



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Surigao del Sur



MUNICIPALITY OF CANTILAN

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

11 August 2026

THE HONORABLE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN MEMBERS

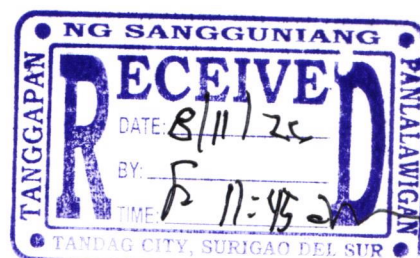
Tanggapan ng Sangguniang Panlalawigan
Tandag City

THRU: EDGAR G. PEREZ II, J.D.

Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan
Province of Surigao del Sur

Dear Hon. Members,

Greetings!



Submitting herewith are the copies of **ORDINANCE NO.26-2026** entitled: "AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE ANNUAL OBSERVANCE OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' MONTH EVERY OCTOBER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CANTILAN, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR, IN RECOGNITION OF THE DIGNITY, HISTORY, CULTURAL HERITAGE, AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES, IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE NATIONAL CELEBRATION OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' MONTH AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR." for your review and confirmation.

Thank you and God Bless.

Respectfully yours,


ANDREW G. HUELMA, J.D.
Secretary to the Sanggunian

WHEREAS, Section 2 of IPRA Law declares it a policy of the State to recognize and promote all the rights of ICCs/IPs within the framework of national unity and development;

WHEREAS, Presidential Proclamation No. 1906, Series of 2009, as amended by Proclamation No. 1906-A, Series of 2009, has declared the month of October as the National Indigenous People's Month ("IP Month") recognizing the distinct identities and invaluable contributions of IPs to nation-building and cultural preservation;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Cantilan is home to Indigenous Peoples communities, particularly the Manobo and Mamanwa, whose history, traditions, customary laws, indigenous knowledge systems and practices, cultural expressions, and enduring connection to their ancestral lands form an integral part of the municipality's identity, heritage, and development;

WHEREAS, it is imperative for the Local Government Unit of Cantilan to establish a sustained and institutionalized mechanism for recognizing the dignity, rights, cultural heritage, and historical contributions of IPs through an annual municipal commemoration aligned with national observances;

WHEREAS, the annual observance of IP Month will provide opportunities for cultural education, intercultural dialogue, community participation, heritage preservation, and the promotion of mutual respect and understanding among all residents of the Municipality of Cantilan;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of HONORABLE ESCOBAL S. ANGELES, unanimously seconded; BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CANTILAN, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR, IN SESSION DULY ASSEMBLED, THAT:

Section 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known as "*The Indigenous Month Celebration of the Municipality of Cantilan, Surigao del Sur*".

Section 2. Statutory Basis. This Ordinance is anchored on the State policy of recognizing, respecting, protecting, and promoting the rights, dignity, cultural integrity, and heritage of ICCs/IPs, as embodied in international instruments and national laws, including the following:

- a. Article 8 of UNDRIP, which affirms the obligation of States to adopt effective measures against acts that erode or diminish the identity, cultural values, and distinct character of Indigenous Peoples;
- b. Article II, Section 22 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, which recognizes the rights of Indigenous Cultural Communities and promotes their welfare as part of national development;
- c. Article XIV, Section 17 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, which mandates the protection and preservation of the cultures, traditions, institutions, and heritage of ICCs; and
- d. IPRA Law, particularly the provisions safeguarding the rights of ICCs/IPs to maintain, preserve, and strengthen their cultural traditions, institutions, and identity.

Section 3. Objectives. The commemoration shall have the following objectives: (a) Promote awareness and appreciation of Indigenous Peoples' dignity, history, and cultural heritage; (b) Strengthen respect for the rights and dignity of Indigenous Peoples in accordance with national laws and international human rights principles; (c) Preserve and promote Indigenous cultural heritage, traditional knowledge, indigenous governance systems,

and customary practices; (d) Encourage meaningful participation of Indigenous Peoples in local governance and development processes and foster unity, mutual respect, and intercultural understanding among all sectors of the municipality; and (e) Provide institutional support for programs, projects, and activities celebrating IP Month.

