OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 14**

Series of 2020

AN ORDER IMPOSING IN THE ENTIRE MUNICIPALITY OF DUPAX DEL NORTE THE MANDATORY WEARING OF FACE MASK, EARLOOP MASKS, INDIGENOUS, REUSABLE OR DO-IT-YOURSELF MASKS, FACE SHIELDS, HANDKERCHIEFS, OR SUCH OTHER PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT THAT CAN EFFECTIVELY LESSEN THE TRANSMISSION OF COVID-19 WHENEVER ALLOWED TO GO OUT OF THEIR RESIDENCES PURSUANT TO EXISTING GUIDELINES ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT.

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization declared a pandemic on the spread of the Covid19 virus infection;

**WHEREAS**, President Duterte issued Presidential Proclamation 922 to put the country in a State of Public Health Emergency in relation to National Security;

**WHEREAS**, President Duterte issued Presidential Proclamation 929 and declared a State of Calamity in the entire country for a period of six months;

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 also known as the Local Government Code provides that within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and promote health and safety, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

**WHEREAS**, with the alarming and supervening events in Nueva Vizcaya, it becomes necessary to supplement existing quarantine guidelines and impose stricter measures for this purpose, prevent the entry and spread of Covid-19 and ensure the safety and protection of all the inhabitants of the municipality.

WHEREAS, as per Memorandum dated April 2, 2020 with subject Mandatory Wearing of Face Mask citing paragraph "J" of IATF Resolution No. 18 quoted, "For areas placed under Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ), the IATF adopts the policy of mandatory wearing by all residents of face mask, earloop masks, indigenous, reusable or do-it-yourself masks, face shields, handkerchiefs, or such other protective equipment that can effectively lessen the transmission of COVID-19, whenever allowed to go out of their residences pursuant to existing guidelines issued by the national government".

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIMOTHY JOSEPH E. CAYTON**, Municipal Mayor of Dupax del Norte, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the imposition of mandatory wearing of face mask by all residents of the Municipality of Dupax del Norte.

## SECTION 1. MANDATORY WEARING OF FACE MASK

As part of the precautionary and safety measures against COVID-19, mandatory wearing of face mask is hereby imposed in the Municipality of Dupax del Norte upon the effectivity of this Order until April 14, 2020 or the Enhanced Community Quarantine in the entire Luzon has been lifted and/or revoked, whichever is earlier.

The person found violating this Order shall be held liable for Art. 151 of the Revised Penal Code which is **Resistance and disobedience to a person in authority or the agents of such person** – The penalty of *arresto mayor* and a fine not exceeding 500 pesos shall be imposed upon any person who not being included in the provisions of the preceding articles shall resist or seriously disobey any person in authority, or the agents of such person, while engaged in the performance of official duties.

This is without prejudice to the filing of other criminal charges under relevant/related penal laws.

**SECTION 2. ENFORCEMENT.** The Philippine National Police is hereby directed to implement the full extent of this Order.

**SECTION 3. EFFECTIVITY**. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2020 in Dupax del Norte, Nueva Vizcaya, Philippines.

HON. TIMOTHY JOSEPH E. CAYTON, J.D.

Municipal Mayor