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TO : ALL LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVES

FROM : 
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Governor

RE : As Stated

DATE : February 6, 2020

To decrease the probability that 2019-nCoV ARD virus will reach our province and to prevent the spread of such virus in case of infection from our constituents, particularly those who had history of travel from countries covered by the travel ban, all LCEs are hereby requested to strictly apply stringent measures to intensify all efforts and implement every necessary programs such as but not limited to the performance of the following:

- a. Act as Anti- Corona Virus Information Manager, Local Crisis Manager and Environmental Health Manager (Please refer to DILG Memo No. 2020-18 and hereto attached)
- b. On Containment and Control
 - Receive a copy of record directly from Bureau of Immigration and other sources on persons arriving from an affected country and send it immediately to the Punong Barangay(PB) for monitoring and surveillance. Activate your Barangay Intelligence Network for information gathering in case no list is available.
 - Monitor the measures and actions taken by the PB and the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team(BHERT) in the prevention, containment and control of the virus;
 - Provide logistical assistance;
 - Direct the C/MHO to supervise the BHERTs and submit report to the Regional Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit on the outcome of home confinement;

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- Refer, and transport, a suspected patient to the DOH designated coronavirus referral center or hospital;
- Order the PNP to effect the compulsory home confinement of persons arriving from a virus- affected country who violate home confinement to complete the 14 day period required in case the Barangay fails to impose the required period of confinement;
- Extend appropriate assistance and support to those in home confinement, depending on the latter's capability and actual needs.

c. On Prevention

- In coordination with DOH or IPHO, as the case maybe, train City or Municipal Health Workers especially hospital or rural health personnel in handling and managing suspected patients;
- In coordination with DOH or IPHO, as the case maybe, provide training to your local health unit, BHERT and Tanods on coronavirus prevention, containment and control;
- In coordination with DOH, PNP, IPHO, as the case maybe, provide training to your local health unit, BHERT and Tanods in enforcing the 14- day home confinement procedures for persons arriving from affected countries;
- Conduct a city or municipal- wide information campaign on coronavirus prevention, containment and control;
- Coordinate with PBs in the conduct of a clean- up campaign;
- Monitor prices of medicines and preventive gadgets, and file against hoarding and overpricing.

Being our constituencies' first line of defense, we should do all means necessary to prevent this phenomenon from endangering our communities, please be guided by the informations disseminated by our health authorities and see to it that your LGU have this situation under control. Be reminded that any misinformation regarding coronavirus will create panic among the citizenry and will even lead to social unrest if we allow wrong informations to proliferate. In this case, extra diligence must be observed in discharging any information regarding 2019-nCoV ARD.

Pursuant to DILG Memorandum no. 2020-18 and in line with our mandate under Section 15, Article 2 of the Philippine Constitution, and Section 16 of RA 7160 or the General Welfare Clause, you are mandated to take the lead in the prevention and control of this viral disease.

Your preferential attention regarding this matter is hereby enjoined.