



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
 City of Ilagan

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 14

ENJOINING ALL LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVES IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA TO CREATE *ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (E.N.R.O.)* POSITIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND FACILITATE THE APPOINTMENT OF ONE ENRO PER LGU TO COORDINATE AND ENSURE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL ENVIRONMENT LAWS, PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL POLICIES

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, the State grants that a clean and healthy environment is for the benefit of all and should therefore be the concern of all, and towards this end, the State recognizes that cleaning the habitat and environment is primarily area-based and it is the primary responsibility of local government units (LGUs) to deal with environmental problems;

WHEREAS, national laws, most notably Republic Act 8749, otherwise known as "The Clean Air Act of 1999," RA 9003, otherwise known as the "Solid Waste Management Act," and RA 9275, otherwise known as the "Philippine Clean Water Act," all underscore the critical role of local government units and outline LGU participation in implementing environment laws and pursuing ecological initiatives, with RA 8749 providing for the creation of an ENRO in every province, city, and municipality, to be headed by an appointee of the local chief executive (LCE) in accordance with Section 484 of the Local Government Code, or, in the absence of an ENR Office, the LCE may designate a head of office who has sufficient experience in environmental management, conservation, and utilization ;

WHEREAS, the unstoppable industrial growth and heightened economic activity in recent decades have been found to have impacted negatively on the natural environment, and aggravated the effects of Climate Change for which every Filipino is now encouraged to prepare, and because of which, the national government has instituted policies for LGU capacity-building and for preparedness, mitigation, and rehabilitation measures;



WHEREAS, the existing environment and environment-related conditions warrant the **assertiveness** of LGUs in institutionalizing measures to ensure that all environment laws and programs are implemented in all levels of governance, as well as **their recognition** that the same is an integral part of disaster preparedness and mitigation;

WHEREAS, the creation of an ENR Office and the appointment or designation of an ENR Officer in every city and municipality will ensure the presence of an accountable office and officer who will take the lead in the implementation of all environment laws, preparation of plans and programs of action, provision of technical support to LCEs, coordination with other government offices and non-government organizations;

Now therefore, I, **RODOLFO T. ALBANO III**, Governor of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue this Order **ENJOINING ALL LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVES IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA TO CREATE *ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (E.N.R.O.)* POSITIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND FACILITATE THE APPOINTMENT OF ONE ENRO PER LGU TO COORDINATE AND ENSURE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL ENVIRONMENT LAWS, PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL POLICIES.**

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 11th day of March 2020 in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
 Governor 

Nagkaisa para sa Isabela