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TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE 49TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 21ST SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF SURIGAO DEL SUR HELD AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, CAPITOL HILLS, TELAJE, TANDAG CITY, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR ON JUNE 30, 2026

PRESENT:

Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr.

- Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan
(Temporary Presiding Officer)

Regular Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members:

District I

Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel
Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon
Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr.

District II

Hon. Joey S. Pama
Hon. Margarita G. Garay
Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo
Hon. Raul K. Salazar

Ex-Officio Members:

Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod

- Indigenous Peoples Mandatory
Representative (IPMR), Surigao del
Sur Chapter

Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno

- President, Provincial Chapter of the
Liga ng mga Barangay sa Pilipinas

ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez

- President, Panlalawigang Pederasyon
ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan

ABSENT:

On Sick Leave:

Hon. Ruel D. Momo

- Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan

Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr.

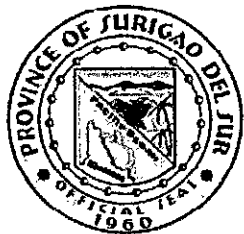
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On Special Privilege Leave:

Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel

- President, Philippine Councilors'
League, Surigao del Sur Chapter

The session started at **9:38** in the morning.



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ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Pursuant to our House Rules, the Body may elect from among themselves who the Temporary Presiding Officer in today's session considering that our Vice Governor is now the Acting Provincial Governor.

HON. AZARCON:

In view of the incident and considering that our Honorable Vice Governor Manuel O. Alameda, Sr. is now the Acting Governor. I respectfully move to nominate Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr. to be the Temporary Presiding Officer for the 49th Regular Session of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan.

HON. PAMA:

I second the motion.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr. is now nominated as the Temporary Presiding Officer in today's session. May I request the Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members, visitors and staff to please stand.

NOTE: (Everybody stood up)

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

The 49th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan will now please come to order.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

We will now have an Invocation to be led by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, to be followed by the singing of the Pambansang Awit and the Surigao del Sur Hymn through multi-media presentation.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Everybody is requested to respect and honor the presence of our Lord God Almighty.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Almighty and Ever Loving God, we bow our heads before You today with grateful hearts for the gift of life, wisdom and the privilege to serve the people of the Province of Surigao del Sur. Lord, we come together as public servants entrusted with the welfare of our communities and we humbly seek Your divine guidance as we start this 49th Regular Session today.



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Father God, we pray for Your blessings, bless our leaders, bless our Governor, bless the Vice Governor and the Honorable Members of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan. Grant us the spirit of discernment, integrity and compassion so that our decisions may always promote justice, unity, and progress for every Surigaonon.

Please, Father God, enlighten our minds so we may deliberate with clarity, respect one another, and hope for a steadfast dedication to the greater good. Guide our hands as we address the needs of our constituents and give us the strength to overcome any challenges that lie ahead. May our actions today and always reflect your love and purpose.

Lord, keep us safe, even our families, Father God. Wherever they are, wherever they may be, Lord, we pray that wherever we go, You will go before us. You will go ahead of us. Lord God, send forth Your angels, cover us with Your most precious blood, O Lord Jesus. Protect us from all harm and all the plans of the evil, Lord God. You are our protector, Lord God. Keep us safe, prosperous, and united under your divine protection. *Kining tanan Ginoo, apil ang among mga pag-ampo Lord nga naa sa among huna-huna ug kasing-kasing Ginoo, among mga plano sa kinabuhi, plano sa among personal nga pamilya, plano sa among pagserbisyo sa imong katawhan, Lord. Amo kining isang-at kanimo Father God ug kung mahimuot ikaw niini Lord, we pray nga mahitabo kini in Your perfect time and in Your perfect will. All these Father God, we pray in Your most Holy Name, and in the Mighty Name of Your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.*

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

NOTE: (Everybody directed their attention to the widescreen and sung the Pambansang Awit and Surigao del Sur Hymn.)

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Our Secretary, is requested to call the roll.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Hon. Manuel O. Alameda, Sr.	-	Acting Provincial Governor
Hon. Ruel D. Momo	-	On Sick Leave
Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel	-	Here
Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr.	-	On Sick Leave
Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon	-	Present
Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr.	-	Here
Hon. Joey S. Pama	-	Present
Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr.	-	Present
Hon. Margarita G. Garay	-	Present
Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo	-	Present
Hon. Raul K. Salazar	-	Present
Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod	-	Present
Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel	-	On Special Privilege Leave
Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno	-	Present
Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez	-	On Official Business



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Honorable Presiding Officer, there are ten (10) Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members in attendance.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Since there are ten (10) Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan present, so the Chair declares a quorum. Please proceed, Madam Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Approval and adoption of the Order of Business of the 49th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur dated June 30, 2026.

HON. AZARCON:

May I be recognized, Honorable Presiding Officer?

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Yes, Hon. Azarcon, please proceed.

HON. AZARCON:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer. I believe that a copy of the agenda for the 49th Regular Session has been distributed and have been read by the Members of the Sanggunian. If there is no objection, I would like now to move for the approval and adoption of the Order of Business or Agenda for the 49th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur.

HON. PAMA AND HON. GUNO:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

There is a motion by Hon. Azarcon for the adoption and approval of the agenda, and jointly seconded by Hon. Pama and Hon. Melanie Joy Momo-Guno. Is there any further discussion? Hearing none. The motion is hereby approved.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Approval and adoption of the Minutes of the previous session, the Minutes of the 48th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur dated June 23, 2026 prepared by Ms. Genevieve M. Cagalawan, Local Legislative Staff Officer IV.



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HON. AZARCON:

I likewise believe that the Minutes of the 48th Regular Session of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan held at the Legislative Hall, Capitol of the South, has been distributed to each Member of this Body and if there's no objection, I would like now to move for the approval and adoption of the said Minutes of the 48th Regular Session.

HON. PAMA AND HON. GUNO:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Azarcon, and jointly seconded by Hon. Pama and Hon. Guno. Any objection or further discussion? Hearing none. The motion is hereby approved.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Approval and adoption of the Transcript of Proceedings of the 48th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur dated June 23, 2026 prepared by Ms. Metzi Ann D. Obaob, Senior Administrative Assistant I.

HON. AZARCON:

Obviously, a Transcript of Proceedings of the 48th Regular Session has been prepared and distributed to each Member of this Body and if there are no objections, I would now like to move for the approval and adoption of the Transcript of Proceedings of the 48th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan held last June 23, 2026.