Section 4. Definition of Terms. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms and phrases shall mean:

- a. **Cultural Heritage** refers to the total sum of traditions, knowledge, beliefs, and physical artifacts transmitted from generation to generation. It forms the foundation of their identity, linking them to their ancestors and ancestral territories.
- b. **Culture** is treated as the foundational identity, heritage, and way of life of ICCs/IPs. It encompasses their customs, traditions, beliefs, and Indigenous Knowledge Systems and Practices (IKSPs).
- c. **Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples (ICCs/IPs)** refer to a group of people or homogenous societies identified by self-ascription and ascription by others, who have continuously lived as organized community on communally bounded and defined territory, and who have, under claims of ownership since time immemorial, occupied, possessed and utilized such territories, sharing common bonds of language, customs, traditions and other distinctive cultural traits, or who have, through resistance to political, social and cultural inroads of colonization, non-indigenous religions and cultures, became historically differentiated from the majority of Filipinos. ICCs/IPs shall likewise include peoples who are regarded as indigenous on account of their descent from the populations which inhabited the country, at the time of conquest or colonization, or at the time of inroads of non-indigenous religions and cultures, or the establishment of present state boundaries, who retain some or all of their own social, economic, cultural and political institutions, but who may have been displaced from their traditional domains or who may have resettled outside their ancestral domains.
- d. **Indigenous Knowledge Systems and Practices (IKSP)** refer to the unique, localized bodies of wisdom, beliefs, and technologies developed by Indigenous communities over centuries of direct interaction with their natural environments.
- e. **Indigenous political structure** refers to the traditional, culturally rooted systems of leadership, governance, and decision-making used by Indigenous peoples to manage their communities, territories, and resources.
- f. **Tradition** refers to the accumulated body of customs, beliefs, rituals, and unwritten rules transmitted continuously from generation to generation. It forms the foundation of ICCs' cultural identity and legal rights.

Section 5. Coverage and Implementation. This Ordinance shall cover all ICCs/IPs residing within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Cantilan, Province of Surigao del Sur and shall ensure the implementation and observance of this Ordinance in any day within the month of October.

Section 6. Creation of the Indigenous People's Month Organizing Committee. There is hereby created an IP Month Organizing Committee, which shall be responsible for the planning, coordination, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of all activities and programs in connection with the annual observance of IP Month.

The Committee shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson – Municipal Mayor or his/her duly authorized representative;

Vice-Chairperson – Municipal Indigenous Peoples Mandatory Representative (IPMR);

Members:

- a. Chairperson, Sangguniang Bayan Committee on Culture and Arts;
- b. Chairperson, Sangguniang Bayan Committee on Education and Sports;
- c. Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer;
- d. Municipal Tourism Officer;
- e. Municipal Planning and Development Officer;
- f. Municipal Budget Officer;
- g. Municipal Information Officer;
- h. Municipal Disaster Risk and Reduction and Management Officer;
- i. Representative from the NCIP;
- j. Representatives of duly recognized IP organizations and IP youth organization within the Municipality;
- k. Municipal Tribal Chieftain;
- l. Barangay Tribal Chieftains and IPMR of Barangay Lobo and Cabangahan;
- m. Barangay Captains/BLGU of Barangay Lobo and Cabangahan; and
- n. Other members as may be designated by the Municipal Mayor.

The Committee shall formulate and recommend an annual program of activities and ensure that all programs and activities are undertaken in consultation and coordination with the concerned ICCs/IPs and their recognized leaders, elders, and organizations.

Section 7. Indigenous People's Day. October 29 of every year is hereby declared as Indigenous People's Day in the Municipality of Cantilan, Surigao del Sur or any day of the month as determined and majority agreed to by the Indigenous People's Month Organizing Committee.

