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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY

Introduced by SP Member Conrado P. Gubatan

May 3, 1996

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

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 May 3, 1996 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial ordinance was approved:

PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 53-96

SUBJECT: BANNING AND PENALIZING THE CUTTING AND SELLING OF BAMBOO SHOOTS IN PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTIES.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

There is an unabated and prevalent cutting and selling of Bamboo shoots in the province of Pangasinan. The resulting effect of this indiscriminate cutting of bamboo shoots is the unwarranted diminution of the supply of bamboos, which is a non-timber forest product that supports the large and small-scale industries of Pangasinan.

Bamboo arrests soil erosion, stabilizes river banks, improves the environment and thrives in a wide range of sites. Bamboo is a suitable reforestation species that can provide both environmental protection to watershed areas and livelihood in the upland communities. It grows readily on cogonal areas, survives summer drought and grass fire, and develops a forestlike canopy rapidly. When grown up to maturity, it can sustain and an annual harvest which can profitably return the cost of investment. Bamboo also makes good material for house construction, furniture, fishing gear, banana crops, musical instruments and for pulp and paper manufacture.

This ordinance will help ensure a stable supply of raw material for bamboo-based industries of the province since it will punish the unscrupulous persons



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who cause the serious depletion of the provinces vegetative cover, which in turn upsets the ecological balance in the localities, resulting in flooding and soil erosion.

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Conrado P. Gubatan, co-authored by SP Members Alfonso C. Bince, Jr. and Dionisio C. Antiniw, duly seconded, it was resolved as it is hereby resolved to adopt the following Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO CUT AND SELL BAMBOO SHOOTS AND IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF

Section 1. It is unlawful for any person to cut and sell bamboo shoots or to allow the cutting and selling of bamboo shoots irrespective of whether the source of bamboo shoots is public or private property.

Section 2. Any violation of this Ordinance shall suffer the following penalties:

First-time violator/s - a fine of ₱1,000.00;

Second-time violator/s - a fine of ₱2,000.00 and/or imprisonment from one to thirty (1-30) days;

Third-time violator/s - a fine of ₱2,500.00 and/or imprisonment of thirty to ninety (30-90) days.

Section 3. All persons with bamboo plantation/s shall report the extent of their plantation/s to the Municipal Agriculture Office in their localities.

They shall be penalized according to Section 2 if they fail to report the same.

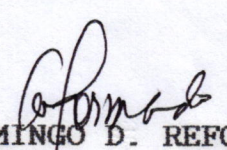


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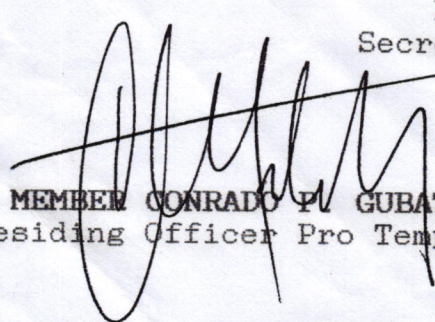
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Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect after a copy hereof shall have been posted at prominent places in the Provincial Capitol and Municipal/City/Barangay Hall for a minimum of three (3) consecutive weeks and published thrice in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province for a period of two (2) consecutive weeks.


DOMINGO D. REFORMADO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


SP MEMBER CONRADO P. GUBATAN
Presiding Officer Pro Tempore

APPROVED:

OSCAR M. ORBOS
Governor