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CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the special session duly constituted of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Pangasinan, held on March 11, 2019 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial ordinance was approved:

Authored by all Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 226-2019

AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE LIGTAS AT AKTIBONG PAMAYANAN (LAP) AS THE LEAD PROGRAM FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 12 (c) (1) of Republic Act No. 10121, otherwise known as the Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010, mandates the local disaster risk reduction and management council to design, program and coordinate disaster risk reduction and management activities;

WHEREAS, Section 12 (c) (4) (10) of the same law also mandates to organize and conduct training, orientation, and knowledge management activities on disaster risk reduction and management at the local level and to disseminate information and raise public awareness about those hazards, vulnerabilities and risks, their nature, effects, early warning signs and counter-measures;

WHEREAS, the Pangasinan Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council has designed and developed a program called *Ligtas at Aktibong Pamayanan (LAP)* which aims to prepare and capacitate communities for disaster risk resiliency;

WHEREAS, the *Ligtas at Aktibong Pamayanan (LAP)* is the flagship program of the Province of Pangasinan on disaster risk reduction and management;





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WHEREAS, there is a need to officially institutionalize the *Ligtas at Aktibong Pamayanan (LAP)* so as to be implemented in all local communities in the Province of Pangasinan as well as to encourage the involvement of all members and sectors of society including government and non-government organizations in mainstreaming disaster risk reduction and management;

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, on motion of all Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, duly seconded,

Be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled that:

SECTION 1. TITLE – This Ordinance shall be known as "An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Ligtas at Aktibong Pamayanan (LAP) as the Lead Program for Disaster Risk Reduction and Management in the Province and Appropriating Funds Therefor and For Other Purposes";

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY – It is the declared policy of the Province of Pangasinan to promote the development of capability and capacity building activities towards achieving a well-prepared community during the occurrence of emergency situations and man-made and natural calamities in the Province.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall have the following objectives:

- 1. To instill the value of volunteerism as a way of showing patriotism to the country by resolving to actively involve the people in their respective communities, especially on areas vulnerable to hazards and risks;
- 2. To raise public awareness on the different specific hazards and risks in the environment; *and*
- 3. To orient and train the public on the basic survival techniques and skills in preparing and responding to life-threatening situations.

SECTION 4. SCOPE AND COVERAGE – The Program shall involve local government units in all cities and municipalities of the Province including non-government organizations, community-based organizations, schools, youth and volunteers to participate on the advocacy program of the Province which aims to capacitate the community on disaster preparedness and awareness.



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SECTION 5. DEFINITION OF TERMS – As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

- a. Institutionalization shall refer to officially establishing the organization and structure of Ligtas at Aktibong Pamayanan (LAP) as the lead program for Disaster Risk Reduction and Management in the Province; and to formally allocate adequate and regular budget for the implementation of the program.
- b. Ligtas at Aktibong Pamayanan shall refer to an advocacy program that aims to strengthen the preparedness and response capacity of the Province for disasters through the provision of audience-specific knowledge and information on Community-Based Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (CDRRM), Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) and other relevant cross-cutting issues and concerns.

The Ligtas at Aktibong Pamayanan has several component programs which shall include, but not limited, to the following: Dunong Kaalaman Kaligtasan (DKK), Ligtas at Aktibong Kabataan (LAK), and First Aid and Basic Life Support Training.

- **SECTION 6. DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS** The Provincial Government of Pangasinan, through the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, shall be the leading department for the implementation of the Ligtas at Aktibong Pamayanan on disaster preparedness program of the Province, which shall formulate the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Program.
- **SECTION 7. FUNDING REQUIREMENTS** The Provincial Government of Pangasinan shall allocate an amount in its Annual Budget to support various activities related to the Program.
- **SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE** If for any reason, any section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid by competent authority, such judgment or action shall not affect or impair the other sections or provisions thereof.
- **SECTION 9. REPEALING CLAUSE -** All ordinances, executive orders, rules and regulations, or part thereof, in conflict with, or inconsistent with any provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.



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SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

CERTIFIED BY

VERNA T. NAVA-PEREZ Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

JOSE FERDINAND X

ALIMLIM, JR.

Vice Governor (Presiding Officer)

APPROVED:

AMADO I. ESPINO III

Governor

