

## Office of the Governor

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 33**

Series of 2022

SUSPENDING CLASSES IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN ALL LEVELS AND SUSPENSION OF WORK IN ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND ALL GOVERNMENT BANKING INSTITUTIONS IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA ON AUGUST 23, 2022 TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL ISABELEÑOS FROM THE EXPECTED EFFECTS OF SEVERE TROPICAL STORM "FLORITA"

**WHEREAS,** it is the policy of the State to uphold the people's constitutional right to life and property by addressing the root causes of vulnerabilities to disasters, strengthening the country's institutional capacity for disaster risk reduction and management (DRRM) and building the resilience of local communities to disasters, including climate change impacts;

**WHEREAS,** Severe Tropical Storm "Florita" is expected to dump moderate to severe rainfall within its 600 Km. radius, and is expected to cause flooding in low- lying areas and along the province's major river systems and tributaries, making several overflow bridges unpassable;

**WHEREAS**, according to the latest weather bulletin by PAGASA Severe Tropical Storm "Florita" is expected to make landfall between Isabela- Cagayan and will bring occasional moderate to severe rainfall in the area starting Tuesday, 23 August 2022;

**WHEREAS**, for the past few days continuous rains have caused rivers to swell, flooding low-lying areas and resulting in near-submerged bridges and causing fears of erosion and landslides in areas in Isabela;

**WHEREAS**, RA 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, empowers the Governor to carry out emergency measures as may be necessary during and in the aftermath of disasters and calamities:

**WHEREAS**, it is the duty of the Provincial Government of Isabela to ensure the safety of all residents of Isabela, to prevent accidents or any untoward incidents at the onset and during typhoons;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Governor of the Province of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Law, and in view of the foregoing, do hereby issue this Order SUSPENDING CLASSES IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN ALL LEVELS AND SUSPENSION OF WORK IN ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND ALL GOVERNMENT BANKING INSTITUTIONS IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA ON AUGUST 23, 2022 TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL ISABELEÑOS FROM THE EXPECTED EFFECTS OF SEVERE TROPICAL STORM "FLORITA".

**However,** all *government hospitals and offices* whose functions involve the delivery of basic health services, calamity response/preparedness measures, and other vital public services including but not limited to the Police, Army, Communications, rescue and emergency response units, PDRRMO, Public Safety Office, PSWDO, Provincial Jail and Provincial Security Group shall continue to operate with optimal efficiency.

Let all heads of all schools, local government and national government agencies including all government banking institutions in Isabela be furnished copies of this Executive Order.

Issued this 23rd day of August 2022 in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.

RODOLFO T. ALBANO III

Governor

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