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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 20-008 Series of 2020

THE YOUTH WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT CODE OF LOON, BOHOL

RATIONALE

Article II, Section 13 of the Philippine Constitution of 1987 mandates the State regarding the vital role of the Youth in nation-building, the promotion and protection of their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual well-being and expands further its role to inculcate patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs.

Republic Act 8044 otherwise known as the "Youth in Nation-Building Act of 1995" creates the structure to implement a comprehensive and coordinated program for the youth and gives recognition to the youth's responsibility in fulfilling their vital role of nation-building.

The development and welfare of the youth sector in the Municipality of Loon should include their priorities promotion of their well-being total development, protection from exploitation, abuse, hazards and other circumstances prejudicial to their physical, mental, emotional, social and moral development.

In the pursuit for progress and development, the youth sector must be fully assimilated in the mainstream so as to ensure an improved quality of life and youth-friendly environment where there are guarantees for educational opportunities, economic privileges, civil and political rights.

The youth envisions these development approaches for the municipality; hence, an ordinance shall be enacted by the Sangguniang Bayan for this purpose.

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Be it enacted by the 14th Sangguniang Bayan of Municipality of Loon:

ARTICLE I
TITLE, POLICY, PRINCIPLES AND DEFINITION OF TERMS

SECTION 1. TITLE. This ordinance, for purpose of brevity, shall be known as the Youth Welfare and Development Code of Loon, Bohol.

SECTION 2. POLICY. The Municipality shall recognize the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being, inculcate them the spirit of patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs.

SECTION 3. GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR THE YOUTH. The LGU adheres to the following guiding principles of the youth

- a. The rights of the youth, as stipulated in the Constitution and other laws, shall be upheld at all times;
- b. Every youth has the right to be informed of their inherent rights as stipulated in the Constitution and other related laws;
- c. Every youth has the right to bodily integrity and to the means necessary for the proper development of life, particularly food, clothing, shelter, medical care, rest and the necessary social services;
- d. Every youth has the right not to be discriminated, intimidated, abused, bullied or humiliated;
- e. Every youth has the right to quality and responsive education from nursery to tertiary level, incorporating therein multicultural and multilingual curricula;
- f. Every youth has the right to freely and fully participate in the political processes of his community and country;
- g. Every youth has the right to economic development based on the precepts of justice and equity;
- h. Every youth's right is coupled with moral and legal obligation that must be fulfilled;
- i. Every youth has right to exercise a freedom of religion; and
- j. Every youth has the right to have a decent job at a livable wage and provided with other additional compensation and benefits provided by laws.

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS. When used in this ordinance the following words shall mean:

- a. Youth – as defined in Republic Act 8044 otherwise known as The Youth in Nation-Building Act of 1995, and for the purpose of this code, shall refer to those persons whose ages range from fifteen (15) to thirty (30) years old;
- b. Youth of School Age – shall refer to all youth whose ages range from 15-25 years;
- c. Minor Youth – shall include all youth whose ages range from 15-17 years;
- d. Working Youth – shall refer to all youth whose ages range from 18-30 years who are employed either on a regular or temporary basis;
- e. Out of School Youth – refers to all youth of school age, whether organized or not, who are unable to avail of the formal school system or who have dropped out from all levels of formal education;

- f. In-School Youth – refers to all youth of school age, whether organized or not, presently enrolled with any educational, vocational institution which include but not limited to the following school organization (academic or non-academic), student government fraternities and sororities;
- g. Special Youth – refers to youth with disabilities or those who suffered physical defects, as well as youth with special needs which include but not limited to those who are drug dependents children in need of special protection, in conflict with the law, and those caught in armed conflicts;
- h. Youth Organization – are organization whose majority of membership are youth and might be based in educational institution but whose program are not solely for educational advancement or may be community –based whose members are not all out-of-school youth;
- i. Civil Rights – are those rights of the youth to be protected against all forms of abuse, exploitation and discrimination in situation where the youth is considered in extremely difficult circumstances;
- j. Council – refers to Local Youth Development Council of Municipality of Loon;
- k. Economic, Social and Cultural Rights – pertain to the access of the youth to educational opportunities, relevant information, leisure, cultural activities and the right to freedom of thought conscience and religion;
- l. Political Rights – are those rights which provide the youth the freedom to express themselves on matters affecting their lives;
- m. Anti-Social Related Activities – are those acts against property, chastity and person which include but not limited to the following;
 - 1. Petty crimes such as snatching, shoplifting, misrepresentations;
 - 2. Using and pushing of prohibited drugs;
 - 3. Selling or distribution of lewd/obscene reading materials;
 - 4. Pimping for young and adult prostitutes, sexual perversions and doing or participating in obscene shows;
 - 5. Gambling of any form;
 - 6. Rape and incest; and
 - 7. All other circumstances as defined in the existing laws.
- n. Hazing – shall mean an initiation rite being conducted as a prerequisite for admission as member in a fraternity, sorority or organization by placing the recruit, neophyte, or applicant in an embarrassing or humiliating situation such as forcing him/her to do menial, silly foolish and other tasks or activities, otherwise subjecting him/her to physical suffering or injury.

