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MUNICIPALITY OF LOON

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 144th REGULAR SESSION OF THE 8TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF LOON, PROVINCE OF BOHOL HELD ON THE 5th DAY OF APRIL, 2004 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL-

PRESENT: Hon. Cesar R. Pedrigal, SB Member, Acting Presiding Officer
Hon. Fortunato N. Garay, SB Member
Hon. Zenon R. Perez, SB Member
Hon. Titus Clark U. Miranda, SB Member
Hon. Hermenegildo M. California, SB Member
Hon. Nicolas M. Labastilla, SB Member
Hon. Leticia M. Maratas, SB Member

OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Hon. Raul P. Barbarona, Vice Mayor, Presiding Officer
Hon. Edwin R. Ladeza, LnB President, Ex-Officio Member

ABSENT : Hon. Allan Rey M. Palban, SKMF President, Ex-Officio Member

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 04-004

Series of 2004

AN ORDINANCE ON THE INTENSIFICATION OF THE DISTRIBUTION, RETAILING AND USE OF IODIZED SALT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOON AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF –

(Introduced by: Honorable Zenon R. Perez)

“WHEREAS, iodine deficiency disorders involving physical and mental abnormalities, goiter, mental retardation, deaf-mutism, difficulty in standing or walking of the limbs and poor maternal health condition which load to stillbirths, miscarriages and infant deaths – are reportedly still a public health menace in the country;

“WHEREAS, the lowly table salt, if fortified with the iodine, appears to be the most viable option to combat the spread of the said iodine deficiency disorders considering that it is an essential ingredient in any food preparation for public health private consumption;

“WHEREAS, it is the policy of the state to promote salt iodization nationwide as mandated by the “ASIN” Law;

“WHEREAS, Section 17 of the Local Government Code of 1991 stipulates that local public health and social services agencies have the obligation to take good care of the health of their constituents specifically in the eradication of iodine deficiency disorder;

“NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the 8th Sangguniang Bayan of Loon, in session duly assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE – This ordinance shall be known as “An Ordinance on the intensification of the distribution, retailing and use of iodized salt in the Municipality of Loon and providing penalties for violation therefore

SECTION 2. POLICY – It is hereby declared a policy of the Local Government of Loon, Bohol to comply with the state policy to protect and promote the health of the people, to maintain an effective food regulatory system, and to provide the entire population especially women and children with proper nutrition vis-à-vis the use of iodized salt as mandated by Republic Act No 8172 otherwise known as “An Act for Salt Iodization Nationwide (ASIS)”,

SECTION 3. PROHIBITION – It shall be unlawful for any owner, proprietor and/or manager of business establishments to sell non-iodized salt, and food outlets such as, but not limited to restaurants, canteens, hotels, caterers and hospitals as well as food manufacturers or processors to use the same as ingredient in the preparation of food or human consumption;

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS – For purposes of this ordinance, the following terms shall be constructed as follows:

Iodized Salt – refers to table salt fortified with iodine.

Business Establishments – refers to business entities engaged in the production, distribution, trading, supplying and retailing of salt.

Food outlets – refers to business entities engaged in the preparation and retailing of food such as restaurants, canteens, hotels, caterers, hospitals, fast food joint, and other similar establishment.

Non-Iodized Salt – refers to table salt not fortified with iodine.

Manager – refers to the person who is in charge of the everyday affairs and operation of business.

Proprietor – refers to the owner of a business and holder of the proprietor rights of the business establishment.

Owner – refers to the person duly registered by laws as owner of the business establishment concerned.

SECTION 5. COVERAGE – The scope of the implementation of this ordinance shall cover any owner, proprietor and/or manager of the business establishment and/ or food outlet operating in the Municipality of Loon as defined by Section 3 of this ordinance;

SECTION 6. ENFORCEMENT AND MONITORING – In order to effectively and efficiently implement this ordinance, the Municipal Task Force on Iodized Salt shall be created, composed of the following Members and a Chairman to be appointed by the Mayor, whose term of office shall be co-terminus with the appointing authority unless sooner terminated for whatever causes/s;

- a) Mayor or any authorized representative - Chairman
- b) Chairperson of the Committee on Health - Vice-Chairman
- c) Municipal Health Officer - Member
- d) Representative of the BFAD - Member
- e) Three (3) Representatives of the Private Sector-Member

SECTION 7. FUNCTIONS – The Municipal Task Force on Iodized Salt shall be tasked to do the following:

- a) Lead on the ground conduct of advocacy and dissemination of information relative to Republic Act No. 8172 otherwise known as ASIN Law;
- b) Act as an Advisory Body to the Executive Branch of the Municipal Government of Loon,]on policy formulation/development, program conceptualization, planning and monitoring towards the promotion on the use of iodized salt;
- c) Act as a Monitoring Body in the implementation of RA No.8172 and other policies approved and adopted by the Municipal Government of Loon germane tot the use of iodized salt;
- d) Recommend to the Bureau of Food and Drug (BFAD) the filing of criminal, civil and/or administrative cases against violators of RA No. 8172;
- e) Deputize all public market supervisors and other personnel assigned in the government-administered markets to strictly monitor the trading and/or sale of salt in the public markets, as well as, assist the appropriate government agencies in confiscation of non-iodized salt; and
- f) Submit a quarterly progress report to the Office of the Mayor.

SECTION 8. SECRETARIAT – The Municipal Health Office shall serve as the Secretariat for purposes of administrative and/or technical staff support of the Municipal Task Force on Iodized Salt and shall be responsible for the following:

- a) Coordinate the Activities of the Task Force;
- b) Serve as the center of communication by receiving and disseminating information from and to members of the Task Force;

- c) Document meetings and other activities of the Task Force;
- d) Keep all the records of the Task Force;
- e) Perform other functions as may be assigned by the Chairperson of the Task Force;

SECTION 9. FUNDING – The municipal Task Force shall prepare and submit for the approval of the Mayor a budget to cover operational expenses to include maintenance and other operational expenses, honoraria and such other expenses to be incurred in the discharge of its responsibility

SECTION 10 PENALTY – At the discretion of a court of competent jurisdiction, any person, whether natural or judicial who violate Sections 2 and 3 of this ordinance shall be penalized in accordance to Rule VIII, Section 1 RA 8172 otherwise known as the ASIN Law.

SECTION 11. SAVING CLAUSE – Should any part or parts of this ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other parts not so declared shall remain in force and effect.

SECTION 12 REPEALING CLAUSE – Any other ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent therewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 13. EFFECTIVITY – This ordinance shall take effect after hour (4) consecutive weeks of its posting in all offices and department of this Municipal Government and at the public posting placed of the Sangguniang Bayan.

“APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.”

I hereby certify to the correctness of the above-quoted Municipal Ordinance.

A T T E S T E D:

FIDELINO P. CORITICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

CESAR R. PEDRIGAL
SB Member
(Acting Presiding Officer)

A P P R O V E D:

CESAR TOMAS M. LOPEZ, M.D.
Municipal Mayor

Date Approved: April 6, 2004