HON. GUNO AND HON. GARAY:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

There's a motion for the approval of the Transcript of Proceedings, jointly seconded by Hon. Garay and Hon. Guno. Is there any further discussion or questions? Hearing none. The motion is hereby approved.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

We have no visitors for **Question Hour/Visitors' Hour**.

Next, is the **Privilege Hour**.



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HON. AZARCON:

For the Privilege Hour, Honorable Presiding Officer, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., I would like to ask Honorable Presiding Officer that the following Members of this August Body be acknowledged and recognized and be given the floor to deliver their respective Privilege Speeches for today. First in line, I would like to ask the gentleman from Barobo, Hon. Joey S. Pama and to be followed by the gentleman down under, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel and at the tail-end of course, this representation. Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Thank you, Hon. Azarcon. The Honorable Joey S. Pama is now recognized to deliver his Privilege Speech.

HON. PAMA:

Good morning, Honorable Presiding Officer as well as the rest of my colleagues, and to our beautiful and handsome Secretariat, good morning. Honorable Presiding Officer, I just received a letter this morning a certified urgent by the Office of the Provincial Governor and the Acting Governor Hon. Manuel "Mangi" Alameda, Sr.. It is with regards Honorable Presiding Officer with the Resolution accrediting the Maxicare Health Care Corporation as Health Maintenance Organization provider for the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur.

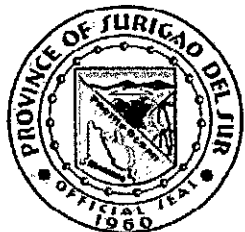
Second, Honorable Presiding Officer, there is also an urgent request from the Office of the Governor to authorize the Acting Provincial Governor to enter and sign a "Conforme", a contract between the Province and Maxicare on the provision of HMO to our employees, Honorable Presiding Officer.

At this juncture, Honorable Presiding Officer, this matter was submitted to the Provincial Legal Officer and having the recommendation on the proposed amendments on Ordinance No. 23, Series of 2014 as requested by the Provincial Health Officer for the Body's information and appropriate action, Honorable Presiding Officer. Actually, Honorable Presiding Officer, to be honest, it's supposed to be what we call MOA should be reviewed by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan but since there is an urgency Honorable Chair, I just wanted to discuss more on the matter especially with our colleagues. It is fortunate for us that we have lawyers to review because I just received this, Honorable Chair, then I will have to recommend this for the approval even though to be honest that I was not able to review this recommendations. But anyway, Honorable Chair after this Privilege Speech that I have, if this will be considered maybe having the chance to talk with the Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and we will be conforming with this all of us here that we are going to proceed with this legislation for the accreditation and giving the authority to sign in behalf of the Province with our Acting Governor Honorable Manuel O. Alameda, Sr..

Can we have a recess, Honorable Chair?

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Okay, 5 minutes recess.



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HON. PAMA:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer.

NOTE: (Recess at 9:57 in the morning.)

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Okay, session will now resume.

NOTE: (Session resumed at 10:02 in the morning.)

HON. PAMA:

So may I continue, Honorable Presiding Officer? So, after the recess, Honorable Presiding Officer, we have agreed with some of the legal minds of the Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and I understand that it is very beneficial to all of the employees of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur. However, Honorable Presiding Officer, there's question or doubt on this matter Honorable Presiding Officer, so I would like to request Honorable Presiding Officer to just refer back to the Committee on Health, Sanitation and Nutrition and Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability. So, I therefore move, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Okay, thank you so much for the very honest Board Member. Please take note Secretary that the matter will be referred to the Committee for further discussion to the Committee on Health, Sanitation and Nutrition and the Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Noted, your honor.

HON. PAMA:

May I take this opportunity, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Please proceed.

HON. PAMA:

Another insertion of another issue, Honorable Presiding Officer. We understand Honorable Presiding Officer that our Local Chief Executive is really campaigning on anti-illegal mining and continuously Honorable Presiding Officer it always happened in the Municipality of Barobo and sometimes in the Municipality of Tagbina. However, Honorable Presiding Officer there is always a problem with regards to the illegal miners and the implementor, Honorable Presiding Officer in which sometimes *nagdakop na isab sa* Barobo unlike before that I have



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reported and I was able to call the PNP in Cutlog, Barobo because accordingly there was a report in the social media that these people, these small scale miners, Honorable Presiding Officer they cannot do complaints because of course, they are doing illegal also. Then I told, because you are doing illegal, *ayaw mo katingala kung ilegalon pud mo pagdakop*, Honorable Presiding Officer.

As I mentioned before, because when the authority executed the illegal mining, they include the confiscation of the equipment of the illegal miners, *kadtong pangsuyp, unsay tawag ana*, all of those paraphernalias for small-scale mining. They included also the cell phone, they included the money, they included the gold, which they have processed already. So, again, Honorable Presiding Officer, as I scrolled on the Facebook, *kasi mahilig din naman ako minsan sa Facebook, kagaya naman ni Senator Cayetano*, I hope so *na wala naman nagagalit sa akin*, Honorable Chair, with my colleagues.

Another issue, Honorable Presiding Officer, which I have scrolled into the Facebook, a lady who is crying, *nagpakiluoy nga dili sila dakpon sa PNP*. In which another, "*hulidap*" was executed according to them. That was their allegation. However, Honorable Presiding Officer, I just wanted to make it clear, as an ordinary resident of the Municipality of Barobo, because they have confiscated a lot of *kana bitaw unsa na nga makina kanang pagsuyop*, water pump, Honorable Presiding Officer. Accordingly, they did not coordinate with the Barangay Government and the Municipal Government. So may I request, Honorable Chair, because we are in the Province, *ang atong PENRO-LGU* to investigate on this matter, and provide us the tool or the equipment, that was confiscated by the PNP and report it here, so that we can scrutinize Honorable Chair, what really happened, what really transpired, because this is a very serious matter for me, Honorable Chair. Even though this is illegal, but it also affect the economy of the individual who are looking for money to survive, Honorable Chair.

