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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 74th REGULAR SESSION OF THE 10th SANGGUNIAN
PANLALAWIGAN OF ISABELA HELD AT PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, ILAGAN CITY, ISABELA
ON APRIL 13, 2021.

PRESENT:

FAUSTINO G. DY III	Vice Governor & Presiding Officer
DELFINITO EMMANUEL L. ALBANO	Member (1 st District) & Floor Leader
EMMANUEL JOSELITO B. AÑES	Member (1 st District)
ED CHRISTIAN S. GO	Member (2 nd District)
EDGAR R. CAPUCHINO	Member (2 nd District)
RAMON JUAN N. REYES, JR.	Member (3 rd District)
RANDOLPH JOSEPH P. ARREOLA	Member (3 rd District)
CLIFFORD R. RASPADO	Member (4 th District)
ABEGAIL V. SABLE	Member (4 th District)
FAUSTINO U. DY IV	Member (5 th District)
EDWARD S. ISIDRO	Member (5 th District)
ALFREDO V. ALILI	Member (6 th District)
MARCO PAOLO A. MERIS	Member (6 th District)
ANTONIO S. HUI	Member, PCL Federation President
DANTE G. HALAMAN	Member, LnB Federation President
DAX PAOLO C. BINAG	Member, SK Federation President
ADRIAN PHILIP S. BAYSAC	Member, Agricultural /Industrial Workers Labor Sector Representative
VENUS T. BAUTISTA	Member, Women's Sectoral Representative
GRETCHEN F. VALDEZ	Member, Indigenous Cultural Communities Sector Representative

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-14-03 SERIES OF 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, HONORABLE RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, TO UTILIZE AMOUNTS FROM THE LOCAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT FUND (LDRRMF) – 30% QUICK RESPONSE FUND (QRF) FOR THE CONTINUOUS IMPLEMENTATION AND INTENSIFICATION OF THE COVID-19 PREVENTION AND RESPONSE MEASURES OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA

Sponsor: HON. FAUSTINO U. DY IV
Chairperson, Committee on Finance and Appropriations

Co-Sponsor: HON. ALFREDO V. ALILI
Chairperson, Committee on Disaster Preparedness

WHEREAS, the country is experiencing an unprecedented public health crisis due to the spread and pervasiveness of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, acknowledging the existence of such crisis, his Excellency, President Rodrigo R. Duterte, issued Proclamation No. 922, series of 2020, which placed the entire country under State of Public Health Emergency;

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WHEREAS, recognizing the dire socio-economic effects brought by the pandemic in the Province and for the expeditious mobilization of the assets of the Provincial Government of Isabela to contain the spread of the virus, on March 10, 2020, this Honorable Body passed Resolution No. 2020-09-4 which placed the entire Province of Isabela under a State of Calamity;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, pursuant to Proclamation No. 929, His Excellency President Rodrigo R. Duterte declared a State of Calamity throughout the country due to COVID-19 to afford LGUs ample latitude to utilize appropriate funds, including the Quick Response Fund (QRF);

WHEREAS, RA 11494 or the Bayanihan to Recover as One Act, authorized the President to undertake, among others, the lifting of the thirty percent (30%) cap on the amount appropriated for QRF during the State of National Emergency;

WHEREAS, despite government efforts, the COVID-19 cases continues to rise, hence, Proclamation 1021 was thereafter issued, extending the period of State of Calamity throughout the country for a period of one year, effective September 13, 2020 to September 12, 2021;

WHEREAS, the Province of Isabela is experiencing a sudden surge in local COVID-19 transmissions. According to the OCTA Research Group, the Province of Isabela is now one of the COVID-19 Hotspots in the country as it recorded a 64% increase in new COVID-19 cases from March 25, 2021 to April 1, 2021;

WHEREAS, data from the Provincial Local Health Board provides that local medical facilities have reached, even breached, their respective institutional capacities in accommodating COVID-19 cases;

WHEREAS, this sudden increase in COVID-19 cases prompted the Provincial Government of Isabela to swiftly mobilize its resources to contain, address, and resolve the same. However, this has resulted in the rapid depletion of funds allotted for the Province's COVID-19 programs and services;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Governor, Honorable Rodolfo T. Albano III, sent a Letter to this Honorable Body, dated April 5, 2021, requesting for the utilization of the 30% Quick Response Fund to address the recent surge of local COVID-19 cases;

WHEREAS, this Honorable Body acknowledges that there exist a clear and urgent need to strengthen the capacity of the Provincial Government of Isabela to respond to the challenges presented by the recent surge of COVID-19 cases in the Province;

WHEREAS, recognizing the situation at hand, and taking into consideration the current declaration of State of Calamity by the President, this Honorable Body grants the Provincial Governor, Honorable Rodolfo T. Albano III, the appropriate authority to utilize the 30% Quick Response Fund of the Provincial Government of Isabela for the purpose of implementing proactive and reactive measures to contain, address, and

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resolve the COVID-19 situation in the Province, subject to the requirements established by law;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, upon motion of **Honorable Faustino U. Dy IV**, duly approved and seconded in a session duly assembled, it was –

RESOLVED, AS IT HEREBY RESOLVES, TO PASS A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, HONORABLE RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, TO UTILIZE AMOUNTS FROM THE LOCAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT FUND (LDRRMF) – 30% QUICK RESPONSE FUND (QRF) FOR THE CONTINUOUS IMPLEMENTATION AND INTENSIFICATION OF THE COVID-19 PREVENTION AND RESPONSE MEASURES OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF ISABELA;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the **Provincial Governor, Honorable Rodolfo T. Albano III**, for his information, guidance, and further action.

Approved and Adopted. April 13, 2021.

I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS
of the foregoing Resolution:

ATTY. FRANCIS JAMES E. MEER
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

ATTESTED/APPROVED:

FAUSTINO G. DY III
Provincial Vice Governor & Presiding Officer