

Republic of the Philippines City of Cagayan de Oro



OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR

Series of 2020

"AN ORDER TEMPORARILY CLOSING ALL SPAS AND MASSAGE PARLORS, AND PROHIBITING THE CONDUCT OF MASAHE, HILOT AND REFLEXOLOGY ACTIVITIES IN PARKS, PLAZAS AND OTHER FACILITIES IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY

WHEREAS, the City Government of Cagayan de Oro, thru the Office of the City Mayor, issued Executive Order No. 048, Series of 2020, entitled "AN ORDER IMPLEMENTING CERTAIN EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES IN THE CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO TO CONTROL AND LIMIT THE EXPOSURE TO THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)", Executive Order No. 049, Series of 2020, entitled "AN ORDER PLACING THE ENTIRE CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO UNDER COMMUNITY QUARANTINE TO HELP PREVENT, LIMIT AND CONTROL EXPOSURE TO THE NOVEL CORONA VIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)", as well as Executive Order No. 052, Series of 2020, entitled "AN ORDER ENFORCING THE SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOTr) IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", respectively, which among others, strongly adopted the policies on "Under Shelter in Place" ("Stay at Home") and Social Distancing of the Department of Health (DOH) and Department of Transportation (DOTr), respectively, to help limit the threat of the spread of COVID-19 in the city and the neighboring areas in the Northern Mindanao Region;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 054, Series of 2020, entitled "AN ORDER STRICTLY ENFORCING THE ORDINANCE ON THE BAN ON DRINKING OF ALCOHOLIC AND OTHER INTOXICATING DRINKS IN PUBLIC PLACES OF CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AND ITS BARANGAYS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", has also been issued by this office to strictly implement the ban on the drinking of liquor and other intoxicating drinks in public places, and in the premises of stores, restaurants and eateries of the city and its barangays, including the early start of the curfew hour to 9 o'clock in the evening to further discourage our residents from going out of their homes and pursue non-essential activities during these times;

WHEREAS, the policies on "Under Shelter in Place" and Social Distancing under Community Quarantine being implemented by the City Government are intended to check the spread of COVID-19 infection also demand that certain business establishments which services involve close physical contact with their clients or customers be temporarily discontinued;

WHEREAS, considering that the operation of Spas, Massage Parlors, as well as the conduct of *masahe*, *hilot* and reflexology activities in public places involve direct hand contact on the part of the therapist/*masahista* with his or her client, thus should be temporarily stopped to prevent possible transmission of the disease from one person to another.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, OSCAR S. MORENO, City Mayor of Cagayan de Oro, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. ALL SPAS AND MASSAGE PARLORS IN THE CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO ARE TEMPORARILY CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. MASAHE, HILOT AND REFLEXOLOGY ACTIVITIES ARE LIKEWISE PROHIBITED IN ALL PARKS, PLAZAS AND OTHER FACILITIES IN THE CITY.

SECTION 2. ENFORCEMENT. The Philippine National Police, Cagayan de Oro City Police Office (COCPO), Regulatory and Compliance Board (RCB), the concerned Sangguniang Barangay Officials and Barangay Tanods shall implement this Order.

Failure to abide by the foregoing guidelines and measures shall be meted with appropriate action, in accordance with the relevant City Ordinances and government regulations. For this purpose, the City Legal Department is directed to initiate the appropriate charges, as may be warranted.

The Permits granted to the owners of SPAs and Massage Parlors violating this Order will be cancelled after the review of the Business Permits and Licensing Office.

EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect on 28 March 2020. **SO ORDERED.**

ISSUED this 23개년 March 2020, Cagayan de Oro City.

City Mayor

Attested by:

TEODORO A. SABUGA-A, JR. Acting City Administrator