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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY

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 July 1, 2024 at the Session Hall, Capitol Building, Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:

Authored by SP Member Jerry Agerico B. Rosario

PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 639-2024

INVITING THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – REGIONAL OFFICE I, PROVINCIAL HEALTH OFFICE, PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES OFFICE, OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL VETERINARIAN, AND THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH INSURANCE CORPORATION – REGIONAL OFFICE TO A QUESTION HOUR OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN ON JULY 8, 2024 REGULAR (PHYSICAL) SESSION TO UPDATE THE AUGUST BODY ON THE STATUS OF RABIES INCIDENCES IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AND THE POSSIBLE REMEDIAL MEASURES THEREFOR

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9482 or the Anti-Rabies Act of 2007 provides for the control, prevention of the spread and eventual eradication of human and animal rabies;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 states that every local government unit shall exercise its power to promote the health and safety of its people;

WHEREAS, animal bites and rabies infections are among the continuing public health concerns of the provincial government of Pangasinan;

WHEREAS, the Province, particularly the members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, have been receiving requests for assistance for free rabies vaccine from patients who have been bitten by stray cats and dogs, however, there are no clear guidelines as to where and how they could provide proper assistance to these patients seeing that provincial hospitals sometimes run out of vaccines;

WHEREAS, it is the aim of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to have an adequate supply of rabies vaccines and the possible creation or establishment of an animal bite center in every locality in the Province in order to effectively control the spread of rabies and to ensure the safety of the people of Pangasinan;





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> WHEREAS, there is a need, therefore, to conduct an inquiry to efficiently address the surrounding issues and concerns relating to animal bites and rabies incidences and other possible mitigating measures;

> WHEREAS, the presence of the abovementioned agencies would greatly support the Sanggunian in the enactment of legislative measures to help find solutions for a healthy and free rabies community;

> WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, on motion of SP Member Jerry Agerico B. Rosario, duly seconded, it was -

> **RESOLVED**, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled to invite, as they are hereby invited, the representatives from the Department of Health - Regional Office I. Provincial Health Office, Provincial Hospital Management Services Office, Office of the Provincial Veterinarian, and the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation -Regional Office to a Question Hour of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan on July 8, 2024 Regular (Physical) Session to update the august Body on the status of rabies incidences in the Province of Pangasinan and the possible remedial measures therefor;

> **RESOLVED, FURTHER,** that copies of this resolution be furnished to Dr. Paula Paz M. Sydiongco, Regional Director, Department of Health - Regional Office I; Dr. Ana Ma. Teresa S. De Guzman, Provincial Health Officer II, Provincial Health Office; Dr. Raquel S. Ogov, Medical Officer III, Provincial Hospital Management Services Office; Dr. Arcely G. Robeniol, Provincial Veterinarian, Office of the Provincial Veterinarian, and Regional Vice President Dennis B. Adre, Philippine Health Insurance Corporation -Regional Office, for their information and guidance.

> > CERTIFIED BY:

Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

LD DG. LAMBINO MARK RON

> Vice Governor (Presiding Officer)