So may I pass a Resolution, Honorable Chair, to our PENRO-LGU to investigate with this matter, all forms of illegal mining in the Municipality of Barobo, and nearby Municipalities and submit a report in the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Honorable Presiding Officer. So, I therefore move, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Please take note, Secretary. Have it calendered under Unassigned Business/Privilege Business the proposed Resolution of Hon. Pama.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Noted, your honor.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Thank you. Next to deliver a Privilege Speech is Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer. Good morning, Honorable Presiding Officer, the distinguished Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., to the distinguished Members of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan, we are led by the distinguished Majority Floor Leader, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, to our Secretary Sir Edgar G. Perez II, Asst. Secretary Ma'am Marites



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Coma-Arreza and the rest of the Secretariat, Staff, everybody present, good morning. Honorable Presiding Officer, the Office of the Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan was in a receipt of a letter from the Office of the Provincial Governor dated June 17, 2026. I would like to request that I will be allowed to read the letter, Honorable Presiding Officer?

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Please proceed.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer. The Honorable Members, Office of the Provincial Council, this province thru Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Acting Vice Governor and Presiding Officer. Sir, Greetings! May we respectfully request an urgent passage of a Sangguniang Panlalawigan Resolution authorizing the Acting Provincial Governor to enter into and sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Education duly represented by its Schools Division Superintendent Dr. Lorenzo O. Macasocol, CESO V for the implementation of the Gulayan sa Paaralan Program (GPP). Truly yours, signed Manuel O. Alameda, Sr., Acting Provincial Governor.

Attached to the aforesaid letter was the 2nd indorsement dated June 17, 2026 from Atty. Lemuel L. Auza, the Provincial Legal Officer. Then another attachment is the 1st indorsement to Atty. Auza also from the Acting Provincial Governor Manuel O. Alameda, Sr. then what precipitated this request, Honorable Presiding Officer is the letter-request from the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist in the person of Mr. Esmeraldo S. Raymundo. Last attachment is the draft Memorandum of Agreement to be signed on behalf of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur by the Acting Governor Manuel O. Alameda, Sr. and on behalf of the Department of Education to be signed by Dr. Lorenzo O. Macasocol, CESO V for the DepEd. So with that, Honorable Presiding Officer, this humble representation will sponsor the passage of a Resolution "Authorizing the Acting Provincial Governor Manuel O. Alameda Sr., to Sign the Memorandum of Agreement for the Implementation of the Gulayan sa Paaralan Program on behalf of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur". That's all for this representation, thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer. Thank you very much my dear and esteemed colleagues. Good morning once again.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Thank you, Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel.

The Honorable Antonio C. Azarcon is now recognized.

HON. AZARCON:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer, and once again good morning. Good morning to my distinguished colleagues, and of course, the amazing staff of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and our visitors who are still coming. I rise during this Privilege Hour to deliver two important concerns. First, is yesterday, June 29, 2026, I attended the Second Quarter Provincial Development Council's Meeting. It was duly attended by the Local Chief Executives of the Province and the concerned offices. During that meeting, we discussed, deliberated, and approved through a Resolution the 3rd Supplemental Annual Investment Program of the Province.



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The funding of this, definitely would be coming from the Savings accumulated during the past year. Mostly it was lodged from the operation of our District Hospitals. Correspondingly, of course, it will also be devoted to the same sector of our province, the health sector. So therefore, considering that the Honorable Acting Governor, Manuel O. Alameda, Sr. has certified urgent the passage of a Resolution approving the said 3rd Supplemental Annual Investment Program of the Province for Calendar Year 2026. I will therefore, if there are no objections from the floor, would like to pass a Resolution during the Unassigned Business/Privilege Business, for the approval of the 3rd Supplemental Annual Investment Program of the Province.

Second concern, we know that the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is fast approaching and the Province wants to contribute something for a passage possibly of a Resolution. Therefore, our Acting Governor has signified that he wants an Ordinance to be passed. It's an Ordinance "Mandating Periodic Drug Testing, it will be Governing the Elective and Appointed Provincial Officials, Regular Employees, Job Order, and Contract of Service Personnel of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur in Furtherance of the Public Accountability, Integrity, and Efficient Public Service, and for Other Purposes".

Well, considering that this will definitely call for discussion and deliberation, and possibly, violent objection. I will therefore, like to ask that this matter will be referred to the Committee on Health, Sanitation and Nutrition and the Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability Chaired by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel and the Committee on Health, Sanitation and Nutrition Chaired by Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Vice-Chaired by Hon. Joey S. Pama, the honest Board Member. So, at least, we have some kind of an honest Board Member that will deliberate on this matter. This is a very controversial issue considering that we know that the move to have also a mandated drug testing for application for Driver's License has already been lifted by the LTO, because it's traversing into certain human rights violations according to the Human Rights Advocates, not like me. So with this, Honorable Presiding Officer, I would like this to be referred to the said Committees. That will be all, thank you very much.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Thank you so much, Hon. Azarcon. On the first issue under Unassigned Business/Privilege Business, can we request the Secretariat that all the Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, since it is a Supplemental Annual Investment Program, be given a copy for their perusal while waiting until the point that we will discuss it under Unassigned Business/Privilege Business.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Noted, Your Honor.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Thank you. Then on the second issue, please take note that it shall be referred to the Committee on Health, Sanitation and Nutrition and Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability. Is there any insertion? None. So, let's proceed with the Order of Business, Madam Secretary.



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ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

For the **Calendar of Business,**

We have none for **Unfinished Business,**

Business for the Day,

Committee Reports.

HON. AZARCON:

In the absence of the Chairman of the Committee on Rules, Privileges and Ethics, Hon. Jun-Jun Dumagan, who is on Sick Leave. There are twelve (12) Committee Reports submitted by the respective Chairpersons of their respective Committees. I believe that all the Members have gone through of the copies of the Committee Reports, and if there are no objections, I would like to move for an omnibus motion approving all the twelve (12) Committee Reports rendered, submitted by the respective Chairpersons, viz:

1. Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure;
2. Committees on Tourism, Culture, Arts and Heritage (Lead Committee)/Laws and Justice and Human Rights;
3. Committee on Tourism, Culture, Arts and Heritage;
4. Committees on Sports, Games and Amusement (Lead Committee)/Finance and Appropriation;
5. Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation;
6. Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability;
7. Committee on Finance and Appropriation;
8. Committees on Finance and Appropriation (Lead Committee)/Laws and Justice and Human Rights;
9. Committee on Health, Sanitation and Nutrition;
10. Committee on Education;
11. Committee on Social Services and Community Development, Differently Abled or Persons with Disabilities and Senior Citizens; and
12. Committee on Cooperatives and Livelihood.