Section 8. Appropriation with Transitory Provision. Considering that the month of October is already forthcoming and that the Annual Budget for the current fiscal year has already been approved, the initial implementation of this Ordinance shall be funded from any available appropriations legally allowable for the purpose, subject to existing budgeting, accounting, and auditing laws, rules, and regulations.

Thereafter, the necessary fund amounting to Three Hundred Thousand Pesos (P300,000.00), or such amount as may be determined by the Sangguniang Bayan and approved by the Municipal Government, shall be included in the Annual Budget of the Municipality beginning the fiscal year immediately succeeding the effectivity of this Ordinance.

Section 9. Separability Clause. If for any reasons, any provision of this Ordinance be declared illegal by a competent court, other provisions which are not affected shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 10. Repealing Clause. All ordinances, resolutions, executive issuances, or rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which provisions are inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance, the same are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

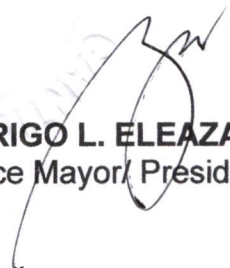
Section 11. Effectivity. This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of local circulation or posting in conspicuous places within the Municipality of Cantilan, Province of Surigao del Sur, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

ENACTED this 27th day of July 2026 at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall, Cantilan, Surigao del Sur.

I HEREBY ATTEST to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance that was duly enacted by the Sangguniang Bayan during its regular session held on the 27th day of July 2026.


ANDREW G. HUELMA, J.D.
Secretary to the Sanggunian

**ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED
TO BE DULY ENACTED:**


RODRIGO L. ELEAZAR
Municipal Vice Mayor/ Presiding Officer

APPROVED: August 6, 2026


PHILIP A. PICHAY
Municipal Mayor



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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE 18th REGULAR SESSION
OF THE 19th SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF CANTILAN, SURIGAO DEL SUR, HELD AT THE
SESSION HALL ON 29 JUNE 2026.

PRESENT:

Hon. Rodrigo L. Eleazar	- Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer
Hon. Liberty G. Cale	- SB Member
Hon. Florena A. Uriarte	- SB Member
Hon. Charles P. Arreza	- SB Member
Hon. Marlo B. Arreza	- SB Member
Hon. Lorna G. Almeda	- SB Member
Hon. John Elven G. Vega	- SB Member
Hon. Romeo Emmanuel D. Azarcon	- SB Member
Hon. Jimbo A. Luarez	- ABC President/Ex Officio
Hon. Escobal S. Angeles	- IPMR/Ex Officio
Hon. Mark Vincent M. Prado	- SK Federation President/Ex Officio

ON OFFICIAL LEAVE:

Hon. Genito B. Guardo	- SB Member
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RESOLUTION NO. 182 – 2026

“A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HOLDING OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED ORDINANCES: (1) AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE CANTILAN SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS INCENTIVES SYSTEM, PROVIDING FINANCIAL RECOGNITION TO QUALIFIED CANTILANGNON ATHLETES AND COACHES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR; AND (2) AN ORDINANCE DECLARING OCTOBER OF EVERY YEAR AS "INDIGENOUS PEOPLES (IP) DAY" IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CANTILAN, SURIGAO DEL SUR, RECOGNIZING THE RIGHTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE MANOBO AND MAMANWA COMMUNITIES, AND PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR ITS OBSERVANCE, TO BE HELD ON JULY 14, 2026, AT THE CANTILAN SPORTING CLUB COVERED COURT.”

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, empowers local government units to promote the general welfare and enact measures beneficial to their constituents;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Bayan recognizes the importance of conducting public hearings to ensure transparency, accountability, and meaningful public participation in the legislative process before the enactment of ordinances affecting the community;

WHEREAS, one of the proposed ordinances seeks to institutionalize the Cantilan Sports Achievements Incentives System, which aims to provide financial recognition and incentives to deserving Cantilangnon athletes and coaches in acknowledgment of their exemplary achievements and valuable contributions in the field of sports;

