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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 October 7, 2019 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:

Authored by SP Member Jeremy Agerico B. Rosario

PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 551-2019

DECLARING MR. ROGER ERPELO AS *PERSONA NON GRATA* IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN

WHEREAS, the Province of Pangasinan has reported a case of African Swine Fever during the last week of September and it began with the identification of infected hogs from Bulacan Province surreptitiously transported by Mr. Roger Erpelo to the Province, particularly in Barangay Baloling, Mapandan, Pangasinan, his place of residence, through arterial entry routes despite quarantine checkpoints;

WHEREAS, although African Swine Fever is not considered transmissible to humans, it is highly contagious to pigs and it can be transmitted through transport and direct contact with infected animals and consumption of contaminated food products;

WHEREAS, what happened in Mapandan is indeed an unfortunate incident as 15 swine turned positive with African Swine Fever and which resulted to the culling of numerous swine within the area in compliance to the 1-7-10 kilometer radius protocol being implemented by the Department of Agriculture in managing, containing and controlling African Swine Fever nationwide;

WHEREAS, Mr. Roger Erpelo has clearly violated Executive Order Nos. 0080-2019 and 0092-2019 issued by the Province of Pangasinan prohibiting the entry of swine from other provinces into the territorial jurisdiction of the Province to prevent the possible spread of African Swine Fever;

WHEREAS, Mr. Roger Erpelo has likewise defied the provision of the 2012 Revenue Code of the Province of Pangasinan by not securing and paying the Veterinary Health Certificate/Shipped-in Permit/Inspection fee before bringing the swine into the Province to attest to the fact that the swine are all healthy;







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WHEREAS, as a consequence of Mr. Roger Erpelo's inappropriate action, the Province of Pangasinan is now listed as one of the Provinces where live pigs and meat pork products are banned by other Provinces;

WHEREAS, the efforts made by Mr. Roger Erpelo in bringing into the Province the infected swine from Bulacan have caused a lot of stress and economic losses to the populace, especially hog raisers;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan is compelled to declare Mr. Roger Erpelo as *persona non grata* in the Province of Pangasinan because of his selfishness, irresponsibleness and insensitiveness of bringing into the Province ASF infected swine from Bulacan;

NOW, THEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, on motion of SP Member Jeremy Agerico B. Rosario, duly seconded, it was –

RESOLVED, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled to declare, as he is hereby declared, Mr. Roger Erpelo as *Persona Non Grata* in the Province of Pangasinan;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be furnished to Honorable Governor Amado I. Espino III, Province of Pangasinan, and Mr. Roger Erpelo at Barangay Baloling, Mapandan, Pangasinan, for their information and guidance.

CERTIFIED BY:

VERNA T. NAVA-PEREZ Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

MARK KONALD DG. LAMBINO

Vice Governor (Presiding Officer)