SECTION 5. DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR THE YOUTH. A comprehensive program for the youth shall be formulated on the succeeding year from the effectivity of this Code by the Municipality of Loon Local Youth Development Council, after consultation with youth groups, other government agencies, private sector, and non- government organization. Incorporated herein are the following, among others:

- a. Formulation, approval and implementation of the Municipal Youth Development Plan for the municipal youth sector and shall be reviewed and formulated a year before the end of its duration;
- b. A local study on the “Situation of Youth in the Municipality of Loon “which identifies priority needs, prevailing attitudes and values of youth, existing services and gaps in the delivery of services of basic youth needs, every three (3) years thereafter; and
- c. Programs and interventions on youth participation in sports; culture and the arts; leadership programs; locally, nationally and internationally; youth engagement in

productive employment, education, livelihood services, cultural exchange, benchmarking and in gender development by laying down the necessary mechanisms and frameworks for policy direction, innovation and convergence.

ARTICLE II LOCAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

SECTION 1. THE LOON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL. There shall be created the Loon Youth Development Council (LYDC). It shall be responsible for the formulation of policies and implementation of youth development programs, projects and activities in coordination with various government and non-government organizations.

SECTION 2. OBJECTIVES. The LYDC shall serve the following objectives:

1. To develop and harness the full potential of the youth as responsible partners in nation-building;
2. To encourage intensive and active participation of youth in all government and non-government programs, projects and activities affecting them;
3. To harmonize all government and non-government initiatives for the development of the youth sector;
4. To supplement government appropriations for youth promotion and development with funds from other sources;
5. To broaden and strengthen the services provided by the national government agencies, Local government units and private agencies to young people;
6. To provide information mechanism on youth opportunities on the areas of education, employment, livelihood, physical and mental health, capability building and networking;
7. To increase the spirit of volunteerism among the youth of the Municipality particularly in the maintenance of peace and order and preservation, conservation and protection of the environment and natural resources within their locality;
8. To provide monitoring and coordinating mechanism for youth programs, projects and activities; and
9. To provide a venue for the active participation of the youth in cultural, eco-tourism awareness program, sports development and leadership training.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL. The LYDC shall be composed of twenty-one (21) members, viz:

Chairperson : SKMF President
Vice Chairperson : SKMF Vice President
Secretary : SKMF Secretary

Members:

- a. SKMF Board of Directors representing the 8 districts of Loon SKMF
- b. SKMF Treasurer
- c. Youth Affairs and Development Office or duly designated representative
- d. President of Federation of Youth Organization or Federation of Student Council or duly designated representative
- e. President of Church-based youth organization
- f. Young professionals and Entrepreneurs

- g. Young representative person with Disability (PWD)
- h. Community-based Youth organization
- i. Out-of- school youth organization
- j. Pag-asa Youth Association of the Philippines, Inc.

SECTION 4. FUNCTIONS OF THE LOON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

The following shall be the functions of Loon Youth Development Council:

- a. To formulate policies and component programs in coordination with the various government agencies handling youth-related programs, projects and activities;
- b. To coordinate and harmonize activities of all agencies and organizations in the Municipality that engage in youth development programs;
- c. To develop and provide support for the development and coordination of youth projects and design strategies to gain support and participation of the youth;
- d. To accredit sports and recreational centers, hotels, training centers and other institutions providing services to the youth as identified in this Code;
- e. To assist the national government and non-government agencies in the promotion of programs, projects and in the local level;
- f. To assist various government and non-government agencies in the identification and nomination of qualified participant to different programs, projects and activities;
- g. To conduct fund raising programs. The Municipal Mayor, as representative of the Municipal government, shall likewise receive donations, bequests, and may enter into contracts with other government and non-government agencies necessary for the accomplishment of the objectives of this code upon the authority of the Sangguniang Bayan;
- h. To recommend youth programs and proposals to appropriate government agencies and non-government organizations necessary for the accomplishment of the objectives of this Code;
- i. To accredit training pools for the purpose of assisting line agencies in implementing training and capability –building programs;
- j. To create a research team that will formulate a mechanism to come up with a Local Youth Situationer;
- k. To establish youth centers as deemed necessary;
- l. To monitor the implementation of programs and project at the local level;
- m. In consultation with all accredited youth organization, develop the youth legislative agenda and advocate and/or lobby for its passage; and
- n. To perform such other function as may be provided by law.