HON. MONTESCLAROS, JR., HON. PAMA AND HON. CAÑEDO:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Azarcon, jointly seconded by Hon. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Pama and Hon. Cañedo. Any further discussion? Hearing none. Motion is hereby approved for the omnibus approval of all the twelve (12) Committee Reports.



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ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Next, is the referral of items 1 to 15 to respective Committees under First Reading and Referral to Committees, viz:

**Referred To: Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change
Adaptation**

1. Ordinance No. LP-04 dated May 12, 2026 of the Municipality of Tago, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Annual Observance of National Disaster Resilience Month in the Municipality of Tago, Surigao del Sur, Every July, Providing Funds Thereof, and for Other Purposes". 26-05990

Referred To: Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability

2. Ordinance No. 20 dated June 9, 2026 of the Municipality of San Agustin, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Establishing the Senior Citizens Grievance and Appeal Committee (SCGAC) Under the Office of the Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) of the Municipality of San Agustin, Surigao del Sur, Defining its Composition, Functions and Duties, Prescribing its Procedures, and Providing Funds Therefor". 26-05985
3. Ordinance No. LP-05 dated May 12, 2026 of the Municipality of Tago, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Retitling Certain Positions in the Approved Plantilla of Personnel of the Municipal Government of Tago, Surigao del Sur". 26-05991
4. Ordinance No. 15 dated June 1, 2026 of the Municipality of Bayabas, this Province entitled "Institutionalizing the Feedback Mechanism and Grievance Redress System (FMGRS) of the Municipal Government of Bayabas, Surigao del Sur, and Providing its Implementing Guidelines". 26-05992

Referred To: Committee on Environmental Protection and Ecology

5. Ordinance No. 13 dated June 16, 2026 of the Municipality of Cortes, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Establishing the Eco-Brick Incentive Program of the Municipality of Cortes, Surigao del Sur, Providing for the Collection and Conversion of Non-biodegradable Plastic Waste Into Eco-Bricks and Granting Incentives in the Form of Rice, Household Commodities, and School Supplies, and for Other Purposes". 26-05984

**Referred To: Committees on Urban Planning and Development (Lead Committee)/
Finance and Appropriation**

6. Resolution No. 2026-477 dated June 2, 2026 of the City of Bislig, this Province entitled "Resolution Approving the City Development Council Resolution No. 5, Series of 2026, 'Endorsing the Supplemental Annual Investment Program (AIP) No. 7 for Calendar Year (CY) 2026 Amounting to One Hundred Sixty-Two Million Four Hundred One Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Two Pesos and Fifty Centavos (PHP162,401,462.50)". 26-05987



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7. Resolution No. 172-2026 dated June 15, 2026 of the Municipality of Cantilan, this Province entitled "A Resolution Endorsing MDC Resolution No. 01, Series of 2026, Approving the First Supplemental Annual Investment Program (AIP) for FY 2026 of the Municipality of Cantilan, Surigao del Sur, in the Amount of Thirty-Five Million Pesos (P35,000,000.00)". 26-05988
8. Resolution No. 150 dated June 15, 2026 of the Municipality of Carrascal, this Province entitled "A Resolution Approving the Supplemental Annual Investment Program (SAIP) No. 2 for Planning Year 2026 of the Municipality of Carrascal, Surigao del Sur in the Total Amount of Forty-One Million Seven Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Nine Pesos and 94/100 (P41,776,959.94)". 26-05989

**Referred To: Committee on Social Services and Community Development,
Differently Abled or Persons with Disabilities and Senior Citizens**

9. Ordinance No. 62 dated June 16, 2026 of the Municipality of Carmen, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Implementation of the Yakap Bayan Program in the Municipality of Carmen, Surigao del Sur, Defining its Objectives, Components, Organizational Structure, Appropriating Funds Therefor and for Other Purposes". 26-05994

Referred To: Committee on Laws and Justice and Human Rights

10. Ordinance No. 63 dated June 16, 2026 of the Municipality of Carmen, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Declaring the Month of September of Every Year as Philippine Councilor's League (PCL) Month in the Municipality of Carmen, Province of Surigao del Sur Appropriating Funds Therefor and for Other Purposes". 26-05995
11. Letter from Hon. Ira Minette C. Pimentel, Municipal Vice Mayor, Municipality of Tago, this Province, dated June 22, 2026 addressed to Mrs. Milagros E. Paqueo and Mr. John Robert E. Paqueo, Barangay Purisima, Municipality of Tago, this Province, copy furnished this Office, pertaining to the letter dated June 15, 2026 addressed to Hon. Ira Minette C. Pimentel and the Honorable Members of the Sangguniang Bayan (SB), requesting correction of Record regarding notable admissions by complaint in Case No. 02-2025. She informed the Body that the Decision has already been issued on Administrative Case No. 02-2025 on March 9, 2026. Accordingly, failure to file an appeal within the prescribed period means the decision of the Administrative Case becomes final and executory. She further informed the Body that the matter has effectively been resolved and is no longer proper for the rendition of any correction. The Office of the Sangguniang Bayan of Tago then respectfully declines to issue a further opinion on the matter, for the Body's information and appropriate action. 26-05999
12. Letter from Mrs. Milagros E. Paqueo and Mr. John Robert E. Paqueo, Barangay Purisima, Municipality of Tago, this Province, dated June 24, 2026 addressed to Hon. Ira Minette C. Pimentel and the Honorable Members of the Sangguniang Bayan (SB) of Tago, all of this Province copy furnished this Office with Subject: Reply to the Response Declining to Act on the Request for Correction of Record, for the Body's information and appropriate action. 26-06000



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Referred To: Committee on Transportation, Traffic, Ports and Terminal

13. Ordinance No. 64 dated June 16, 2026 of the Municipality of Carmen, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Prohibiting Public Utility Tricycle from Operating Without Complying with All the Necessary Requirements as Prescribed by Law and Municipal Ordinance Within the Municipality of Carmen, Province of Surigao del Sur and for Other Purposes". 26-05996

Referred To: Committee on Peace and Order, Public Safety and Anti-Illegal Drugs

14. Ordinance No. 65 dated June 16, 2026 of the Municipality of Carmen, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Prohibiting All Forms of Illegal Drag Racing and Reckless Speed Contest on All National, Provincial and Barangay Roads Within the Municipality of Carmen, Province of Surigao del Sur, Providing Penalties for Violations Thereof and for Other Purposes". 26-05997

Referred To: Committee on Health, Sanitation and Nutrition

15. Ordinance No. 66 dated June 16, 2026 of the Municipality of Carmen, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Establishing the Health and Sanitation Code of the Municipality of Carmen, Surigaodel Sur". 26-05998

None for **Information**.

and nine (9) items for **Second Reading**.

