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OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR



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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 021, S. 2023

MANDATING LOCALLY-REGISTERED MEAT ESTABLISHMENTS AND FOOD BUSINESS OPERATORS TO UNDERGO TRAININGS IN GOOD HYGIENIC PRACTICES ON FOOD ANIMAL HANDLING PRIOR THE ISSUANCE/RENEWAL OF BUSINESS PERMITS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSE

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10611, otherwise known as the "Food Safety Act of 2013" states that the primary objective of the law is to strengthen the food safety regulatory system in the country through consumer health protection, enhancement of the industry and consumer's confidence in the system, and promotion of fair-trade practices and sound regulatory foundation for domestic and international trade;

WHEREAS, Section 15(c) of DA-DOH Joint Administrative Order No. 2015-0007 or the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10611 mandates that "(t)he LGUs shall be responsible for food safety in food businesses such as, but not limited to, activities in slaughterhouses, dressing plants, fish ports, wet markets, supermarkets, school canteens, restaurants, catering establishments and water refilling stations. The LGU shall also be responsible for street food sale, including ambulant vending;"

WHEREAS, Section 19(a), *supra*, provides that "(t)he LGUs shall be responsible for the enforcement of the "Code on Sanitation of the Philippines" (Presidential Decree No. 856, December 23, 1975), food safety standards and food safety regulations where food is produced, processed, prepared and/or sold in their territorial jurisdiction. This shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

- (1) Sanitation particularly in public markets, slaughterhouses, micro and small food processing establishments and public eating places;
- (2) Codes of Practice for production, postharvest handling, processing and hygiene;
- (3) Safe use of food additives, processing aids and sanitation chemicals; and
- (4) Proper labelling of pre-packaged foods."

WHEREAS, Rule 28.2 Section 28, *supra*, provides that "the LGUs shall issue business permits to FBOs indicating compliance with the sanitation code and such other food safety requirements that may be prescribed. Such permit authorizes FBOs to market their products within their territorial jurisdiction";

SECTION 1. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Engr. CARLOS F. LOPEZ, JR., Local Chief Executive of the Municipality of Asingan, Pangasinan, premises considered, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and adopt the provisions of Republic Act No. 10611 or the Food Safety Act of 2013 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations and all other rules, regulations, and issuance of the Department of Agriculture–National Meat Inspection Service and other related agencies.

SECTION 2. TRAININGS AND SEMINARS. The Local Government Unit shall partner with the DA-NMIS to make accessible training and seminars in Good Hygienic Practices on Food Animal Handling and Good Manufacturing Practices, and other relevant laws, rules, and regulations to concerned sectors.

SECTION 3. REGISTRATION/RENEWAL OF BUSINESS. No meat establishment, food business operator, or individual shall be issued business permit for registration/renewal without undergoing the required trainings-seminars as evidenced by a Certification issued by the agency or competent authority.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Let copies hereof be furnished to all concerned for information, reference, and guidance.

DONE this 2nd day of June 2023 in the Municipality of Asingan, Pangasinan.

Engr. CARLOS F. LOPEZ, JR.
Municipal Mayor