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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16

**PROVIDING FOR A UNIFIED STRATEGY IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
MANDATORY PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AGAINST COVID-19**

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, through Proclamation No. 922 declared a State of Public Health Emergency Throughout the Philippines, and has ordered all local government units to "render full assistance and cooperation, and mobilizing necessary measures to undertake critical, urgent, and appropriate response and measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate the Covid-19 threat";

WHEREAS, Section 16 or the General Welfare Clause of the Local Government Code of 1991 gives local government units the authority to exercise powers necessary for efficient and effective governance and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

WHEREAS, the Inter Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease through Resolution NO. 11, Series of 2020 dated March 12, 2020 raised the Code Alert System for COVID19 public health event to Code Red Sub level 2;

WHEREAS, a multi-stakeholders meeting Dep-Ed, DILG, PNP and other national agencies, municipal offices and sectoral representatives was called by the Mayor last March 13, 2020 to discuss the requirements and implications of the Declaration of the State of National Health Emergency;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government issued EO No. 12, Series of 2020 placing the province of La Union under Community Quarantine and further enhancing the implementation of Mandatory Precautionary Measures against COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the DILG issued a March 14, 2020-Advisory on the implementation of community quarantine by virtue of a Memo of the DILG Executive



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Secretary on the stringent social distancing measures and further guidelines for the management of the coronavirus disease;

WHEREAS, the declaration of the State of Public Health Emergency capacitates LGUs to immediately act to prevent loss of life, utilize appropriate resources to implement urgent and critical measures to contain or prevent the spread of COVID-19, mitigate its effects and impacts to community, and prevent serious disruption of the functioning of the government and the community;

WHEREAS, the president placed the entirety of Luzon under an Enhanced Community Quarantine on March 16, 2020;

WHEREAS, in the light of the foregoing premises, there is a need to establish a comprehensive approach to fight the spread of COVID-19 in the locality;

NOW, THEREFORE, I MENCHIE C. LOMBOY-DE GUZMAN, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Bauang, La Union, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. All *Bauangenos*, visitors/tourists and establishment owners are urged to act within the bounds of law and to comply with lawful directives and advisories issued by municipal, provincial and appropriate government agencies to prevent further transmission of the COVID-19 and ensure the safety and well-being of all.

All municipal and barangay officials in cooperation with local emergency and protective offices, provincial government and concerned national agencies are enjoined to render full assistance and mobilize necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent, and appropriate response and measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate the COVID-19 threat.

SECTION 2. State of Public Health Emergency. The State of Public Health Emergency covered herein is provided under Proclamation No. 922 dated March 8, 2020 or any subsequent declarations or amendments.





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SECTION 3. COVID-19 Task Force, Checkpoints, ICS and other protocols.

COVID-19 Task Force. The COVID-19 Task Force shall continue discharging its functions to safeguard and prepare the town for any circumstances.

Responsible IC. Rules and guidelines on emergency situations shall be followed. Concerned IC shall immediately institute appropriate action and prepare necessary action plan and contingency plan.

Checkpoints. The ASF checkpoints located in barangay Urayong, Ballay and Pagdalagan Sur shall serve as COVID-19 checkpoints with additional personnel from health and other concerned agencies/offices.

Duties and responsibilities for Containment & Control; Prevention and Mitigation are provided under E.O. No. 2020-015.

A 5-pronged approach shall guide the task force in their plans and actions: Information, Health & Sanitation, Peace & Order, Food Security and Logistics.

SECTION 4. Restriction on Movement

- a. Barangay Officials & their instrumentalities as well as Resort/Hotel owners to strictly monitor the arrival and movement of returning residents and visitors within their areas of responsibilities by administering the Health Declaration Cards and submit the same to the Municipal Health Office.
- b. Needless loitering in the streets of both minors and the general public at any time of the day will be denied
- c. TODA/for hire tricycle trips shall be restricted for basic/essential/emergency needs with one passenger only except for family group/Senior Citizens/PWDs and emergency cases where there is a need for companions.
- d. Ambulant vendors from outside Bauang are prohibited
- e. During the quarantine period, non-essential entry shall be regulated and social distancing measures imposed as per guidelines provided by the DILG



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- and the DOH for General Community Quarantine and Enhanced Community Quarantine, subject to localized guidelines contained in this order.
- f. General Community Quarantine - Where movement of people is limited to accessing necessities and work; and, where uniform personnel and quarantine officers shall be present at border patrol.
 - g. Enhanced Community Quarantine - Where strict home quarantine shall be implemented in all households; transportation shall be suspended; provision of food and essential health services shall be regulated; and heightened presence of uniformed personnel to enforce quarantine procedures will be implemented.
 - h. Non-Essential Entry – refers to non-essential entry of people to the contained area specially persons who are at high risk being infected, i.e. those 60 years old and above, those who are immune compromised (having weak immune system), or with co-morbidities (having one or more diseases or conditions that occur along with another condition in the same person at the same time), pregnant women except: health workers, authorized government officials, persons travelling for medical or humanitarian reasons and travelling abroad, those providing basic services and public utilities, essential skeletal force.

SECTION 5. Mass Gatherings. Mass gatherings or crowd-gathering events are cancelled, suspended or postponed until further notice: fiestas, cockfights, night market, open market, sidewalk vending, basketball and other tournaments, symposiums, parades and other related public assemblies.

