public Driver** shall refer to a person whose job is to drive a public utility vehicle.
- d. Commercial Establishments any building or premises used for commercial purposes involving the exchange of services, commodities or financial business such as supermarkets, markets, banks, retail stores, fitness clubs, restaurants and private offices.
- e. **Government Offices** any provincial, city, municipal, or barangay office within Pangasinan.
- f. **Private Offices** any commercial and industrial establishments that are not owned or controlled by the government.
- g. Province of Pangasinan comprising of 44 municipalities and the cities of Alaminos, San Carlos and Urdaneta.

SECTION 3. Penalties. Any person who fails to wear a face shield: a) if public driver or public commuter while inside the public utility vehicle; and b) if employee of both government and private offices while in the performance of one's employment duty, shall be meted out the following penalties:

First (1st) Offense. The offender shall be fined P1,000.00 and/or shall attend to awareness campaigns on COVID-19 for at least three (3) hours as conducted by the barangays and other local government offices.

Second (2nd) Offense. The offender shall be fined P2,500.00 or an imprisonment of not more than thirty (30) days or both at the discretion of the courts.

Third (3^{rd}) and subsequent offenses. The offender shall be fined P5,000.00 or an imprisonment of not more than six (6) months or both at the discretion of the courts.







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SECTION 4. No Contest Provision. Any person apprehended for violation of this Ordinance who does not wish to contest the violation and is willing to pay voluntarily the penalty imposed upon him/her prior to the filing of formal complaint shall be allowed to pay said fine with the Treasurer's Office to avoid being prosecuted.

The violator shall be given seven (7) calendar days from issuance of the Ordinance Violation Receipt within which to pay the fine/penalty, otherwise, a case shall be filed against the violator.

SECTION 5. Enforcement. The Philippine National Police is hereby mandated to enforce the full extent of this Ordinance, as well as Barangay Officials and other force multipliers.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause. – If any section or part of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional, the other sections or provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in full force or effect.

SECTION 7. Repealing Clause. – All other ordinances, orders, issuances, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. Effectivity. This ordinance shall take effect after posting and publication as provided by law.

CERTIFIED BY

VERMAT. NAVA-PEREZ Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

MARK KONALD DG. LAMBINO

Vice Governor (Presiding Officer)

APPROVED:

OO I. ESPINO III Governor