(Reading Item No. 1)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Local Government Units of the City of Bislig and the Municipality of Tagbina, Together with the Barangays of Maharlika and Tagongon, Province of Surigao del Sur, to Undertake the Clearing of Road Shoulders Along the Provincial Road and Bypass Road Within their Respective Jurisdictions".

HON. AZARCON:

With the authority coming from the Chairperson of the Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure, together with the Vice Chair, our Honorable Presiding Officer, if there are no objections from the floor, I would like to move for approval of this Resolution "Earnestly Requesting the Local Government Units of the City of Bislig and the Municipality of Tagbina, Together with the Barangays of Maharlika and Tagongon, Province of Surigao del Sur, to Undertake the Clearing of Road Shoulders Along the Provincial Road and Bypass Road Within their Respective Jurisdictions", for Second Reading.



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HON. PAMA AND HON. SALAZAR:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

There is a motion, jointly seconded by Hon. Pama and Hon. Salazar. Any further discussion? Hearing none. Motion is hereby approved in Second Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

(Reading Item No. 2)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 2026-53 Dated March 19, 2026 of the Municipality of Lingig, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Declaring "Lingig Lupa Nami" as the Official Hymn of the Municipality of Lingig, Surigao del Sur; Mandating its Singing or Playing During Flag Raising Ceremonies, Official Government Functions, Programs, Activities, and Other Public Celebrations of the Municipal Government; and Enjoining All Government Agencies, Private Establishments, Organizations, and Educational Institutions Within the Municipality to Adopt and Promote its Use in the Spirit of Unity, Cultural Identity, and Pride of Place', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991". 26-05942

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Yes, Hon. Cañedo.

HON. CAÑEDO:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer for recognizing. So, as the Chairman of the Committee on Tourism, Culture, Arts and Heritage, the action of this representation is to move for the approval of this Resolution which is to affirm the Ordinance No. 2026-53 of the Municipality of Lingig.

HON. GARAY, HON. PAMA AND HON. SALAZAR:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Cañedo, jointly seconded by Hon. Garay, Hon. Pama and Hon. Salazar. Any further discussion? Hearing none. Motion is approved for Second Reading.



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ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

(Reading Item No. 3)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 07 Dated June 2, 2026 of the Municipality of Cortes, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Amending Municipal Ordinance No. 07, Series of 2016 of Cortes, Surigao del Sur Otherwise Known as the "Kalogatan Festival Ordinance" Renaming the Festival to "Kadagatan Festival", and Changing the Official Celebration Dates to July 21-25 of Every Year', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991". 26-05946

HON. CAÑEDO:

Honorable Presiding Officer, in the same manner, as the Chairman of the Committee on Tourism, Culture, Arts and Heritage, the action of this representation is to move for the approval of this Resolution which is to affirm the Ordinance No. 07 of the Municipality of Cortes.

HON. GARAY, HON. PAMA, HON. SALAZAR AND HON. AZARCON:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Cañedo, jointly seconded by Hon. Garay, Hon. Pama, Hon. Salazar and Hon. Azarcon. Any further discussion? Hearing none. Motion is hereby approved.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

(Reading Item No. 4)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 19-26 Dated June 2, 2026 of the Municipality of Cagwait, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Establishing and Institutionalizing the Cagwait Operation Center (OPCEN) Defining its Functions and Providing Guidelines for the Activation/Deactivation and Operations of the Emergency Operation Center (EOC)', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991". 26-05961

HON. SALAZAR:

In behalf of the Chairman of this Committee, Hon. Dumagan, Jr., being the Vice Chairman, I would like to move for the approval of this Resolution for Second Reading.



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HON. GARAY, HON. PAMA, AND HON. AZARCON:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Salazar, jointly seconded by Hon. Garay, Hon. Pama and Hon. Azarcon. Any further discussion? Hearing none. Motion is hereby approved in Second Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

(Reading Item No. 5)

Ordinance No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Confirming/Ratifying the Approved Loan of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur with the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) in the Total Amount of Two Hundred Fifty Million Pesos Only (₱250,000,000.00) Pursuant to SP Resolution No. 708-26 Dated January 27, 2026" 26-05954

HON. AZARCON:

As Chair of the Committee on Finance and Appropriation, we have already an approved loan and I believe the Honorable Governor has already signed the approved loan, so we have no other recourse but to ratify that considering that it is also in order and valid. This is for the additional building for the Capitol either a new building or the main building will be raised to the fourth floor. So, I respectfully move for the approval of this Ordinance confirming and ratifying the approved loan of the Provincial Government with the Land Bank of the Philippines in the total amount of P250,000,000.00 for Second Reading.

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Azarcon, duly seconded by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel. Any further discussion? Hearing none. Motion is approved in Second Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

(Reading Item No. 6)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Raul K. Salazar and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 18-26 Dated June 2, 2026 of the Municipality of Cagwait, this



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Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Providing Food Safety Regulations, Guidelines and Providing Penalties Thereof', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991". 26-05962

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Yes, Hon. Pama, please proceed.

HON. PAMA:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer. With the Ordinance from the Municipality of Cagwait, entitled 'An Ordinance Providing Food Safety Regulations, Guidelines, and Providing Penalties Thereof', Honorable Presiding Officer, I therefore move for Second Reading.

HON. GARAY AND HON. AZARCON:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Pama, jointly seconded by Hon. Garay and Hon. Azarcon. Any further discussion? Hearing none. Motion is approved in Second Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

(Reading Item No. 7)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno entitled "Strongly Supporting the Proposed Establishment of a North Eastern Mindanao State University (NEMSU) Extension Program in the Municipality of Barobo as an Initial Step Toward the Establishment of a Future Satellite Campus". 26-05964

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Yes, Hon. Azarcon, please proceed.

HON. AZARCON:

As instructed and with the authority of the Chairman of the Committee on Education, who is now our Presiding Officer, I respectfully move for the approval of this Resolution in Second Reading.

