

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 29 -2020

DIRECTING THE STRICT IMPLEMENTATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 07-2020 "DIRECTING ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO INTENSIFY THE MONITORING OF ENTRY AND REGULATING THE MOVEMENT, DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF SWINE, PORK AND PROCESSED MEAT PRODUCTS WITHIN THE PROVINCE THROUGH MANDATORY ESTABLISHMENT OF ANTI- ASF CHECKPOINT BETWEEN MUNICIPAL AND CITY BOUNDARIES AND KNOWN INGRESSES AND EGRESSES IN THE PROVINCE; AND EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 09-2020 "DIRECTING ALL LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVES THROUGH THEIR PUNONG BARANGAYS TO ENFORCE THE POLICIES OF "NO KATAY" OR NO BACKYARD BUTCHERING/ SLAUGHTERING OF SWINE AND "NO PAURAGA" OR ORDER PORK NOW- PAY LATER SCHEME IN THEIR BARANGAY AS PREVENTIVE MEASURES TO COUNTER THE SPREAD OF AFRICAN SWINE FEVER IN THE PROVINCE" DUE TO RESURGENCE OF ASF CASES AT AN ALARMING LEVEL IN THE PROVINCE

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to promote a just and fair environment for trade and other economic activities, and provide effective mechanisms or measures to promote the well-being of its citizens, their livelihood, and the economy, in general;

WHEREAS, Section 465 in relation to Section 16 of Republic Act 7160 also known as the Local Government Code of 1991 empowers the Local Chief Executive to carry out measures for the faithful and appropriate enforcement and execution of laws and ordinances;

WHEREAS, following the reported incidents of hog mortality in certain areas in the Philippines and cases of African Swine Flu in some Asian, European, and African countries, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 46-2019, declaring a total ban on the entry of swine and all fresh, frozen, and processed pork products in the Province of Isabela, and directing all local chief executives to implement measures in support of the ban, and the Isabela Provincial Police Office (IPPO) and the provincial task force to establish checkpoints in all ingresses and egresses in the province;

WHEREAS, Executive Order no. 07-2020 "Directing All Local Government Units to Intensify the Monitoring of Entry and Regulating the Movement, Distribution and Sale of Swine, Pork and Processed Meat Products Within the Province through Mandatory Establishment of Anti- ASF Checkpoint between Municipal and City Boundaries and Known Ingresses and Egresses in the Province was issued by the Governor in response to the need for a wider and more stringent measures to prevent any of its swine/pigs/pork to be infected by ASF and to safeguard the Province's swine industry as well as to protect the general public from the threat of such disease;

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WHEREAS, Executive Order no. 09- 2020 "Directing All Local Chief Executives Through their Punong Barangays to Enforce the Policies of "No Katay" or No Backyard Butchering/Slaughtering of Swine and "No Pauraga" or Order Pork Now- Pay Later Scheme in their Barangay as Preventive Measures to Counter the Spread of African Swine Fever in the Province" was subsequently issued to addressed the urgent need for a wider and more stringent collaboration involving the components of the barangays to prevent any of its swine/pigs/pork to be infected by ASF and to safeguard the Province's swine industry as well as to protect the general public from the continuing threat;

WHEREAS, there is again an urgent necessity to reiterate and reinforce the aforementioned Executive Orders to address the alarming resurgence of ASF in the province and to re-apply this stringent measures to prevent further infection of swine/pigs/pork; and to safeguard the Province's swine industry and vital food source from the continuing threat of viral diseases both on human and livestock;

NOW THEREFORE, I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Governor of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue the following orders: Directing the strict implementation of Executive Order No. 07-2020 "Directing all local government units to intensify the monitoring of entry and regulating the movement, distribution and sale of swine, pork and processed meat products within the province through mandatory establishment of Anti- ASF checkpoint between municipal and city boundaries and known ingresses and egresses in the province"; and Executive Order No. 09-2020 "Directing all Local Chief Executives through their Punong Barangays to enforce the policies of "No Katay" or no backyard butchering/ slaughtering of swine and "No Pauraga" or order pork now-pay later scheme in their barangay as preventive measures to counter the spread of African Swine Fever in the province" due to resurgence of ASF cases at an alarming level in the province.

Further, the IPPO, Provincial ASF Task Force, local police and authorities are directed to ensure the application of all laws, ordinances, and other issuances in the implementation of this order.

Furthermore, all LGUs shall submit to the office of the Governor a compliance report regarding the directives contained in EO No. 07-2020, three (3) days from receipt of this order.

All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

If any part or provision of this Executive Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected shall remain in force.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 14th day of August, 2020 in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.

RODOLFO T. ALBANO III

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