SECTION 5. SECRETARIAT. The Municipal Youth Development Office shall serve as the secretariat of the Loon Youth Development Council.

SECTION 6. MUNICIPAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN. The Council shall formulate and adopt a Municipal Youth Development Plan to be approved by the Sangguniang Bayan. The said plan shall be the basis for the implementation of local youth development programs and services in coordination with the concerned agencies.

SECTION 7. MUNICIPAL YOUTH CONGRESS. The Council shall convene a Municipal Youth Congress or conduct consultations with the youth at least once a year to gather information and data that shall serve as inputs in the formulation of the youth development plan of the locality. The Council shall submit a copy of all resolutions, declarations and proceedings of the local youth congress/consultations to the Sangguniang Bayan for appropriate action.

SECTION 8. YOUTH CENTER. The Council may establish a Youth Center which shall be located within the town center of Loon or at the discretion of the mayor. The Youth Center shall operate as multi-purpose center or a one-stop facility to serve the youth sector.

SECTION 9. MEETING OF THE COUNCIL. The Council shall meet at least once a month or as often as maybe deemed necessary. The Chairperson or his duly designated convener shall preside in all Council meetings.

SECTION 10. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR. it shall be the responsibility of the Municipal Mayor to ensure that provisions of this Code specifically those that are relative to the creation of the Council are implemented to the fullest.

SECTION 11. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL. The duly designated members of the Council shall perform the roles and responsibilities of the officers as reflected in the internal rules and procedures of the Council subject to some flexibility rule depending on local conditions and situations.

The Internal Rules and Procedure shall provide for the following:

- a. Regular and Special Meetings;
- b. Quorum;
- c. The order and calendar of business for each meeting;
- d. Parliamentary procedures which shall include the conduct of all its members during the meeting;
- e. Disciplinary actions;
- f. The manner of approving resolutions; and
- g. Such other measures as the Council may adopt.

SECTION 12. ACCREDITATION/ REGISTRATION. Only those youth groups/organizations or associations which exist in the Municipality of Loon shall be accredited by the Council.

The Requirements for accreditation /recognition to the Council are as follows:

1. Letter expressing intent for accreditation/registration;
2. Certification of existence and veracity of information issued from any the following:
 - a. Office of the Student Affairs or any school administrator, for the in-school youth organizations;
 - b. Punong Barangay, Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) and Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) for the out-of-school youth, special youth, disadvantaged youth and community youth organizations;
3. Constitution and By-Laws with notarize; if none, at least organizational policies and guidelines or Goals, Vision, Mission and Programs;
4. List of activities undertaken for the last 12 months, except for newly established organizations;
5. Plan and budget of activities for the current year;
6. If SEC registered, Certification from the Securities and Exchange Commission;
7. List of officers and members;

To assist the youth organization in their accreditation, the Municipal Youth Development Office shall provide accreditation forms to interested applicants for the first year of

implementation of this accreditation/registration. All documents should be forwarded to and received by the Accreditation Committee. Negative action of the Committee on application can be appealed to the Sangguniang Bayan whose decision shall be deemed final and executory.

SECTION 13. RIGHTS, DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBER OR ACCREDITED ORGANIZATIONS. Members or accredited youth organized shall have the following rights:

- a. The right to participate in all LYDC activities;
- b. The right to avail of the services of the Local Government Unit;
- c. The right to vote and if qualified, to be voted upon; and
- d. The right to use the facilities of the Local Government Unit.

The following are the duties and responsibilities of members or accredited youth organizations:

- a. To actively participate in the activities of the Council; and
- b. To propagate by word and deed the principles, objectives, and programs of the council.

SECTION 14. INCENTIVES. Any youth organization/association existing within the Municipality of Loon who failed to register or accredit shall not be entitled to any benefit that the LGU may provide and are not entitled to representation in the Council.

SECTION 15. APPROPRIATION. There shall be appropriated an annual budget by the LGU amounting to at least P 100,000.00 for the operation of Loon Youth Development Council. Provided, that disbursement and liquidation of funds shall be subject to COA rules and regulations.

SECTION 16. NON-PARTISAN NATURE OF THE LYDC. The Loon Youth Development Council shall not allow itself to be used for the purpose of partisan politics and shall adopt measures to ensure that it is adequately shielded from any political partnership or influence.

