

Office of the Governor

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

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, the State shall ensure the protection of human and animal health against direct and indirect hazards, and in particular the protection of: a) Consumers against zoonotic diseases, meat-borne infection, intoxication and hazards associated with residue from treatment or exposure of the slaughter animal; b) Meat handlers against occupational zoonoses; c) Livestock against the spread of infections, intoxications and other diseases of socio-economic importance as detectable at meat inspection and as consistent with the relevant animal health regulations; and d) Consumers and the meat processing industry against economic losses from meat of inferior quality or abnormal properties;

WHEREAS, the Province of Isabela today is the one of the biggest livestock raisers and markets for meat products in Northern Luzon;

WHEREAS, the African Swine Fever is a highly contagious viral disease that affects all kinds of pigs with 100% mortality rate which cannot be treated and prevented trough vaccination or any medication;

WHEREAS, the transmission of the ASF virus is very high, which can spread through direct and indirect contact such as swill feeding or objects/materials which are likely to carry infection from infected areas, vehicles, personal implements and clothes;

WHEREAS, that there is a continuing threat of African Swine Fever that may spread and infect the province in such proportions that would require urgent, immediate and integrated action and response;

WHEREAS, there is an 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 of these disease;

WHEREAS, Department of Agriculture Administrative Order: 01 Series 2014 Re: Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. No. 9296, otherwise knowns as the "Meat Inspection Code of the Philippines" as amended by R. A. No. 10536 and Department of Agriculture Administrative Order: 04 Series 2019 Re: Reiteration of food Safety Measures and Veterinary Quarantine Procedure where in Provincial Veterinary Office, City Veterinary Office and Municipal Agriculture Office are reminded to continue implementing precautionary measures to ensure food safety and food security such as prohibiting transportation of live animals, meat products and meat by products unless accompanied by a Veterinary Health Certificate (VHC) issued by a licensed veterinarian and Shipping Permit issued by the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) and its Regional Veterinary Quarantine Offices (RVQS) and also provides advice on backyard raisers not to feed food waste/swill to hogs;

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WHEREAS, Section 465 in relation to Section 16 of Republic Act 7160 which is 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;

NOW THEREFORE, I, FAUSTINO G. DY III, OIC- Governor of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue this order 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.

Further, butchering or slaughtering of swine or pigs whether for personal and commercial consumption is allowed at authorized abattoir/ slaughterhouse only. *Veterinary Health Certificate* issued by the Municipal/City Veterinarian shall be secured by the livestock owner and must presented to the municipal/city abattoir prior to butchering and *Certificate of Ante-and Post Mortem Inspection* from the Municipal/ City Meat Inspector before vending;

Furthermore, all Local Government Unit and Barangay authorities are directed to ensure the application of all laws, ordinances, and other issuances in the implementation 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 11th day of February 2020 in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.

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