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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 126TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 2022-2025 SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF LOOC, PROVINCE OF ROMBLON HELD AT MUNICIPAL SESSION HALL ON FEBRUARY 11, 2025

PRESENT:

HON. ISMAEL S. OSORIO JR.....	Acting Municipal Mayor
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ABSENT:

NONE

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 038-2024

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A DENGUE TASK FORCE TO COMBAT DENGUE OUTBREAKS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOOC, ROMBLON

Sponsor: Hon. Menchie M. Garachico

*Co – Sponsors: Hon. Periano R. Bernardo, Hon. Teodulo G. Tirol Jr.
& Hon. Benjamin F. Galindez Jr.*

WHEREAS, according to the Local Government Code of 1991, Local Government Units (LGUs) are not only empowered but also obligated to safeguard the health and safety of their constituents by actively implementing robust measures to prevent and control the spread of diseases, while offering effective support to those affected;

WHEREAS, Dengue fever continues to be a significant health concern, with the number of cases anticipated to surge during the rainy season;

WHEREAS, environmental sanitation stands as the most effective strategy for the eradication and ultimate destruction of breeding sites for the mosquito vectors responsible for transmitting this disease;

WHEREAS, fostering environmental sanitation as a preventive measure can be realized and sustained through vibrant community participation at the grassroots level, particularly within barangays and puroks;

WHEREFORE, Premises Considered;

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Looc in Regular Session assembled that:

SECTION I. Title – This Ordinance shall be known as “Establishment of Dengue Task Force to Combat Dengue Outbreak in the Municipality of Looc, Romblon.

SECTION II. Statement of Policy and Objectives – The Municipality of Looc, Romblon, is committed to adopting an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development. This approach aims to ensure that essential goods, health services, and other social services are accessible to all residents at an affordable cost. Priority will be given to the needs of the underprivileged, as well as the sick, elderly, disabled, women, and children.

Dengue is the fastest-growing mosquito-borne viral disease in the world, which can lead to hospitalization, potential transfusions, and even death. If not prevented and controlled, it can result in an outbreak of dengue, posing a significant public health concern for the municipality. Therefore, this Ordinance aims to monitor and prevent dengue outbreaks by establishing a Municipal Dengue Task Force, which will be replicated in all twelve (12) barangays of the municipality. Additionally, the task force will promote awareness of health programs offered by the municipality.

SECTION III. Definition of Terms – As used in this Ordinance, the following terms are hereby defined as follows;

- a) **Breeding Ground** – Places where mosquito propagate.
- b) **Dengue** – an acute infectious disease caused by a Flavivirus (species Dengue virus of the genus Flavivirus), transmitted by Aedes mosquitoes, and characterized by headache, severe joint pain, and rash – called also breakbone fever, dengue fever.
- c) **Fogging** – Rapidly heating the liquid pesticide chemical so that it forms very light droplets that resemble smoke or fog used to destroy mosquitoes, black flies, and other similar pests.
- d) **Mosquito-Borne Diseases** – are those that are transmitted to people through the bite of an infected mosquito.
- e) **Vector** – an organism that can carry particular disease-causing agent (like a virus) without actually developing the disease.
- f) **Zika Virus** - disease caused by a virus transmitted primarily by Aedes mosquitoes, which bite during the day.

SECTION IV. *Municipal Dengue Task Force*– This task force is hereby created for the purpose of monitoring and overseeing the implementation of the provisions of the Ordinance. The Task Force shall be composed of the following:

Chairman	-	Municipal Mayor
Vice Chairman	-	Municipal Health Officer
Members	-	Chairman, Committee on Health
		Liga ng Barangay President
		Sanitary Inspector
		Municipal Engineer
		DOH Representative
		DepEd Representative
		SK Federation
		3 CSO Representative
		Philippine National police
		MSWDO
		MLGOO
		MDRRMO

The membership to the Task Force maybe increased by the Sangguniang Bayan through recommendation of the majority of the Task Force. Likewise, the Municipal Mayor is hereby granted authority to appoint/designate other members to the said Task Force.

SECTION V. *Functions of the Municipal Dengue Task Force*

- a) To establish programs and policies on the prevention and control of dengue in the municipality involving government units, schools, private sectors, NGO and CSO.
- b) Regular monitoring the incidence and occurrence of dengue in all barangay of the municipality.
- c) To order immediate implementation of all remedial measures as mandated by the Department of Health in case the municipality or a barangay has been found to be positive of dengue.
- d) To have simultaneous barangay-wide clean up drive every first Monday of the month enjoining the participation of all community members;
- e) Shall convene regularly for purpose of planning and coordinate the implementation of dengue prevention and control program.
- f) Coordinate with other Government Agencies in order to achieve the goal for effective dengue prevention and control program.

