

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. Series of 2020

DIRECTING ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS THE STRICT ENFORCEMENT OF RA NO. 9003 AND ENJOINING THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO BE VIGILANT IN REPORTING IMPROPER DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE, ANIMAL CARCASSES AND OTHER FORMS OF UNCLEANLINESS TO PROPER AUTHORITIES AND OFFENDERS SHALL BE SUBJECTED TO SANCTIONS AND PENALTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING LAWS AND ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, Republic Act 9003, otherwise known as Ecological Waste Management Act of 2000 was enacted declaring the policy of the government to "adopt a systematic, comprehensive, and ecological solid waste management program.";

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code stipulates that the provision of basic services and facilities shall be provided by the Local Government Units. The services include the provision of solid waste disposal system or environmental management system and services or facilities related to general hygiene and sanitation;

WHEREAS, Executive Order no. 29- 2020 was issued by the Governor to respond to the urgent need for a stringent measures to cope with the resurgence of African Swine Fever (ASF) in the province and to safeguard the province's swine industry as well as to protect the general public from the continuing threat of these disease;

WHEREAS, as the mortality rate of swine in affected areas increases, there is an alarming incidence of animal carcasses particularly hogs/swine that are being dumped or thrown indiscriminately on irrigation canals, rivers, waterways, waste outlets and drainage for easy disposal by irresponsible animal raisers, endangering public health and the environment;

WHEREAS, in line with the State of Public Health Emergency imposed throughout the Philippines, and a safety measures implemented to avoid infection from Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) pandemic, proper disposal of used face masks and face shield should be observed;

WHEREAS, the waste disposal in the province might deteriorate to a critical level for one reason or another, foremost among which is lack of discipline and collective action among the citizenry in properly disposing of garbage, carcasses, filth, and other waste matters if no united actions will be done by concerned LGU and the public;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for all Local Government Units to address anew these particular waste disposal problems in their area of responsibility and to awaken among the citizenry the self-discipline and collective action needed to solve this current socio-environmental problem for the good of the province;





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 directing all local government units the strict enforcement of RA No. 9003 and enjoining the general public to be vigilant in reporting improper disposal of garbage, animal carcasses and other forms of uncleanliness to proper authorities and offenders shall be subjected to sanctions and penalties in accordance with existing laws and ordinances.

FURTHER, all citizens and residents of the province; all universities, colleges and schools and other similar institutions, private as well as public; all commercial and industrial establishments such as hotels, restaurants, hospitals, cinema houses, public markets, department stores, groceries and the like; all public conveyances; all residential houses; and all other establishments of any kinds, shall undertake the cleaning of their own surroundings, their yards and gardens, as well as the canals, roads or streets in their immediate premises. All garbage, filth and other waste matters including proper disposal of face mask and face shield, shall be placed in the proper and designated receptacles for the disposition and incineration thereof by garbage disposal teams/collectors; carcasses and culling of disease- infected animals shall be buried in the mortality pit and shall be done outright in accordance with required procedures and standards set forth. The general public is encouraged to be vigilant and utilize any technology and means available to report to proper authorities any person, who shall litter or throw garbage, carcasses, filth, or other waste matters including face mask and face shields in public places, such as roads, irrigation canals, esteros, waterways, rivers, parks and vacant spaces.

FURTHERMORE, the following authorities concerned are directed to ensure the application of all laws, ordinances, and other issuances in the implementation of this Order, viz;

All Local Chief Executives

PCOL James M Cipriano- Provincial Director, IPPO

For. Geronimo P. Cabaccan, Jr- Environment and Natural Resources Officer- Isabela

Dr. Angelo C. Naui- Provincial Veterinarian

Dr. Nelson O. Paguirigan- Isabela Provincial Health Officer

Dr. Ricmar P. Aquino- President, Isabela State University

SDS Alfredo B. Gumaru, Jr. - School Division Office, Cauayan City

SDS Gilbert N. Tong- School Division Office, City of Ilagan

SDS Madelyn L. Macalling- School Division Office, Isabela

All Local Environment and Natural Resources Officers

All Chief of Hospitals

All City/ Municipal Health Officers

Provincial/City/ Municipal ASF Task Force

All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

If any part or provision of this Executive Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected shall remain in force.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this <u>7th</u> day of <u>September, 2020</u> in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.