HON. MONTESCLAROS, JR., HON. PAMA AND HON. SALAZAR:

We second the motion.



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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Azarcon, jointly seconded by Hon. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Pama and Hon. Salazar. Any further discussion? Hearing none. Motion is hereby approved in Second Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

(Reading Item No. 8)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 08 Dated June 2, 2026 of the Municipality of Cortes, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Institutionalizing Local Government Support Mechanisms for the Implementation of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) in the Municipality of Cortes, Surigao del Sur, Appropriating Funds Therefore and for Other Purposes', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991". 26-05947

HON. AZARCON:

Likewise, upon the instruction and with the authority of the Chairman of the Committee on Social Services and Community Development, Differently Abled or Persons with Disabilities and Senior Citizens, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, our Presiding Officer, I respectfully move for the approval of this Resolution in Second Reading.

HON. PAMA, HON. GARAY AND HON. SALAZAR:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Azarcon, jointly seconded by Hon. Pama, Hon. Garay and Hon. Salazar. Any further discussion? Hearing none. Motion is approved in Second Reading.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

(Reading Item No.9)

Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 15-2026 Dated May 11, 2026 of the Municipality of Cantilan, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Institutionalizing the System of Partnership Between the Municipal Government of Cantilan and the Local People's Council of Cantilan, Surigao del Sur', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991". 26-05950



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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Yes, Hon. Salazar.

HON. SALAZAR:

Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. Being the Chairman of this Committee, I would like to move for the passage of this Resolution for approval in Second Reading.

HON. AZARCON:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Salazar, duly seconded by Hon. Azarcon. Any further discussion? Hearing none. Motion is approved in Second Reading.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Yes, Hon. Azarcon.

HON. AZARCON:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer. At this juncture, I'd like to move for the suspension of the House Rules.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

House Rules is suspended.

NOTE: (House Rules is suspended at 10:32 in the morning.)

HON. AZARCON:

A while ago, we have approved in Second Reading eight (8) Resolutions and one (1) Ordinance without much discussion or deliberation, considering that all of these matters were thoroughly discussed during the Committee level. Therefore, I believe that all of these items now can be calendared for Third and Final Reading in today's session. So, if there's no objection from the floor, I would like to move that the eight (8) Resolutions and one (1) Ordinance approved in Second Reading be now calendared for Third and Final Reading in today's session.

HON. MONTESCLAROS, JR. AND HON. PAMA:

We second the motion.



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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Azarcon, jointly seconded by Hon. Montesclaros, Jr. and Hon. Pama, that all matters approved in Second Reading be now calendared for Third and Final Reading. Is there any further discussion or objection? Hearing none. Approved.

HON. AZARCON:

I now move for the restoration of the House Rules.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

House Rules restored.

NOTE: (House Rules was restored at 10:33 in the morning.)

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Third and Final Reading.

HON. AZARCON:

For Third and Final Reading, we have eight (8) Resolutions which likewise were approved earlier in the Second Reading and one (1) Ordinance. As I said earlier, there were no discussions on this because these were already taken up during the Committee level. Therefore, I would like to move for an omnibus motion for the approval in Third and Final Reading of the eight (8) Resolutions and one (1) Ordinance approved during the Second Reading and up now for Third and Final Reading, viz:

1. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Local Government Units of the City of Bislig and the Municipality of Tagbina, Together with the Barangays of Maharlika and Tagongon, Province of Surigao del Sur, to Undertake the Clearing of Road Shoulders Along the Provincial Road and Bypass Road Within their Respective Jurisdictions".
2. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 2026-53 Dated March 19, 2026 of the Municipality of Lingig, this Province, Entitled 'An Ordinance Declaring "LingigLupaNami" as the Official Hymn of the Municipality of Lingig, Surigao del Sur; Mandating its Singing or Playing During Flag Raising Ceremonies, Official Government Functions, Programs, Activities, and Other Public Celebrations of the Municipal Government; and Enjoining All Government Agencies, Private Establishments, Organizations, and Educational Institutions Within the Municipality



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to Adopt and Promote its Use in the Spirit of Unity, Cultural Identity, and Pride of Place', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991".26-05942

3. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 07 Dated June 2, 2026 of the Municipality of Cortes, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Amending Municipal Ordinance No. 07, Series of 2016 of Cortes, Surigao del Sur Otherwise Known as the "Kalogatan Festival Ordinance" Renaming the Festival to "Kadagatan Festival", and Changing the Official Celebration Dates to July 21-25 of Every Year', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991".26-05946
4. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 19-26 Dated June 2, 2026 of the Municipality of Cagwait, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Establishing and Institutionalizing the Cagwait Operation Center (OPCEN) Defining its Functions and Providing Guidelines for the Activation/Deactivation and Operations of the Emergency Operation Center (EOC)', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991".26-05961
5. Ordinance No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Confirming/Ratifying the Approved Loan of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur with the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) in the Total Amount of Two Hundred Fifty Million Pesos Only (₱250,000,000.00) Pursuant to SP Resolution No. 708-26 Dated January 27, 2026".26-05954
6. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Raul K. Salazar and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 18-26 Dated June 2, 2026 of the Municipality of Cagwait, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Providing Food Safety Regulations, Guidelines and Providing Penalties Thereof', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991".26-05962



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7. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno entitled "Strongly Supporting the Proposed Establishment of a North Eastern Mindanao State University (NEMSU) Extension Program in the Municipality of Barobo as an Initial Step Toward the Establishment of a Future Satellite Campus". 26-05964
8. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 08 Dated June 2, 2026 of the Municipality of Cortes, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Institutionalizing Local Government Support Mechanisms for the Implementation of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) in the Municipality of Cortes, Surigao del Sur, Appropriating Funds Therefore and for Other Purposes', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991". 26-05947
9. Resolution No. _____ sponsored by Hon. Raul K. Salazar, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Ruel D. Momo, Hon. Joey S. Pama, Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel, Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez entitled "Affirming Ordinance No. 15-2026 Dated May 11, 2026 of the Municipality of Cantilan, this Province Entitled 'An Ordinance Institutionalizing the System of Partnership Between the Municipal Government of Cantilan and the Local People's Council of Cantilan, Surigao del Sur', it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991". 26-05950

HON. H. PIMENTEL:

I second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

There's a motion by Hon. Azarcon, duly seconded by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel, that all matters approved in Second Reading now be voted for Third and Final Reading.

