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**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY**

# CERTIFICATION

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**

*THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the regular session duly constituted of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Pangasinan, held on August 15, 2022 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial ordinance was approved:*

Authored by SP Member Shiela Marie F. Baniqued

**PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 282-2022**

**AN ORDINANCE ON AVIAN INFLUENZA PREVENTION AND CONTROL PROGRAM IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AND PROVIDING PENALTIES IN VIOLATION THEREOF**

**WHEREAS**, Article II Section 15 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that it is the obligation of the State to protect and promote the health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 Section 16 mandates the local government units to promote health and safety of the people within their respective jurisdiction;

**WHEREAS**, Avian Influenza (AI) also known as avian flu or bird flu is a contagious disease of animals caused by viruses that normally infect birds;

**WHEREAS**, AI viruses usually do not infect people, however, there have been some rare cases of human infection with these viruses that have ranged in severity from no symptoms or mild illness to severe disease that resulted in death;

**WHEREAS**, new confirmed cases of bird flu, or highly pathogenic avian influenza, have been reported in some parts of Luzon and Mindanao, but most of these incidents are now under control;

**WHEREAS**, to implement the temporary total ban on the entry of all ducks and spent hen (culls) into the Province of Pangasinan, Executive Order No. 0103-2022, was issued by the Provincial Governor, Ramon V. Guico III, to ensure that the bird flu disease will not harm poultry raisers and to protect the general public from its ill effects;



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**WHEREAS**, the latest Memorandum Circular No. 27, S-2022 of the Department of Agriculture, dated June 30, 2022, provides the updated guidelines on the movement of live poultry and non-poultry and poultry products and by-products during the avian influenza outbreak;

**WHEREAS**, in pursuance to IATF-EID Resolution No. 60, dated July 30, 2020, there is also a need to reactivate the Avian Influenza Prevention and Control Task Force to manage the entry or outbreak of the disease through multi-agency coordination and collaboration efforts of agencies/offices and other stakeholders;

**WHEREAS**, RA No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, has vested upon local government units, the authority to prescribe regulations aimed at the promotion and preservation of public health, order, safety and general welfare of its inhabitants;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of SP Member Shiela Marie F. Baniqued, duly seconded, it was-

Be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session duly assembled that:

**SECTION 1.** This ordinance shall be known as the Avian Influenza Prevention and Control Ordinance in the Province of Pangasinan.

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.**

The provincial government aims to institute preparedness and preventive measures through the enactment of this ordinance in order to protect the people of Pangasinan particularly poultry raisers and the livestock industry in general, in the event the Avian Influenza can pose a serious threat to the Province of Pangasinan.

**SECTION 3. OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSES.**

1. To prevent the entry/outbreak of Avian Influenza, thus ensuring public health and safety.
2. To protect the local livestock industry in Pangasinan.
3. To regulate the movement and local transport of poultry and by poultry products in and out of the province.
4. To promote and protect the health, safety and general welfare of Pangasinenses.

**SECTION 4. SCOPE AND COVERAGE.**

This ordinance shall be enforced within the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Pangasinan.