WHEREAS, another proposed ordinance seeks to declare the month of October of every year as Indigenous Peoples (IP) Day in the Municipality of Cantilan, Surigao del Sur, in recognition of the rights, heritage, identity, and significant contributions of the Manobo and Mamanwa communities, while providing guidelines for the proper observance thereof;

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary to invite concerned stakeholders, representatives from government agencies, sports organizations, Indigenous Peoples' communities, civil society organizations, educational institutions, and the general public to participate in a public hearing and express their views, recommendations, and comments on the proposed ordinances;

NOW THEREFORE, on joint motion of Hon. Charles P. Arreza and Hon. Escobal S. Angeles , unanimously seconded, it was;

RESOLVED by the Sangguniang Bayan in its regular session assembled to authorize the holding of a Public Hearing on the following proposed ordinances: 1. An Ordinance Institutionalizing the Cantilan Sports Achievements Incentives System, Providing Financial Recognition to Qualified Cantilangnon Athletes and Coaches, and Appropriating Funds Therefor; and 2. An Ordinance Declaring October of Every Year as "Indigenous Peoples (IP) Day" in the Municipality of Cantilan, Surigao del Sur, Recognizing the Rights and Contributions of the Manobo and Mamanwa Communities, and Providing Guidelines for Its Observance to be conducted on July 14, 2026, at the Cantilan Sporting Club Covered Court.

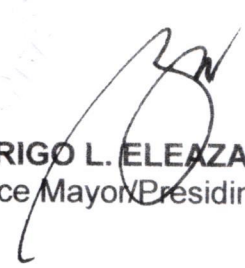
RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Municipal Mayor, concerned Municipal Offices, the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP), the barangays, and other concerned agencies and stakeholders for their information, guidance, and appropriate action.

ADOPTED this 29th day of June 2026.

I HEREBY ATTEST to the correctness of the foregoing resolution that was duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan during its regular session held on the 29th day of June 2026.


ANDREW G. HUELMA, J.D.
Secretary to the Sanggunian

**ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED
TO BE DULY ADOPTED:**


RODRIGO L. ELEAZAR
Municipal Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

PUBLIC HEARING

SB RESOLUTION # 182- 2026



Who:

All concerned
Cantilangnons

When:

July 14, 2026
(Tuesday) @
1:30 p.m.

Where:

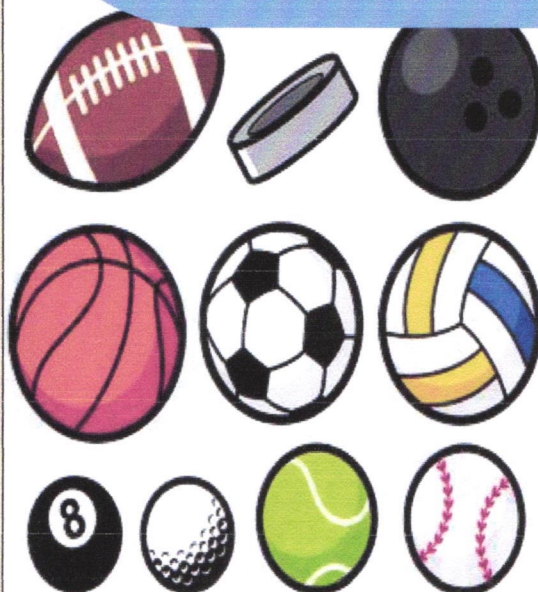
Cantilan
Sporting Club
Covered Court

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THERE!!!

AGENDA:

(1) **DRAFT ORDINANCE INTRODUCED BY HON. CHARLES P. ARREZA ENTITLED:** AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE CANTILAN SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS INCENTIVES SYSTEM, PROVIDING FINANCIAL RECOGNITION TO QUALIFIED CANTILANGNON ATHLETES AND COACHES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR; AND

(2) **DRAFT ORDINANCE INTRODUCED BY HON. ESCOBAL S. ANGELES ENTITLED:** AN ORDINANCE DECLARING OCTOBER OF EVERY YEAR AS "INDIGENOUS PEOPLES (IP) DAY" IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CANTILAN, SURIGAO DEL SUR, RECOGNIZING THE RIGHTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE MANOBO AND MAMANWA COMMUNITIES, AND PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR ITS OBSERVANCE."