HON. AZARCON:

Before the voting, Honorable Presiding Officer, I would like to make an amendment only on the authorship of the Resolution particularly Item No. 7. This one is for strongly supporting to the proposal establishment of North Eastern Mindanao State University Extension Program in the Municipality of Barobo. I would like to insert that the co-author of this Resolution will be the Honest Board Member coming from the Municipality of Barobo.



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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Please take note, Secretary.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Noted, Your Honor.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Now, let us come to voting. Those who are in favor, please raise your right hand.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

(Counting)

IN FAVOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAINED:

Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel
Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon
Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr.
Hon. Joey S. Pama
Hon. Margarita G. Garay
Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo
Hon. Raul K. Salazar
Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod

None

None

Out with Permission:

Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno

Eight (8) Members voted in favor, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Hence, there are eight (8) Members voted for the approval of the items calendared for Third and Final Reading, are approved.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Three (3) items for approval in the **Unassigned Business/Privilege Business**, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Yes, Hon. Azarcon.



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HON. AZARCON:

Honorable Presiding Officer, for the Unassigned Business/Privilege Business, we have three (3) Resolutions.

(Reading each Item)

1. Resolution authored by Hon. Joey S. Pama entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office – Local Government Unit (PENRO-LGU), this Province to Investigate the Illegal Mining Activities in the Municipality of Barobo and Other Neighboring Municipalities and to Provide a Report on the Equipment Confiscated by the Philippine National Police (PNP) and/or Other Agencies of the Government".
2. Resolution authored by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel entitled "Authorizing Hon. Manuel O. Alameda, Sr., Acting Governor, this Province to Sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), for and in Behalf of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur, with the Department of Education (DepEd) Represented by its Schools Division Superintendent Dr. Lorenzo O. Macasocol, CESO V, for the Implementation of the "Gulayan sa Paaralan Program" (GPP) in Public and Secondary Schools in the Province of Surigao del Sur".
3. Resolution authored by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon entitled "Adopting and Approving the 3rd Supplemental Annual Investment Program (SAIP) for Fiscal Year 2026 of the Province of Surigao del Sur in the Amount of Seventy-Six Million Three Hundred Eighty Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Eight Pesos (P76,380,778.00) as Indorsed by the Provincial Development Council (PDC) in its Resolution No. 05 Dated June 29, 2026".

I believe that the Members were furnished copies of the PDC Resolution No. 05. If there are any questions before we will move for the approval, please, we are ready to respond.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Yes, Honorable Salazar.

HON. SALAZAR:

Can we go back to the first Resolution?

This is with regards on the Resolution authored by Hon. Joey S. Pama regarding the equipment confiscated by the Philippine National Police. This is only my personal opinion, which is better if we will pass a Resolution directing the Philippine National Police to submit a report with regards to the confiscated equipment in Barobo to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan thru the Vice Governor of the Province.



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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

It can also be done.

HON. SALAZAR:

The purpose of that proposal, Mr. Presiding Officer is to fast track the faster response from the Philippine National Police regarding that matter.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

That is only the proposal of Hon. Salazar, but you can still stick to your Resolution.

HON. SALAZAR:

I just want to inform the author of that Resolution, that is only my personal opinion, I have no intention to influence anybody from the Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan. I am just sharing my opinion.

HON. AZARCON:

I believe in the intention of Hon. Salazar to go directly to the point that if it indeed is with the Philippine National Police, for them to make a report so that we would know. However, it would appear from the title of the Resolution that the author is not actually sure whether it was the PNP who confiscated but he heard that there were confiscation made and there were illegal activities and consequently certain agencies of the government has confiscated equipments. Therefore, the intention of the author of this Resolution is to have an investigation so that we would know. Then from that point, we can take action or remedies based on the report that will be conducted by the PENRO, so this is the objective of the Resolution which I believe at this point considering that we are not really sure of anything, an investigation is proper and appropriate.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Okay, thank you for that Hon. Azarcon. So, the author wishes that he will stick to his Resolution.

So, let us now come to voting, for those who are in favor, please raise your right hand of all three (3) Resolutions.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

(Counting)

IN FAVOR:

Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel
Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon
Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr.
Hon. Joey S. Pama

AGAINST:

None

ABSTAINED:

None



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Hon. Margarita G. Garay
Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo
Hon. Raul K. Salazar
Hon. Jimmy I Guinsod

Out with Permission:

Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno

Eight (8) Members voted in favor, your Honor.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

So, since there are eight (8) Members voted in favor, the motion is hereby approved.

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Next, is **Other Matters**.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Yes, Hon. Pama.

HON. PAMA:

Thank you, Honorable Presiding Officer. I brought this on the Other Matters, Honorable Presiding Officer, if you can remember, we called up the Philippine Army during the capture or the death of Bong Waco. So, we had a Resolution already commending the said Company of 75th and 3rd SF and 401st Battalion Company, we have already done that Resolution. However, Honorable Presiding Officer, my intention at that time is to include the rank and file *kadtong mga ordinary nga mga Philippine Army nga matagaan sila ug* recognition for any purpose *pag-abot sa time nga naa silay ma-support, kung ang purpose nila* for their promotion, Honorable Presiding Officer.

Yesterday, Police Lieutenant Colonel Panganduyon texted me and he said: “*Good morning, Sir, regarding kay Bong Waco plan na magbigay kayo ng commendation po Sir ito ang recommendation namin, Unit na lang po Sir at hagip na po mga personnel po Sir*”, because before I told *na dapat i-include yung mga personnel down, kasi yung mga bagong Philippine Army lang yung pinakababa* the lowest mammal *ng Philippine Army gusto kong mabigyan din ng commendation* because they are really the one who is having the task and *sila gyud ang tua sa field nga naningkamut pagdakop* and they submitted their life *posible mamatay sila*. So with that, Honorable Presiding Officer, there's a recommendation from Lieutenant Colonel Pangandoyon *na ang Unit na lang*, so may I read the 3rd SFBn, SOCOM Philippine Army, then 75th IB Philippine Army, then 401st Brigade Philippine Army, and MIG 10 ISAFP AFP and I will just give this later to our Secretariat to be perfect with this concern.