SECTION VI. *Barangay Dengue Task Force* – There shall be a Barangay Dengue Task Force in 12 Barangays which shall be composed of the following:

Chairman	-	Barangay Captain
Members	-	Kagawad, Chairman on Health
		Midwife
		Barangay Health Worker

PTA – President
Barangay Tanod
BNS
Parent Leader
DepEd Representative

SECTION VII. *Duties and Functions of the Barangay Dengue Task Force* – The Barangay Dengue Task Force shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- a) Assisting the Municipal Government in the implementation of the Ordinance.
- b) Conduct Educational and Information Campaign on the prevention and control of Dengue and other Mosquito – Borne Disease with emphasis on the 4S (Search and Destroy; Self – protection, Seek early treatment, Say “YES” for fogging.
- c) Motivate parents to seek early medical care for sick children to prevent serious outcome by encouraging them to seek early consultation.
- d) Formulate activities and strategies to maximize community participation in the conduct of the 4S.

SECTION VIII. *Community Control Program* – There shall be a comprehensive Municipal-Wide Community Mosquito – Borne Disease Control Program which shall include but is not limited to the following:

- a) Information Drive Campaign
- b) Residual Spraying – spraying of insecticides to places where mosquitoes are found with utmost care so as not to contaminate water and food that may cause harmful effects to human.
- c) Fogging – application of fogging only on places which are identified as highly endemic under the supervision of the MHO and the Sanitary Inspector.
- d) Larvacciding – application of larvicida: agents that will be applied or spread to known and verified breeding grounds of mosquitoes and other carriers as identified by the Sanitary Inspector.

SECTION IX. *Preventive Measures to Prevent and Control Dengue and other Mosquito – Borne Disease*

- a) Encourage all residents in the barangay to observe proper disposal of garbage, observe the absence of stagnant water, and observe the 4:00 o'clock daily habit of cleaning of surroundings.
- b) Require all vulcanizing and battery repairs shop as well as other similar business establishments that store stagnant water to cover the containers to prevent mosquitoes from breeding in the said containers.
- c) Require owners of vacant lots to keep their properties free of breeding grounds for Aedes mosquitoes.

- d) Ensure that barangay officials are responsible for maintaining the cleanliness in their respective barangays and ensuring canals are free from stagnant water.
- e) Ensure that schools are certified by the Sanitary Inspector to be free of Aedes breeding sites.
- f) Monitor all residents in the barangay who may have signs of dengue and report them to the Barangay Dengue Task Force or directly to the RHU for appropriate action.
- g) Promulgate other measures that can contribute to the prevention of dengue outbreak in consonance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION X. Prohibited Acts – The following shall be considered as prohibited acts:

- a) Storing of old tires and batteries, steel or plastic drums, pails, tin cans, jars, coconut shells and water tanks no longer in use and failure to provide proper covering for the same especially if the foregoing contain water thus making them possible breeding ground for mosquitoes.
- b) Storing of rain or tap water on containers not properly covered when used in relation to the pursuit of business like vulcanizing and battery repair shops.
- c) Failure of vacant lot owners to clear their property thus making it possible breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

SECTION XI. Penalties – any person/s who shall violate, disobey, refuse, omit or neglect to comply with any rules and regulations promulgated under this ordinance shall be meted with the following penalty:

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| 1 st Offense | - | Stern written warning by the MHO |
| 2 nd Offense | - | Fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00) |
| 3 rd Offense | - | Fine of One Thousand and Five Hundred Pesos (Php 1,500.00) and revocation of business permit if the violator is a business establishment owner |

SECTION XII. Repealing Clause – All ordinances contrary to or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed and modified accordingly.

SECTION XIII. Separability Clause – If any part or provision of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the other parts or provision hereof.

SECTION XIV. Effectivity – This ordinance shall take effect upon review and approval of the Provincial Legislative Body and posted in Three (3) conspicuous places of the municipality.

Approved: 11 February 2025/ 126th Regular Session.

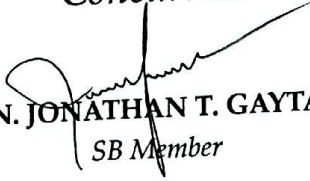
CERTIFIED to the correctness of the aforesaid Resolution.

ENGR. REYAM A. REYES
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


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Acting Municipal Vice Mayor
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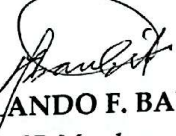
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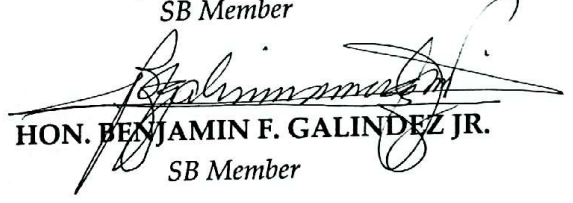

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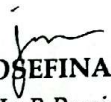

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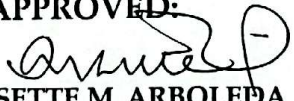

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Municipal Mayor

Date Approved: 17 FEB 2025