**ARTICLE III
CIVIL RIGHTS OF THE YOUTH**

SECTION 1. PROSTITUTION AND OTHER SEXUAL ABUSE. Any youth, whether male or female who for money, profit or any other consideration or due to any coercion or influence from any adult, syndicate or group indulges in sexual intercourse or lascivious conduct, is considered to be exploited in prostitution and other sexual abuse.

SECTION 2. OBSCENE PUBLICATIONS AND INDECENT SHOWS. Any person who shall hire, employ, use, persuade, coerce or force a youth, whether live or in video, to pose or model in obscene publications or pornographic materials shall be penalized according to existing laws penalizing such acts.

SECTION 3. APPOINTMENT OF YOUTH RELATIONS OFFICER AND POLICE PROCEDURES. The Loon Municipal Police Office shall assign a Youth Relations Officer, preferably a female police officer, who will be tasked to handle cases involving the youth, in all of its Police Precincts in the municipality.

SECTION 4. SPECIAL COURSES FOR PNP MEMBERS. A special course that deals with handling abused and delinquent youth shall be designed and obligatorily given to the members of Philippine National Police in the Municipality of Loon. The Loon Municipal Police officer together with the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office shall be tasked to design and initiate the conduct of training programs and/ or seminars on the special course.

SECTION 5. POLICE BRUTALITY. Police brutality, being the state or quality of being harsh, ruthless, cruel, or unrelenting to a youth who is suspected of committing crime, misdemeanor or antisocial activities during arrest, apprehension, investigation and interrogation or when applied to youth suspects under the custody of police authorities shall be prohibited and dealt with appropriate action from the People's Law Enforcement Board (PLEB). Case or cases of brutality of police officer(s) committed against a youth offender shall be filed in PLEB who will determine the appropriate penalty or penalties without prejudice to the provision of the Revised Penal Code.

SECTION 6. DISCRIMINATION. It shall be the policy of the Municipal Government to prohibit youth discrimination especially on the basis of gender orientation, social class, religion, and political affiliation.

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ARTICLE IV
ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, AND CULTURAL RIGHTS OF THE YOUTH

SECTION 1. GENERAL FRAMEWORK. The development of the youth is determined by both external and internal factors, so that, it is the shared responsibility of the parents, siblings, and relatives which shall be known as the internal factor; and the state, civil society and community which shall be known as the external factor to provide the necessary environment, support, assistance and other external factor to provide the necessary environment, support, assistance and other initiatives to make the young responsive and productive members of the society.

SECTION 2. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT. The LGU shall ensure to the maximum extent possible, the development of the youth by providing facilities, programs and projects for the purpose and at the same time facilitates and mobilize the civil society and the community to reinforce and strengthen the initiatives for the general welfare of the youth sector.

SECTION 3. POLICIES & PROGRAMS. The Municipal Government upon the approval of the Sangguniang Bayan shall formulate policies, programs, projects and initiatives to contribute to the development of the youth, or the policies which shall cover the following concerns:

- 1.) Education Policies/Concerns
 1. Budget intended for the purpose of youth development and education.
 2. Funds for educational purposes in every barangay.
 3. The Loon Municipal Library shall ensure that there are updated educational materials and technologies that will cater to the needs of the youth.
 4. Information pertaining to governance, municipal projects, programs activities, including information regarding fiscal matters shall be accessible to the youth.
 5. The Scholarship Program, to be known "Edukasyon alang sa mga Kabus nga Residente sa Loon, (EduKar Loon)" shall ensure, appropriate

number of scholars from among the qualified youth of the municipality for access to yearly tertiary and tech-voc scholarships; and

6. The Public Employment Service Office (PESO) shall continue its facilities for the summer job of student and other student internship programs in order to augment the latter's educational expenses during enrolment and for other educational purposes.