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ATTENDANCE SHEET PUBLIC HEARING

JULY 14, 2026
Date

Start of Public Hearing: _____

NAME	TIME IN	SIGNATURE	REMARKS
1. VM RODRIGO L. ELEAZAR	2:00		
2. SBM LIBERTY G. CALE			
3. SBM GENITO B. GUARDO			Present
4. SBM FLORENA A. URIARTE			
5. SBM CHARLES P. ARREZA			
6. SBM MARLO B. ARREZA			
7. SBM LORNA G. ALMEDA			
8. SBM JOHN ELVEN G. VEGA			
9. SBM ROMEO EMMANUEL D. AZARCON			
10. ABC PRES. JIMBO A. LUAREZ			
10. SK FED. MARK VINCENT M. PRADO			
11. IPMR ESCOBAL S. ANGELES			



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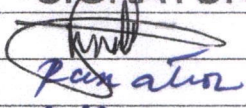
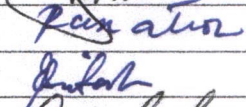
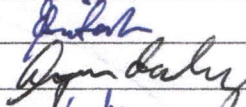
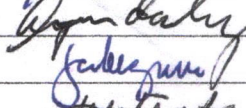
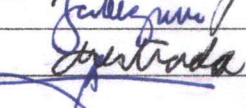
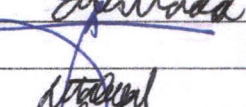
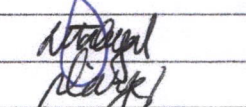
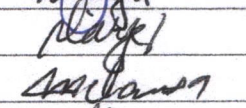
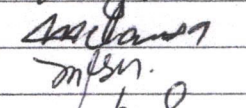
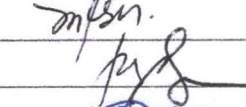
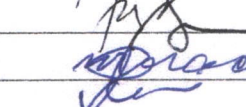
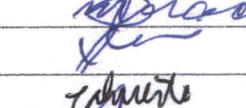
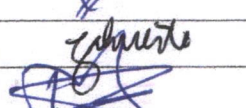
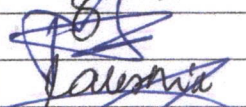
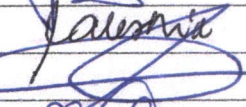
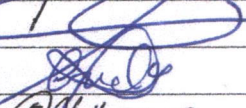
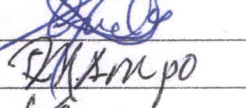
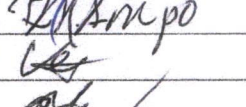
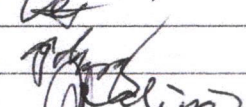
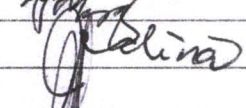
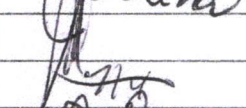
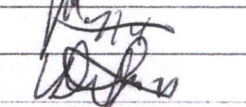
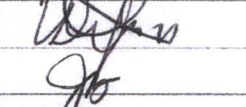
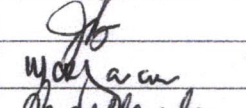
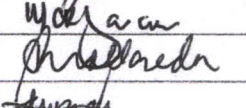
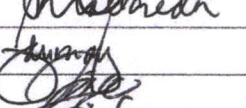
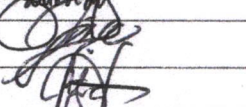
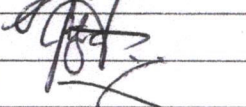
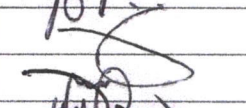
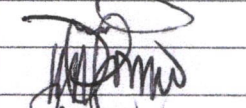
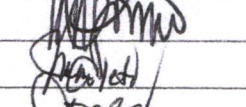
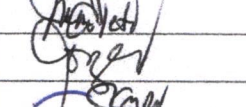
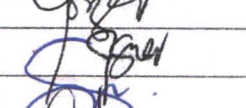
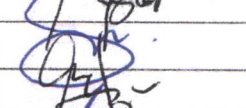
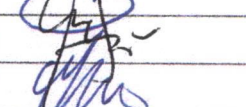
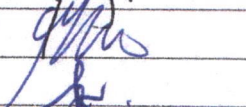
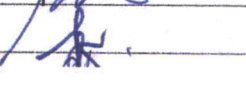
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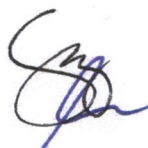
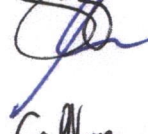
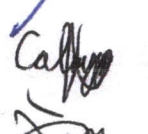
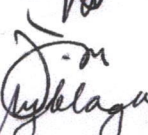
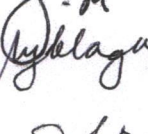
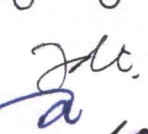
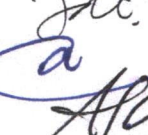
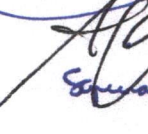
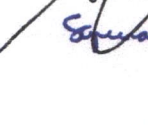


