



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan
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Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 115th REGULAR SESSION OF THE 11th SANGGUNIANG
PANLALAWIGAN OF ISABELA HELD AT PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, ILAGAN CITY, ISABELA
ON JANUARY 14, 2025.

PRESENT:

FAUSTINO G. DY III	Vice Governor & Presiding Officer
DELFINITO EMMANUEL L. ALBANO	Member (1st District) & Floor Leader
EMMANUEL JOSELITO B. AÑES	Member (1st District)
ED CHRISTIAN S. GO	Member (2nd District)
EDGAR R. CAPUCHINO	Member (2nd District)
MARY GRACE D. ARREOLA	Member (3rd District)
RAMON JUAN N. REYES, JR.	Member (3rd District)
CLIFFORD R. RASPADO	Member (4th District)
VICTOR G. DY	Member (4th District)
MANUEL FAUSTINO U. DY	Member (5th District)
EDWARD S. ISIDRO	Member (5th District)
MARCO PAOLO A. MERIS	Member (6th District)
AMADOR A. GAFFUD, JR.	Member (6th District)
ANTONIO S. HUI	Member, PCL Federation President
MARIA KATRINA JESSICA G. DY	Member, LnB Federation President
CATHERINE JOY L. LEGASPI	Member, SK Federation President

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-02-05 Series of 2025

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE GOVERNOR, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, TO REPRESENT THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA AND FILE A REQUEST FOR A CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION FOR THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA'S SOCIAL WELFARE AND SERVICES PROJECTS FROM THE COMMISSION ON ELECTION (COMELEC) FOR THE 2025 NATIONAL AND BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM) PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

Sponsor: HON. MARIA KATRINA JESSICA G. DY
Committee on Social Welfare

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI) adheres to and supports the rules and regulations set forth by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC);

WHEREAS, Article IX (C) Section 2 of the 1987 Constitution mandates the COMELEC to enforce and administer laws and regulations relative to the conduct of elections, plebiscites, initiatives, referendums and recalls, particularly in the upcoming National and Local Elections, and Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) Parliamentary Elections;

WHEREAS, the COMELEC issued Resolution No. 11060 prescribing for the rules and regulations on the prohibition against the release, disbursement, or expenditure of public funds for social services and housing-related projects, and issuance of treasury warrants

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and similar devices under sections 261 (v) and (w) of the omnibus election code in connection with the May 12, 2025 national and local elections, and BARMM parliamentary elections;

WHEREAS, the said resolution prohibits the release, disbursement, or expenditure of public funds for social welfare and services starting March 28, 2025, for a period of 45 days, to ensure impartiality and avoid undue influence during the elections;

WHEREAS, the PGI is currently implementing significant programs, projects, and activities (PPAs) in the province, particularly in health and social welfare assistance, and seeks to ensure the continuity of these services during the election period;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Isabela intends to seek an exemption from the prohibition to ensure the uninterrupted implementation of its regular and long-established PPAs, including but not limited to the following:

1. Bojie-Rodito Opportunities (BRO) Scholarship Program
2. BRO LUSOG (Laban sa Undernutrition, sa Sakit, Obesity at Gutom) Feeding Program
3. Isabela Recovery Initiatives to Support Enterprise (I-RISE)
4. Grants, donations and subsidies of the Office of the Governor
5. Tobacco Excise Tax Distribution as a subsidy to tobacco farmers, livelihood assistance, and financial assistance to tobacco farmers;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Isabela (PGI) upholds the rules and regulations of the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) while prioritizing the uninterrupted delivery of vital social services, particularly to the underprivileged, during the election period;

WHEREAS, the PGI seeks to file a request for exemption from COMELEC's prohibitions to ensure continuous access to healthcare and other essential services for every Isabeleño, safeguarding critical programs from disruption during the election period;

WHEREAS, under Section 465 (b) (vi) of R. A. No. 7160, the Governor is empowered to represent the Province in all its transactions and sign on its behalf all contracts and such other documents upon the issuance of an authority by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan;

WHEREAS, premises considered, upon motion of Honorable Maria Katrina Jessica G. Dy, duly approved and seconded in a session duly assembled, it was –

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, TO PASS A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE GOVERNOR, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, TO REPRESENT THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA AND FILE A REQUEST FOR A CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION FOR THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA'S SOCIAL WELFARE AND SERVICES PROJECTS FROM THE COMMISSION ON ELECTION (COMELEC) FOR THE 2025 NATIONAL AND BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM) PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS.

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RESOLVED FINALLY, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Governor, Hon. Rodolfo T. Albano III, for his guidance, information and appropriate action.

Approved and Adopted, January 14, 2025.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS
of the foregoing Resolution:**

ATTY. FRANCIS JAMES E. MEER
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

ATTESTED/ APPROVED:

FAUSTINO G. DY III
Vice Governor & Presiding Officer