2.) Economic Policies/Concerns

1. The LGU through its appropriate agency/office shall render technical and vocational training to interested youth that would help them acquire new skills, and provide education and training to young entrepreneurs;
2. The LGU shall forge ties with the private sector in order to provide financial assistance to young individuals and organizations that are interested to start their own business or enter into financial enterprise;
3. The LGU shall provide financial assistance for youth entrepreneurs;
4. The LGU shall prosecute the owners, and cancel the business permit of institutions that would not provide a just compensation and/or benefits as mandated by law to its youth workers. It shall also require the business entity to comply within 30 days from the receipt of the complaint from the Office of the Municipal Mayor;
5. The LGU shall periodically check all business that employ youth and shall see to it that the working condition/environment is youth-friendly;
6. The LGU shall ensure that no youth worker is deprived of job training, promotion, and compensation, benefits, on the basis of age, gender, ethnicity, creed, civil status, ideology, or political affiliation;
7. The Public Employment Service Office (PESO) shall periodically conduct job fairs and other activities having the same nature for the purpose of offering or facilitating employment for the youth;
8. The Municipal Agriculturist's Office shall provide training and livelihood support programs to the Municipal farm youth in order to generate employment and train to develop young farm entrepreneurs;
9. The Local youth development office shall provide community-based tech-voc and livelihood programs to the out-of-school youth and other disadvantaged youth in order that this vulnerable sector be provided with preferred tracks necessary for self-employment or industry employment, and income-generating activities; and
10. The LGU, together with the NGOs concerned, private and public officers, and other commercial and non-commercial establishments shall provide the youth opportunities for On-the-Job Trainings.

3.) Health Policies/Concerns

1. The LGU through Rural Health Units Center shall provide check-ups and free health orientations to youth especially on health issues concerning them;
2. The LGU shall provide counseling programs and services through the Municipal Health Office regarding health issues concerning the youth;
3. The LGU shall allocate budget that will cater to the health needs of the youth of the municipality;
4. The LGU shall encourage/ conduct periodic health symposium aimed in giving awareness to the youth sector health issues and concerns that they have to learn;

5. The Municipal health office in coordination with the Church or Moralists Sector shall have programs that will teach the youth towards the formation of chaste and responsible parents.
 6. Business institutions, regardless of their breadth, that is found out to be selling cigarettes and or liquors to minors, shall be penalized according to existing ordinances which penalize such activities.
- 4.) Sports Development. The Loon Municipal Government shall establish an integrated youth and sports development program in order to discover and develop fresh would-be athletes from the young sector who will someday represent the Municipal in National level competitions, or who will become national athletes who will bring honor and glory for the Municipality. It shall implement a comprehensive Sports for All and Sports Academy in the Municipality of Loon.

SECTION 4. TRAINING FOR THE OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTH. The Municipal Government shall conceptualize programs to promote the development of the Out- of- School- Youth (OSY) to become self-reliant, economically productive, socially responsible citizens able to contribute to the development of the family and community. A technological institute may be established that will aim in training the OSYs of the Municipal technological and vocational courses. It shall continue to adopt a strategy on Unlad Kabataan Program and support the activities and interventions for the Pag-asa Youth Association of the Philippines, Inc., a legitimate organization for the out-of-school youth and disadvantage youth in the Municipality of Loon.

SECTION 5. FOCUS ON SPECIAL YOUTH. The Municipal Government of Loon shall give special focus on special youth by implementing programs and projects that will develop and enhance their skills and empower them to be able to participate in the society productively. The Municipal Government will make aperiodic comprehensive survey on special youth which shall serve as basis for the programs and projects intended for their development.

SECTION 6. BARANGAY LEVEL RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS. A barangay level programs for the revival of indigenous games that reflect the cultural diversity in Municipality of loon shall be installed. The LGU shall allocate space for creation and provide recreational facilities appropriate for the youth.

SECTION 7. LEADERSHIP BUILDING AND ARTS DEVELOPMENT. The LGU shall continue to provide programs for the Leadership building and arts development and enhancement of the Municipal youth.

- a. Loon Youth Achiever Award. It is the desire of the Municipal Government of Loon to establish a mechanism in which an annual selection of the Municipal youth achievers and outstanding youth organization will be realized. Through this, the youth will be motivated to excel on their own fields, and hereby for others to emulate the success stories of the awardee. Moreover, the Municipal government will be able to recognize those who brought prestige and honor to our Municipality, not just leaving all their efforts unnoticed.
- b. The Loon Summer Youth Festival. It packages summer fun activities and learning for the youth which includes three (3) major components, namely: Summerlympics, Youth and the Arts and Youth Convergence, which has two (2) components in U4U and Summer Youth Camp.

A major component under the Youth and the Arts is a Summer Music Camp which is envisioned to provide excellent training and quality musical education to enhance the talents and discover hidden potentials of the youth.

