



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF ISABELA  
City of Ilagan

*Office of the Governor*

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 03 - 2019**

**DECLARING FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 AS SPECIAL NON-WORKING DAY IN THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA, AND FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING DAY IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA TO ENSURE PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY DURING THE VISIT OF HIS MOST REVEREND EXCELLENCY GABRIELE GIORDANO CACCIA, APOSTOLIC NUNCIO TO THE PHILIPPINES, FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE NEW BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF ILAGAN, AND TO DEMONSTRATE THE HIGHEST COURTESY AND RESPECT TO THE AMBASSADOR OF THE HOLY SEE IN THE INDEPENDENT CITY-STATE OF VATICAN CITY**

**Whereas**, it is the policy of the State to ensure that Filipino heritage and culture are cultivated and promoted;

**Whereas**, Filipinos have a well-established tradition of celebrating cultural events and activities marking milestones and achievements;

**Whereas**, the province of Isabela is a cultural melting pot where peoples of diverse faiths and philosophies, customs, traditions, and backgrounds co-exist and live happy, productive lives;

**Whereas**, the Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI) recognizes the contributions of the religious sector in moral development and in the maintenance of peace and order in the province, and is supportive of the undertakings of all religious congregations;

**Whereas**, on February 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019, the Catholic community in Isabela and Region 2 shall welcome the Permanent Representative of the Pope of the Catholic Church, His Most Reverend Excellency **Gabriele Giordano Caccia**, Apostolic Nuncio to the Philippines and Dean of the Diplomatic Corps, who shall lead the Canonical Installation of His Most Reverend David William Valencia Antonio, D.D., as the new Bishop of the Diocese of Ilagan, at the Cathedral of St. Michael The Archangel in Gamu, Isabela;

**Whereas**, the Apostolic Nuncio is the Ambassador to the Philippines of the Holy See, the universal government of the Catholic Church which operates out of the independent city-state of Vatican City in Italy, and deserves the highest courtesy and respect from the Provincial Government and the people of Isabela;

**Whereas**, the Visit of the Apostolic Nuncio and the Canonical Installation of His Most Reverend Antonio are key milestones for the Catholic Church that will gather bishops, a huge number of priests and other Church Leaders in Isabela and across the Philippines, and a massive crowd of Catholics who are eager to participate in or witness the event;

**Whereas**, the Visit and activities of the Apostolic Nuncio necessitate the firming up of security and public safety plans as well as government support for the orderly and smooth holding of the events;

**Whereas**, the hosting of the Papal Nuncio by the Provincial Government of Isabela entails the cancellation of work within the PGI on February 11<sup>th</sup>, to ensure the support, initiative, and focus of the PGI workforce for the seamless conduct of the Welcome Rites, the State Dinner, and other activities within the PGI Compound;

**NOW, THEREFORE I, FAUSTINO G. DY III**, Governor of the Province of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare **FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 AS SPECIAL**

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This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Let copies of this Order be provided to all PGI and government offices, business organizations, and individuals concerned in the province of Isabela.

Issued this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.

  
FAUSTINO G. DY III  