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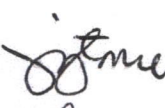
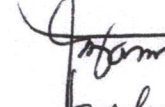
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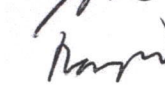
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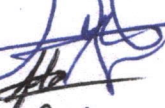
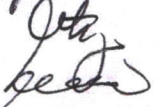
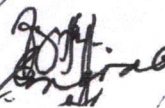
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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD AT CANTILAN
SPORTING CLUB COVERED COURT LAST JULY 14, 2026

- (1) **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 1:55 in the afternoon.
- (2) **OPENING PRAYER:** Led by SB Member Escobal S. Angeles.
- (3) **ROLL CALL:** With seven (7) members present, Chair declared the public hearing in quorum.

PRESENT:

Hon. Rodrigo L. Eleazar	- Municipal Vice Mayor
Hon. Liberty G. Cale	- SB Member
Hon. Genito B. Guardo	- SB Member
Hon. Florena A. Uriarte	- SB Member
Hon. Charles P. Arreza	- SB Member
Hon. Marlo B. Arreza	- SB Member
Hon. Lorna G. Almeda	- SB Member
Hon. Escobal S. Angeles	- SB Member/Ex - Officio

ABSENT:

Hon. John Elven G. Vega	- SB Member
Hon. Romeo Emmanuel D. Azarcon	- SB Member
Hon. Jimbo A. Luarez	- SB Member/Ex-Officio
Hon. Mark Vincent M. Prado	- SB Memner/Ex-Officio

AGENDA:

1. **Draft Ordinance introduced by SB Member Charles P. Arreza, entitled;**
"AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE CANTILAN SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS SYSTEM, PROVIDING FINANCIAL RECOGNITION TO QUALIFIED CANTILANGNON ATHELETES AND COACHES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR."
2. **Draft Ordinance introduced by SB Member Florena A. Uriarte, entitled;**
"AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY AND EXPRESSION (SOGIE), PROMOTING EQUAL RIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CANTILAN."
3. **Draft Ordinance introduced by SB Member Escobal S. Angeles, entitled;**
"AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE ANNUAL OBSERVANCE OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' MONTH EVERY OCTOBER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CANTILAN, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR, IN RECOGNITION OF THE DIGNITY, HISTORY, CULTURAL HERITAGE, AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES, IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE NATIONAL CELEBRATION OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' MONTH, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR."

The Presiding Officer, Vice Mayor Rodrigo L. Eleazar, gave an introductory statement. He welcomed the guests present during the public hearing, to include barangay officials, SB Members and the general public. Thereafter, he gave the floor to Hon. Charles P. Arreza, the sponsor of the first Ordinance calendared in the order of business.

