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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 April 8, 2020 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial ordinance was approved:

Authored by SP Member Jeremy Agerico B. Rosario and co-authored by all Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 235-2020

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE MANDATORY WEARING OF FACE MASKS BY ALL PERSONS IN PUBLIC PLACES WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN DURING THE PERIOD OF ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE AND FOR ANY EXTENSION THEREOF

WHEREAS, the Department of the Interior and Local Government has called on Local Government Units to pass an ordinance requiring the public to wear face masks as one of the precautionary measures in preventing the spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, mandatory wearing of face masks whenever the people of Pangasinan are in public places is an additional measure that can be required of them aside from practicing social or physical distancing, staying at home and using of quarantine pass during this period of Enhanced Community Quarantine or so;

WHEREAS, the people of Pangasinan are required to wear face masks in public to help prevent the spread of the virus regardless of whether they have symptoms or not;

WHEREAS, wearing of face masks during this public health crisis is a good sign of health intervention not only to protect the person wearing it but also to protect the people against the droplets coming out of one's respiratory system;

WHEREAS, saving lives through the wearing of face masks is one of the primordial concerns of the Province of Pangasinan;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Jeremy Agerico B. Rosario and co-authored by all Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, duly seconded -



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

SECTION 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the Mandatory Wearing of Face Mask.

SECTION 2. Coverage. All persons within the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Pangasinan are covered by this Ordinance.

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

- a. Face Masks** – any reusable or disposable item made of cloth or any breathable material worn over the nose, mouth and chin which can serve as a protection or barrier against possible infection from COVID-19. These shall include surgical masks, cloth masks, handkerchiefs, washable masks, N95 masks, among others.
- b. Province of Pangasinan** – comprising of 44 municipalities including cities of Alaminos, San Carlos and Urdaneta.

SECTION 4. Mandatory Use of Face Masks. Every person is required to wear face masks at all times, especially when going outside of their residence, at the workplace, when entering government buildings and offices and while in public places. This requirement shall be followed during the period of Enhanced Community Quarantine and for any extension thereof and/or while there is a continuing local or community transmission within the Province of Pangasinan.

SECTION 5. Compliance in Private Commercial Establishments. To effectively promote and encourage compliance to this Ordinance, all private commercial establishments operating in the Province of Pangasinan shall (i) conspicuously display at or near the entrance of the establishment a full copy of this Ordinance, and (ii) strictly prohibit entry of any person who is not wearing a face mask or an equivalent thereof in the establishment.

SECTION 6. Penalties. Any person who fails to wear a face mask shall be meted out the following penalties:

First (1st) Offense. The offender shall attend community service or awareness campaigns on COVID-19 for at least three (3) hours as conducted by the barangays and other local government offices.

Second (2nd) Offense and subsequent offenses. The offender shall be monitored and strictly prohibited from leaving his or her residence during the remaining period of the enhanced community quarantine or any extension thereof, except for an emergency medical situation or when in imminent danger.



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SECTION 7. Information and Educational Campaign. The Provincial Health Office, in coordination with Public Information Office and non-government organizations, shall disseminate information on the requirements of this Ordinance to the public immediately upon effectivity of this Ordinance.

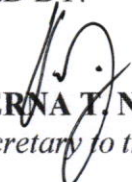
SECTION 8. Enforcement. The Philippine National Police is hereby mandated to enforce the full extent of this Ordinance, as well as Barangay Officials and other force multipliers.

SECTION 9. 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 10. 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 11. Effectivity. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

CERTIFIED BY:


VERNA T. NAVA-PEREZ
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


MARK RONALD DG. LAMBINO
Vice Governor
(Presiding Officer)

APPROVED:


AMADO I. ESPINO III
Governor