- c. Comprehensive Approach for Outstanding Athletes, Academic Winners and Excellent Talents. The LGU shall recognize the skills and talents of its young citizens especially in the fields of sports, academic, research and the arts. We have produces not only nationally acclaimed winners but also international winners. Hence the Municipal has been called the Municipal of Champions. In order to sustain such momentum, programs to enhance the skills and talents of the youth, as well as mechanism for their participation to competitions, and incentives for winning are hereby upheld by the Municipal Government. These are the following
1. Continuing conduct of year-round competitions in order in to lay down the Foundations for the athletes, intellectual students and talents to excel further;
 2. Provision of support in the form of travelling expenses and per diem for their participation to competitions and activities outside of the Municipality ;
 3. Institutionalization of cash incentives programs, such as Parangal sa Manlalaro for winners in sports competitions and awards for Children and Youth Excellence Program (ACYEDP) for winners in competitions in the arts, research, search and toppers in Licensure Examinations; and
 4. A Memorandum of Agreement for participation of these winners to the different Festivals of the Municipal would hereby be sanctioned in order to ensure return service for the Municipal support to these outstanding athletes and talents.

ARTICLE V POLITICAL RIGHTS OF THE YOUTH

SECTION 1. PARTICIPATION OF THE YOUTH IN DECISION-MAKING- PROCESS. It is important to consult and provide venue for the expression of the youth's view in municipal policies. Consistent to this, it is necessary that the youth sector is convened once a year, specifically during the youth month, which shall be decided by the Loon Municipal Local Youth Development Council as to when shall it be held, such that the youth's clamor and needs shall collectively be heard.

SECTION 2. YOUTH PARTICIPATION RIGHTS.

- a. Every youth has the right to congregate and form associations; as such they have the right to autonomously determine the type of organization, exercise their own initiative and act responsibly on their own so as to achieve their desired goals, provided however, that such associations are not contrary to law or public welfare;
- b. Every youth has the inherent right to take an active part in public life, and to contribute to the common good of his community and fellow citizens;
- c. Every youth has the right to initiate programs, projects and activities that are not contrary to law or public welfare;
- d. Every youth has the right to be accorded any form of counsel, advisement, guidance, and reprimand in any undertaking fundamental to the needs and well-being if his sector;

- e. Every youth has the right to commit, engage, and be involved in any form of endeavor, necessary in the full development of their sector's interest and society as a whole;
- f. Every youth and youth association or organization has the right to seek and avail of encouragement through technical, educational, and financial support from the appropriate agencies concerned;
- g. Every youth has the right to demand for an environment that is not in conflict with the nature of employment and/or endeavor they have chosen to partake in; and
- h. No youth shall be deprived of his right to participate in activities vital to his and his society's growth and development on the basis of race, gender, creed, ideology, economic status, cultural and organizational affinity, abilities, and/or educational attainment

SECTION 3. YOUTH POLICIES. The Loon Local Youth Development Council may be given delegation by the Municipal Government in terms of planning and policy-making especially on issues involving and directly affecting the youth provided policies affecting the youth sector in the municipality should be reacted by the Sangguniang Bayan.

SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE PARTICIPATION. As the future leaders of the country, the youth shall demonstrate sincerity and enthusiasm in their effort to help build the country with a firsthand knowledge for allowing intelligent, responsible, and deserving youth to take the reign of government of the Municipality of Loon for a certain period and perform at least, the routine functions of the elected and ex-officio government officials and/or plan and actualize programs and projects more specifically those affecting and requiring youth involvement.

SECTION 5. LOON MUNICIPAL JUNIOR OFFICIALS PROGRAM. The Loon Municipal Junior Officials Program shall be institutionalized, implemented, and thereafter maintained by the Municipal Government of Loon through the Loon Youth Development Council in coordination/cooperation with the DILG to serve as a venue for future leaders to be able to gain first-hand knowledge of government functions as related to community problems and development.

- 1.) Qualifications of the Loon Municipal Junior Officials. Qualifications of applicant/nominees to the of Loon Municipal Junior Officials (LMJO) are as follows:
 1. Must be a bona fide resident of Loon for not less than six (6) months prior to the application;
 2. High School student, ages 14 to 17 years old;
 3. Must belong to the school's honors list or the student supreme government;
 4. Must be nominated by the school principal or administrator;
 5. Must possess a good moral character, duly certified by the school head;
 6. Must not be a previous recipient of the programs.
- 2.) Selection Process of Loon Municipal Junior Officials.
 1. The principal or any authorized representative may indorse ten (10) applicants who shall represent the school;
 2. The applicant shall submit his or her application letter, together with the endorsement letter of the principal or authorized representative to the programs secretariat;
 3. The applicant shall undergo a competitive examination in order to gauge his or her mental fitness;

4. After the examination, there shall be a short-listing of applicant, allowing only the top twenty –five (25) examines to undergo the oral interview of the selection process;
5. There shall be an oral interview and the top 16 applicants, after summing up the result of the examination and oral interview, shall be successfully chosen for the program; and
6. There shall be a Basic Orientation Seminar for the 16 Junior Officials, by which they will select among themselves thru secret balloting or viva voce the Junior Municipal Mayor, the Junior Vice- Mayor and the remaining 8 as Junior Municipal Councilors, and 2 ex-officio officials and 2 secretariats, respectively.