Private gatherings are enjoined to be scaled-down to a manageable size if cannot be postponed and that precautionary measures are observed like sanitation and disinfection protocols at the gates and social distancing.

Common religious congregations are discouraged.

SECTION 6. Class Suspension. Classes are suspended from March 16-April 12, 2020 in all levels for public and private schools to prevent community transmission



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and to pave way for our school administrators to conduct sanitation and disinfectant protocols in their respective school buildings and premises.

Students/minors are advised to stay at home and study their lessons until classes resume. Those caught loitering anytime of the day will be apprehended by authorities and turned over to their respective parents who will be responsible for the actions of their children.

SECTION 7. Alternative Work Arrangements & Assistance to Employees. The Municipal Government shall adopt alternative work schemes such as work suspension, work-from home and skeletal force, as per CSC Announcement No 12, S. 2020.

Essential Services to serve as skeletal force: *Municipal Health Office/RHU, Lying In, MDRRMO, MSWDO, MENRO-in charge of garbage collection & Sanitary Landfill, Public Market, Slaughterhouse, POSO, Municipal Security Group, In charge of Cleanliness of Plaza and National Highway and MSWDO.*

All permanent, casual and job order personnel will be paid full salaries during the enhanced community quarantine period under any of the adopted alternative work arrangement. Work assignments and accomplishment reports shall be prepared at the end of every required period.

Early release of allowances/bonuses/salaries like the 13th month pay may be granted pro-rated to employees by the municipal government and other humanitarian assistance as may be allowed by existing laws and regulations.

SECTION 8. Business Activities.

The following business establishment shall remain open to provide basic and essential supplies and needs to the community: banks, groceries, supermarkets, pharmacies, pawnshops, hardwares and wet markets.



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Restaurants and hotels are enjoined to tone down or slow down business if cannot be totally shut down. Restaurants are encouraged to accept take-home and delivery services instead of dine in services.

Other business establishments are enjoined to adopt alternative work schemes for their personnel and extend support to alleviate burdens on basic and essential necessities.

SECTION 9. Curfew. Curfew is hereby imposed on the streets from 8:00 PM to 5:00 AM.

The curfew shall not apply to those individuals who are providing emergency and security work (i.e. health workers, peace and order officers, LGU officers and workers from night shift of essential utilities/establishments) with valid IDs.

The PNP, POSO, MSG, barangay tanods and officials shall ensure the implementation of the curfew.

All those apprehended in the municipal level or by the PNP shall be immediately turned over to the concerned barangay captain for appropriate action.

SECTION 10. Total Liquor Ban. Selling, buying, transporting and drinking liquor and other alcoholic beverages strictly prohibited during the enhanced community quarantine.

SECTION 11. Sanitation & Disinfection. All building administrators, public and private, including market/plaza/road and other public areas, owners of hotels and resorts and other commercial establishments, are enjoined to go through health-protective protocols (sanitize and disinfect) within their areas of responsibilities.

SECTION 12. Local Price Monitoring. Prices at the Municipal Market will be constantly monitored by the Local Price Coordinating Committee, the DTI, and the Department of Agriculture and those caught overpricing or hoarding shall be dealt



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with accordingly. The Consumer Welfare Desk is located at the Municipal Market Atrium for market or price related concerns.

SECTION 13. Isolation Rooms. The Municipal Health Officer is hereby directed to ensure that there is an isolation unit or holding room within RHU premises.

SECTION 14. Community Welfare. Barangay Captains to go around their respective areas of responsibility to monitor the needs of their residents especially the poorest of the poor and coordinate with MSWDO for any assistance needed.

SECTION 15. Personal & Community Discipline.

- Observe proper personal/basic hygiene and sanitation like regular hand washing
- Practice a healthy lifestyle. Get enough sleep, eat a balanced diet, and drink lots of water.
- Practice social-distancing as well as judicious use of face masks
- Be aware of updates from the DOH, WHO and other health agencies
- Be critical of news coming out especially from social media
- Do not engage in panic buying so as to not deprive from others the opportunity to get hold of essential supplies
- Listen to and comply with announcements from government authorities

SECTION 16. Information & Education Campaign. Updates, Advisory, alerts and guidelines shall be continuously provided to the public by all concerned offices led by the MIS

Official Municipal Social Media Account:

Facebook Page – <https://www.facebook.com/bauanglaunionofficial/>

Signages & billboards shall be placed in strategic places around town; pamphlets prepared and distributed to communities; and LED wall constantly updated to inform the public about COVID-19.



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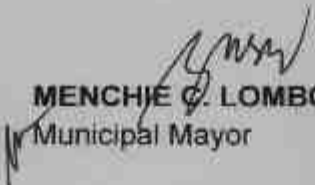
SECTION 17. Inter-Agency Coordination. The LGU shall work closely with the PNP, DOH, DTI, DEP Ed, DOJ and other national agencies and the Provincial Government of La Union in its efforts to fight the spread of COVID-19.

SECTION 18. All concerned offices are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination and implementation of this order.

SECTION 19. Separability Clause. All Executive Orders, memoranda, and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent herewith, are hereby revoked, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 20. Effectivity Clause. This Executive Order shall be effective starting today March 17, 2020.

Bauang, La Union, 17 March, 2020.


MENCHIE C. LOMBOY-DE GUZMAN, M.D.
Municipal Mayor