

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY

## CERTIFICATION

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the regular (web-based/online) session duly constituted of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Pangasinan, held on April 14, 2025, the following provincial resolution was approved:

Authored by SP Member Shiela Marie F. Baniqued

## **PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 460-2025**

AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, RAMON V. GUICO III, TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) BY AND BETWEEN THE EASTERN PANGASINAN DISTRICT HOSPITAL AND NATIVIDAD MUNICIPAL HEALTH OFFICE AND BIRTHING CLINIC FOR THE ADOPTION OF REFERRAL SYSTEM IN TERMS OF NEWBORN HEARING TEST AND AMBULANCE SERVICES

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution ensures the protection and promotion of the right of the people to health and guarantees the availability of essential health services to all the people at affordable cost through various plans and programs;

WHEREAS, the Eastern Pangasinan District Hospital, one of the 14 hospitals operated by the Provincial Government of Pangasinan, caters to patients coming from the different municipalities and areas nearby localities of the 6<sup>th</sup> District of Pangasinan;

WHEREAS, the Eastern Pangasinan District Hospital has signified its intention to engage the services of the Natividad Municipal Health Office and Birthing Clinic in providing Newborn Hearing Screening Test, which is beyond the service capability of the former;

WHEREAS, the Natividad Municipal Health Office and Birthing Clinic, on the other hand, has manifested its intention to secure the ambulance services of the Eastern Pangasinan District Hospital, in case of unavailability of the standby vehicle of the former;

WHEREAS, the adoption of referral system on said neonatal and ambulance services between the Eastern Pangasinan District Hospital and the Natividad Municipal Health Office and Birthing Clinic is an important local health program in order to strengthen healthcare services to the Province;





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> WHEREAS, the program is in consonance to RA 11223 or the Universal Health Care Act of 2019 which mandates the implementation of health reform program in order to ensure that every Filipino is guaranteed an equitable access to quality and affordable healthcare services and is protected against financial risks;

> WHEREAS, it is also in conformity with Section 13 of the 1987 Constitution which provides that local government units may group themselves, consolidate or coordinate their efforts, services, and resources for purposes commonly beneficial to them in accordance to the law;

**WHEREAS**, the duties and responsibilities of each party in the implementation of the program are already defined in the MOA;

WHEREAS, local government units are empowered under Section 22 (a) (5) (c) and Section 465 (vi) of RA 7160 to enter into contracts, but such power may be exercised with prior authorization emanating from the Sangguniang Panlalawigan through a resolution/ordinance;

**WHEREAS**, for the above purpose, a Memorandum of Agreement shall be entered into and signed between the Province of Pangasinan, represented by Governor Ramon V. Guico III, and the Natividad Municipal Health Office and Birthing Clinic, represented by Municipal Mayor Rosita G. Rafael;

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

**RESOLVED**, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled to authorize, as he is hereby authorized, the Provincial Governor, Ramon V. Guico III, to enter into and sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) by and between the Eastern Pangasinan District Hospital and the Natividad Municipal Health Office and Birthing Clinic for the adoption of referral system in terms of newborn hearing test and ambulance services;

**RESOLVED FINALLY,** that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Provincial Governor, Ramon V. Guico III, Province of Pangasinan, Municipal Mayor Rosita G. Rafael, Natividad, Pangasinan and Dr. Agnes Leored D. Rioflorido, Chief of Hospital I, Eastern Pangasinan District Hospital, for their information and guidance.

CERTIFIED B NAVA-PEREZ VERNA T Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

MARK RONALD DG. LAMBINO Vice Governor

(Presiding Officer)