3.) Functions, Duties and Responsibilities of the Loon Municipal Junior Officials

1. The Junior Municipal Mayor

- a. Observance of the nature and functions of the Executive Department;
- b. Accompany the Municipal Mayor in his/her public functions except in circumstances requiring necessary protocol;
- c. Visit and consult with the heads of the different offices in the Loon Municipal Government;
- d. Perform some functions of the Local Chief Executive except in the areas which are policy determining or requiring monetary disbursement; and
- e. Address the Executive Meetings of the Loon Municipal Junior Officials.

2. The Junior Municipal Vice- Mayor

- a. Observance of the nature and functions of the Legislative Department;
- b. Accompany the Municipal Vice- Mayor in his/her public functions, except in circumstances requiring necessary protocol;
- c. Visit and consult with heads of the different divisions of the Sangguniang Bayan;
- d. Attend Committee Hearing and Public Consultations of the different committees in the Sangguniang Bayan; and
- e. Preside over the Sessions of Loon Municipal Junior Officials

3. The Municipal Junior Councilors and Junior Ex- Officio Officials

- a. Observance of the nature and functions of the counterpart Municipal Councilor;
- b. Accompany the counterpart of Municipal Councilor in his/her public functions, except in circumstances requiring necessary protocol;
- c. Attend Committee Hearings and Public Consultations of the particular committees handled by the counterpart of Municipal Councilor;
- d. Assist the staff of the counterpart Municipal Councilor in entertaining clients and visitors; and
- e. Attend the Special Session of Loon Municipal Junior Officials and pass resolutions that are of importance for the welfare and development of the youth sector of the Municipality.

4. Oath Taking Term

1. Oath-taking – No qualifier may become a Loon Municipal Junior Official unless he/she took an Oath of Office which shall be held on the date specified by the Program Secretariat.
2. Term of Office – The Loon Municipal Junior Officials shall serve for one week which shall commence from the first working day until last working day of the third (3rd) week of November of every year.

ARTICLE VI RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE YOUTH

SECTION 1. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE YOUTH. Every youth, regardless of the circumstances of his birth, sex, religion, social status, political antecedents and other factors shall:

- a. Strive to lead an upright and virtuous life regardless of his religious and political affiliation, the teaching of his elders and mentors, and the biddings of a clean conscience;
- b. Love, respect and obey his parents, and cooperate with them in the strengthening of the Family;
- c. Extend to his brothers and sisters his love, thoughtfulness, and helpfulness, and endeavor with them to keep them harmonious and united;
- d. Exert his utmost capability to develop his potentialities for service, particularly by undergoing a formal education suited to his abilities, in order that he may become an asset to himself and to society;
- e. Respect not only his elders but also the customs and traditions of the people, the memory of our heroes, the duly constituted authorities, the laws of our country, and the principles and institutions of democracy;
- f. Participate actively in civic affairs and in the promotion of the general welfare, always bearing in mind that it is the youth who will eventually be called upon to discharge the responsibility of leadership the nation's future; and
- g. Help in the observation of individual human rights, the strengthening of freedom everywhere, the fostering of cooperation among nations in the pursuit of their common aspirations for programs and posterity, and the furtherance of world peace.

SECTION 2. YOUTH MARSHALL. There shall be created a "Youth Marshall" composed of virtuous and model youth with courage, determination and commitment who are at least 18 years of age. Upon recommendation by the Municipal Youth Development Council, they shall be appointed and tasked by the Honorable Mayor to form part of the Youth Development Program of the LGU. Subject to the supervision of the Municipal Youth Development Council and Office of the Mayor, the Youth Marshall shall voluntarily cooperate and coordinate with the DILG, PNP and other municipal and barangay law enforcement authorities in the implementation of the laws and ordinances, and assist to other activities that are organized and implemented by the municipal and barangay LGUs.

As the need arises, the Local Government Unit of Loon shall provide financial, logistical or technical assistance to any Youth Marshall who encounters any incident accruing in the performance of their duty.