1. "AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE CANTILAN SPORTS ACHIEVEMENTS SYSTEM, PROVIDING FINANCIAL RECOGNITION TO QUALIFIED CANTILANGNON ATHELETES AND COACHES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR."

Sponsor: HON. CHARLES P. ARREZA

SB Member Charles P. Arreza introduced his proposed ordinance. He read the title of the ordinance. He discussed the ordinance per section. He explained the purpose of the proposed ordinance. He also mentioned the importance of the said ordinance which involves student athletes and coaches who may have achievements in terms of sports competition.

Mr. Kent Orcollo from NEMSU suggested that if it would possible, students under CHED shall also be included in the recognition, not only from DEPED because according to him there are also sports competitions sponsored by CHED.

SB Member Charles P. Arreza said that the suggestion was well taken and be brought up during the deliberations in the plenary session.

Mr. Rolly R. Ravelo, the District-in Charge for Cantilan East Central Elementary School, commended the actions of the Sangguniang Bayan for the possible passage of the said ordinance. He suggested that if possible, the school or institution the athletes represent, may also be given the recognition.

SB Member Charles P. Arreza said that as regards the schools, it may be provided for in another ordinance because the proposal is still focused on the student athletes and their respective achievements.

Atty. Luchie G. Lianza commented that in order that the proposed ordinance be approved as soon as possible, the suggestion to include the schools in the recognition must first be set aside and be discussed in some other proposed ordinance.

Mr. Rolly R. Ravelo said that it was just his suggestion and it will be fine if it will not be included yet in the current ordinance.

SB Member Charles P. Arreza said that all the suggestions will be considered. Thereafter, he asked if there were other suggestions and clarifications from the attendees.

Hearing none, he then informed everyone that the matter will be brought to the next scheduled Regular Session for appropriate action.

The Presiding Officer then gave the floor to the next proponent, Hon. Florena A. Uriarte, to discuss the SOGIE ordinance.

2. AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY AND EXPRESSION (SOGIE), PROMOTING EQUAL RIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CANTILAN."

SPONSOR: HON. FLORENA A. URIARTE

SB Member Florena A. Uriarte made an opening statement in relation to her proposed ordinance on SOGIE. She thanked Hon. Escobal S. Angeles for giving consideration to present ahead of him.

Hon. Uriarte explained that all other towns or LGU's has already implemented their respective version of the SOGIE Ordinance. She said that she was instructed by Ms. Lourdes Martinez from the DILG to have the ordinance approved in Cantilan.

Hon. Uriarte then discussed all provisions of the ordinance by pointing out each Section. She gave emphasis that the source of fund for the ordinance to be implemented shall be taken from the GAD Fund of the LGU. After thorough discussion, she then asked the attendees if they need clarifications or if they have questions as she was ready to answer.

Atty. Luchie G. Lianza, one of the attendees, explained that the proposed ordinance need to be polished as their were still gray areas that need to be addressed. She said that Congress has pending version of the SOGIE Bill. She discussed the need to thoroughly address concerns from the public like denial of academic freedom, the effects to some business establishments who are required to be observant of the ordinance, concerns of the LGBTQ Community and all others.

Atty. Lianza then suggested that the matter be recalled bac to the Committee Level to discuss further into the details of the Ordinance as a lot are involved and possibly be affected once the ordinance will be implemented.

SB Member Florena A. Uriarte was amenable to the suggestion of Atty. Lianza. On the other hand, she also suggested to the Committee on Health, chaired by SB Member Liberty G. Cale, to craft a separate ordinance giving focus to providing separate CR's for male and female, breastfeeding area in public places, and also diaper-changing area.

Atty. Lianza said that all the proposals may be contained in certain provisions of the SOGIE ordinance.

SB Member Florena A. Uriarte explained further the ordinance in a per section basis. Thereafter, she asked if there were questions from the attendees.

Mr. Rolly R. Ravelo pointed out Section 7 of the proposed ordinance. He asked who will be the implementing office or agency of the said ordinance.

SB Member Florena A. Uriarte answered that it will be the MSWD under the Office of the Mayor.

