



Republic of the Philippines  
**PROVINCE OF ISABELA**  
City of Ilagan

## *Office of the Governor*

### **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 06** Series of 2020

#### **DECLARING THE 30th OF JANUARY 2020, THURSDAY, AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING DAY IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA TO ENSURE FULL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE CELEBRATION OF THE 2020 BAMBANTI FESTIVAL**

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

**Whereas**, the Province of Isabela has a well-established tradition of celebrating the annual Bambanti Festival in thanksgiving for the Isabeleños' consistently rich agricultural harvest and to celebrate the diligence, resilience, and vigilance that characterize the Isabela farmer and established Isabela as the country's Number One corn producer and biggest rice surplus producer;

**Whereas**, the Bambanti Festival is an Aliw Award HALL OF FAMER for Best Festival Performance and Practice (2015, 2016, & 2017) and for the year 2020, the Provincial Government of Isabela is celebrating the Bambanti Festival from the 27th to the 31st of January 2020;

**Whereas**, this year's celebration shall feature the Bambanti Festival Village where much-awaited local goods, native delicacies, ornaments, and other precious finds are on sale or exhibit in agro-tourism booths; the Queen Isabela pageant; Giant Bambanti competitions, street dancing showdown, the "Makan Ken Mainum" cookfest showcasing the local fare, and concert parties showcasing popular performers and fireworks;



**Whereas**, it is a yearly undertaking of the Provincial Government to encourage all Isabeleños to participate and/ or witness the many cultural and trade activities conducted during the Festival, and help the local government in creating national awareness about the Bambanti Festival in the province of Isabela;

**Whereas**, it is the intent of the Provincial Government to afford Isabeleño families the opportunity to get together during the celebration of the Bambanti Festival and create family environments that breed culture-minded youth and promote the cultivation of the local culture and heritage;

**NOW, THEREFORE I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III**, Governor of the Province of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the 30<sup>th</sup> of January 2020, Thursday, as a Special Non-Working Day in the Province of Isabela to ensure full public participation in the celebration of the BAMBANTI FESTIVAL.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 27th day of January, 2020 in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.

  
RODOLFO T. ALBANO III 

*Nagkaisa para sa Isabela*