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the cardinal virtues of prudence, temperance, fortitude and justice; the vertical virtues of Godliness, prayerfulness, humility, determination, sincerity, commitment, courage, bravery, fidelity, loyalty and dedication; the horizontal virtues of respect, politeness, understanding, cooperation, coordination, responsibility, action-agad, availability; the economic virtues of generosity, kindness, charity, mercy, resourcefulness, budget, industry, creativity, gratitude; the social virtues of discipline, goodliness, flexibility, patience, peace, harmony, preparedness, solidarity, unity, teamwork, friendship, punctuality; the general virtues of thoughtfulness, production, durability, security, liveliness; the embracing virtues of humility, patience, cleanliness, trust, hospitality, repentance, forgiveness, obedience, and all other virtues that make the youth a future leader and fruitful member of the society.

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FINAL PROVISIONS**

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UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

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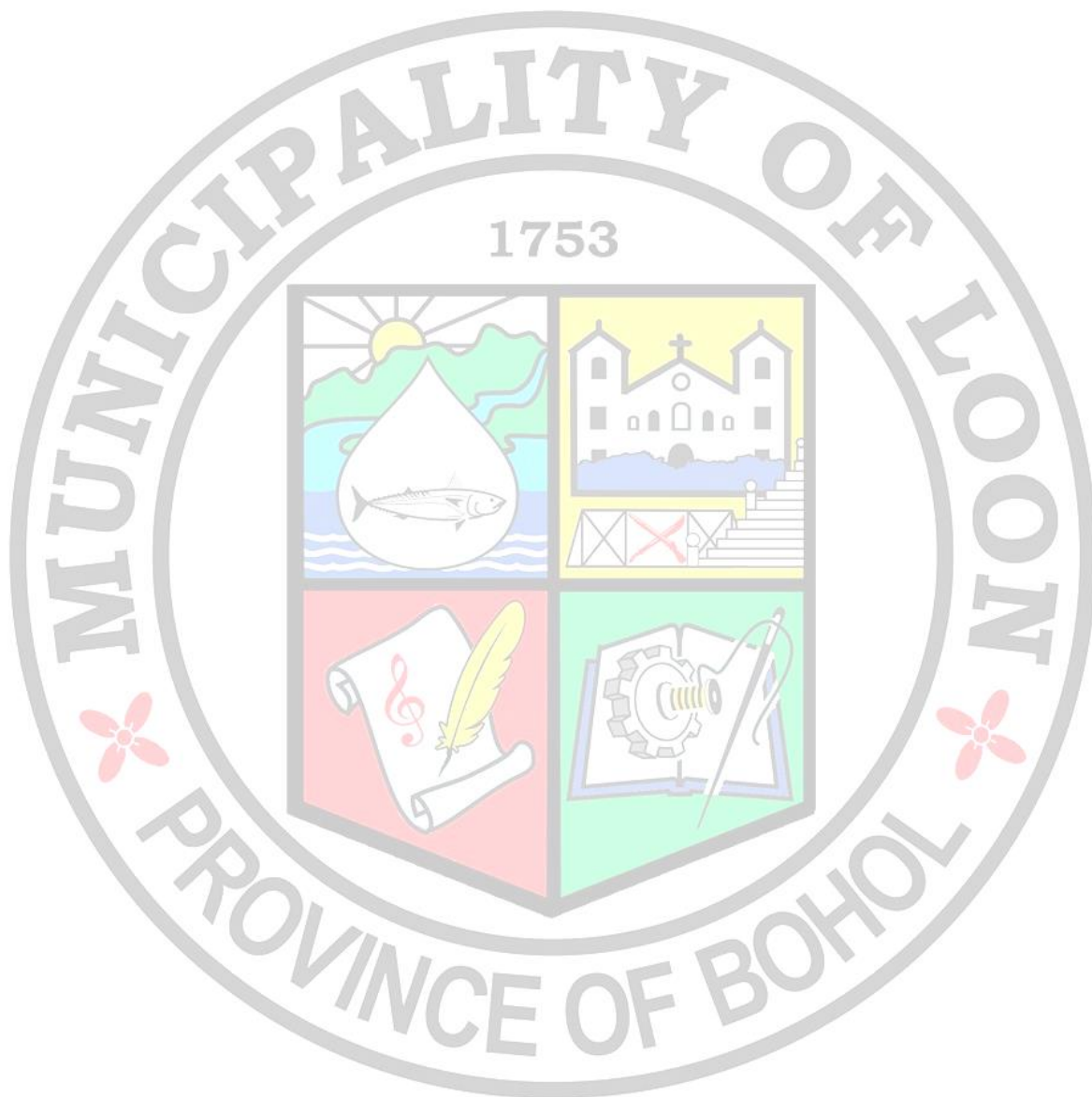
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