Mr. Kent Orcollo suggested that there will be a "Visayan" version of the ordinance to be understood easily. Also, he suggested that the provision on Community Service as part of the penalty be removed.

SB Member Florena A. Uriarte said that the suggestions were duly noted.

SB Member Marlo B. Arreza moved that the said ordinance be brought back to the Plenary so that the matter will be discussed in details.

SB Member Florena A. Uriarte was amenable to the suggestion. With nothing more to discuss, SB Member Uriarte expressed her gratefulness for the participation and attendance of the guests.

The Presiding Officer then called the next proponent, Hon. Escobal S. Angeles, to discuss the proposed ordinance on the IP Day Celebration.

3. "AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE ANNUAL OBSERVANCE OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' MONTH EVERY OCTOBER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CANTILAN, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR, IN RECOGNITION OF THE DIGNITY, HISTORY, CULTURAL HERITAGE, AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES, IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE NATIONAL CELEBRATION OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' MONTH, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR."

SPONSOR: IPMR ESCOBAL S. ANGELES

IPMR Escobal S. Angeles made an introductory statement and he acknowledged the presence of some of the IP's from the Manobo and Mamanwa Community together with some of the Tribal Leaders of the IPs.

IPMR Angeles explained the background of the Ordinance which was focused on giving the recognition the IPs deserve being part of the citizens of the country. He explained the ordinance in section per section basis. The proposed IP Day is on the 29th of October each year. He then asked the attendees if they have questions.

SB Member Genito B. Guardo asked on what is the plan of the IP Community since October is fast approaching.

IPMR Angeles said that it will be challenging on their part because they don't have that enough funds to fully celebrate but they will try to make ways on how to celebrate in a meaningful way even in the simplest form. He said that what is important is that the IPs will be recognized as part of the community.

SB Member Charles P. Arreza asked if this has been a subject for Supplemental Budget.

IPMR Angeles answered in that the matter was not yet brought to the attention of the Mayor nor being discussed in the proposal for supplemental budget.

The Presiding Officer, Vice Mayor Rodrigo L. Eleazar, said that LGU funds are scarce and also the expenses for the celebration was not included in the supplemental budget, hence there was a need to find other ways to raise the money. He said he was willing to personally donate a little amount for the IP Day celebration. He also requested all the SB Members to contribute.

SB Member Charles P. Arreza commended the efforts of the IPMR for spearheading the passage of the said ordinance to recognize their community.

Hon. Liberty G. Cale, suggested that the Barangays of Cabangahan and Lobo allocate an annual budget for the celebration of Indigenous Peoples (IP) Day by incorporating the necessary appropriation into their respective Annual Budgets.

SB Member Genito B. Gaurdo said he was fully supportive of the proposal.

With no more discussions and questions from the attendees, SB Member Escobal S. Angeles expressed his gratefulness for the opportunity to present the proposed ordinance and for the cooperation of the IP Community with some of the Tribal Leaders.

The Chairperson concluded the public hearing by thanking all participants for their attendance in discussing the three proposed ordinances for the benefit of the constituents.

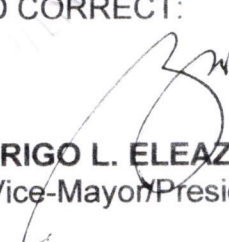
ADJOURNMENT

With no more discussions, the public hearing was adjourned at exactly 4:30 p.m. on the same day, through a motion of SB Member Genito B. Guardo, duly seconded by SB Member Marlo B. Arreza.

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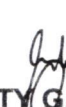

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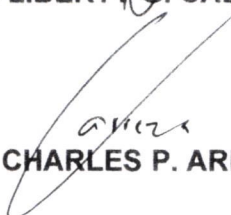
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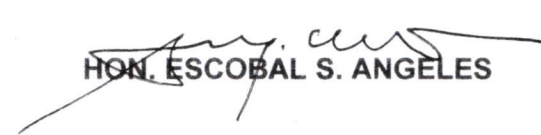

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