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So, Honorable Presiding Officer, I am now moving to pass another individual Resolution with this concern, Honorable Presiding Officer. Although I understand that this is in the Other Matters but we can still have our legislation on this matter if possible that this would be considered for a Resolution, Honorable Presiding Officer. I am moving for that, Honorable Presiding Officer.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

First, it should be inserted under the Privilege Hour, but if you still want to insist that it should be inserted we can suspend the rule to pave way for your proposed Resolution but you can have it in the next session next week and deliver that in the Privilege Hour.

Okay, any more who wanted to share Other Matters? Anyway, if the author, the proponent, Hon. Joey S. Pama wanted that it should be inserted you can now be called the Master of Insertion, we can suspend the rule. But it would be better next week.

Please show the pictures, but before that, Hon. Cañedo is now recognized.

HON. CAÑEDO:

Thank you very much, Honorable Presiding Officer. Honorable Presiding Officer, I just want to raise in the Other Matters regarding the Privilege Speech of Hon. Pama regarding the arrest and the raid of the illegal mining in the Municipality of Barobo. Actually, Honorable Presiding Officer, I have raised this concern considering that there are already subsequent raid and arrest of these illegal miners in the Municipality of Barobo. So, I think this is also high time for us to call their attention through a conduct of a Committee Meeting in the Committee on Environmental Protection and Ecology with the indulgence of the Chairman of the Committee on Environmental Protection and Ecology. So with these reports, that will be handed over to the Provincial Council or the Sangguniang Panlalawigan so that we will be able to use this information to address our questions or concerns considering that in the Municipality of Hinatuan lately when there was a raid we have seen an improvement on the situation of the Dugmanon River but after how many months we have already seen another issue and problem of the river. So, I am not sure if this is correlated with the recent illegal mining that was being found in the two (2) Barangays of the Municipality of Barobo. So, with the author, if he would agree with me and together with the Members of this August Body, I would recommend Honorable Presiding Officer to conduct a Committee Meeting in relation to the Resolution being passed by Hon. Pama. That would be all, Honorable Presiding Officer. Thank you.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Thank you, Hon. Cañedo, but the issue being raised by Hon. Pama is that the one who will investigate is the PENRO but if we want to have our own investigation in aid of legislation, we can also do that but it should be passed in a separate legislation. For example, in the Privilege Hour you will deliver a Privilege Speech that we will conduct a legislative inquiry in aid of legislation for the investigation of the illegal mining.

HON. CAÑEDO:

Okay, Honorable Presiding Officer right after we receive the report from these different agencies, I'll be addressing a Privilege Speech. Thank you.



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HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Thank you, Hon. Cañedo. Any Other Matters? If none please show the pictures Sir Orlan.

(Showing the pictures on screen)

This humble representation, first is I have attended the awarding of the stakeholders who supported the Palarong Pambansa otherwise known as Palaro Tu AgSur together with the Regional Directors of different Agencies from Department of Education (DepEd), Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) and then the Schools Division Superintendents within the Caraga Region, attended also by Governor Cane, Board Members of Agusan del Sur, Congressman Joboy Aquino and Vice Governor Patricia Plaza of Agusan del Sur. Then I have received the award for Governor Johnny T. Pimentel for and in behalf of the Province, Congressman Romeo S. Momo from the First District and Congressman Alexander T. Pimentel for the Second District. I was one of the multi-awarded gentlemen during the time, I received three awards but not in my name.

Second, is that on June 26, 2026, Hon. Azarcon requested this humble representation to attend the Budget Forum here in the Province of Surigao del Sur. Then during that time, I was able to discuss with Mr. Ace R. Orcullo, the PHRMO with regards to the Co-terminus of the Board Members which are supposedly to be hired as Co-terminus effective August 2, 2026. However, according to Mr. Orcullo, they cannot be hired because on the condition of the Civil Service Commission that there are three (3) Offices to be created, namely: Office of the Cooperative, *unsa pa tong uban basta* three. Then, I was even proposing that, what if we create the Office including the Plantilla? It does not mean however, that if you create an Office with its own Plantilla it means to say that you will fill it up, because creation and filling up will follow only if there are already appropriations. So, in that sense, I think Mr. Orcullo has also been invited in some other Committees. We'll just discuss this further to give the Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan especially Hon. Montesclaros, Jr. because last week he asked me if what is the status of the Co-terminus? So, that is now the status, they cannot hire unless, those Positions or those Offices should be created by the Province of Surigao del Sur, in consonance with the advice of the Civil Service Commission. Then, we'll also ask the Civil Service Commission about this, the veracity of this report after Sir Ace will deliver his report. I hope that he can come, he promised to be here by next week, after his travel to Bislig City because he wanted to benchmark there in Bislig City.

Any Other Matters? If none, any motion for adjournment?

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

For the announcement, the 50th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan, this Province will be held on July 7, 2026 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning at the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Session Hall, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Tandag City, this Province.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Announcement first, the Committee Meeting of the Committee on Education especially on the IPed delivered by Hon. Guinsod in his Privilege Speech will be reset on July 7, 2026 at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon here because the School's Division Superintendent escorted the



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Regional Director who is now transferred to Davao Region. We have no Regional Director of DepEd.

HON. PAMA:

Actually, this is very important because Bim Pimentel called me up that the IT will be coming here because he wanted that it would be secretly done. We'll be having our group greetings to our Congressman Alexander T. Pimentel, a birthday greetings. I do not know if...*naay IT diri gipadala?*

ACTING SECRETARY ARREZA:

Coming *pa*, Sir.

HON. PAMA:

So, that is what I wanted to... *kay basi manguli dayon ang mga* Board Members. Thank you.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Okay, thank you for that information, Hon. Pama, we will not wait for the IT of the Congressional Office we have our own IT's who are more capable than their IT's.

HON. AZARCON:

So, with that, I now move for the adjournment of the 49th Regular Session.

HON. H. PIMENTEL AND HON. PAMA:

We second the motion.

HON. TEMPORARY PRESIDING OFFICER SAYAWAN, SR.:

Moved by Hon. Azarcon for the adjournment, jointly seconded by Hon. Henrich M. Pimentel and Hon. Joey S. Pama. Any objection for the motion for adjournment? Hearing none. Session is hereby officially adjourned. Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT: - - - - - 11:00 o' clock in the morning.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the transcript of proceedings taken down by the undersigned during the 49th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur on the above-stated time, date and place.


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