



E-Pray launched for healing

BY ARMAND M. GALANG

CABANATUAN CITY - Amid the distress brought by the pandemic, the clergy and the religious in the Diocese of Caba-

natuan created an online platform to attend to spiritually and physically ill people.

Cabanatuan Bishop Sofronio Bancud said the ministry called E-Pray

Cabanatuan was the result of their efforts to look for ways and means to get in touch with "the many of our brothers and sisters who truly suffer, who were left desperate

because of this experience," referring to the effect of pandemic.

"Ito'y isang paanyaya para sa ating lahat upang sa pagkilala natin sa

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Clark execs return new vehicles, villas

BY BONG Z. LACSON

CLARK FREEPORT - The Clark Development Corp. said Monday it recalled all service vehicles and staff houses issued to its board of directors in response to the Commission on Audit's report red-flagging the practice.

"The CDC management has already ordered the recall of the vehicles which will be pooled for the use of the entire organization," said CDC president-CEO Manuel R. Gaerlan in a statement.

sion, a majority of the board members signified the willingness to lease the houses themselves so they can continue to have a safe place to stay when in Clark," he added.

In a 2020 audit report

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The pictures, taken 3 p.m. Tuesday tell the whole sad story. **ALL PHOTOS BY BZL**

All of SM City Pampanga now under strict protocols

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO -- The whole of SM City Pampanga mall on Tuesday has been placed under the strict protocols embodied in City of San Fernan-

do Mayor Edwin Santiago's Executive Order No. CMO0221-21 in a bid to contain the surge of coronavirus cases in the city.

The EO mandat-

ed, among other strict-order regulations, that only establishments offering "essential services," specifically, supermarkets, banks, pharmacies and hardware stores,

and restaurants offering food takeout and delivery will remain open from April 12 to April 18.

But on the first day of the EO enforcement

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BALANGA CITY

Jabbing of elderly starts

BY ERNIE ESCONDE

BALANGA CITY -- This component city of Bataan on Monday started vaccinating senior citizens against the coronavirus disease that will go

on until April 24.

Gov. Albert Garcia said there are 9,328 senior citizens (aged 60 years and above) in the city but only 3,110 consented to undergo inoculation.

The elderlies came from 25 barangays with every village assigned its scheduled date of vaccination.

City health officer Dr. Mariano Antonio Banzon said they began adminis-

tering the vaccine to the seniors after finishing the vaccination of 1,027 city health workers.

"Sa pagbabakuna, hindi lamang ang ating sarili ang ating ma-

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Mayor EdSa pushes sustainable agriculture

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO -- To maintain food security and livelihood opportunities in different communities here amidst the pandemic, Mayor Edwin

"EdSa" Santiago has ordered the intensification of the city government's gardening and farming programs.

"Napakahirap po ng

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Mayor Edwin Santiago uproots cassava.

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Public schools in CL receive 203,041 early registrants

A TOTAL of 203,341 new entrants for the School Year 2021-2022 have participated in the Early Registration Campaign conducted in public schools in Central Luzon. As of April 12, 2021 at 6:28 PM, there are 43,674 registrants for Kindergarten, 89,308 registrants for Grade 1, 39,013 registrants for Grade 7, and 31,046 registrants for Grade 11. The total number of early registrants come from 3,845 out of 3,854 public schools or

99.79% of schools which submitted data on early registration. The Early Registration for SY 2021-2022, which will be conducted from March 26 to April 30, aims to ensure that incoming learners are registered for the School Year and help the Department better prepare for possible issues and concerns that may arise, as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 3, s. 2018, or the Basic Education Enrollment policy.

This initiative encourages all incoming Kindergarten, Grades 1, 7, and 11 in public elementary and secondary schools to pre-register to allow the Department to make necessary preparations and incoming plans for the coming school year. Meanwhile, DepEd reminded schools and the public to still follow precautionary measures against COVID-19 transmission for the early registration activity. "In the context of the

prevailing COVID-19 public health emergency, the conduct of early registration shall be done remotely in areas under General Community Quarantine (GCQ). In-person registration through parents or guardians may be allowed in areas under Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) provided physical distancing and health and safety protocols are strictly observed," Secretary Leonor Briones said in a statement.

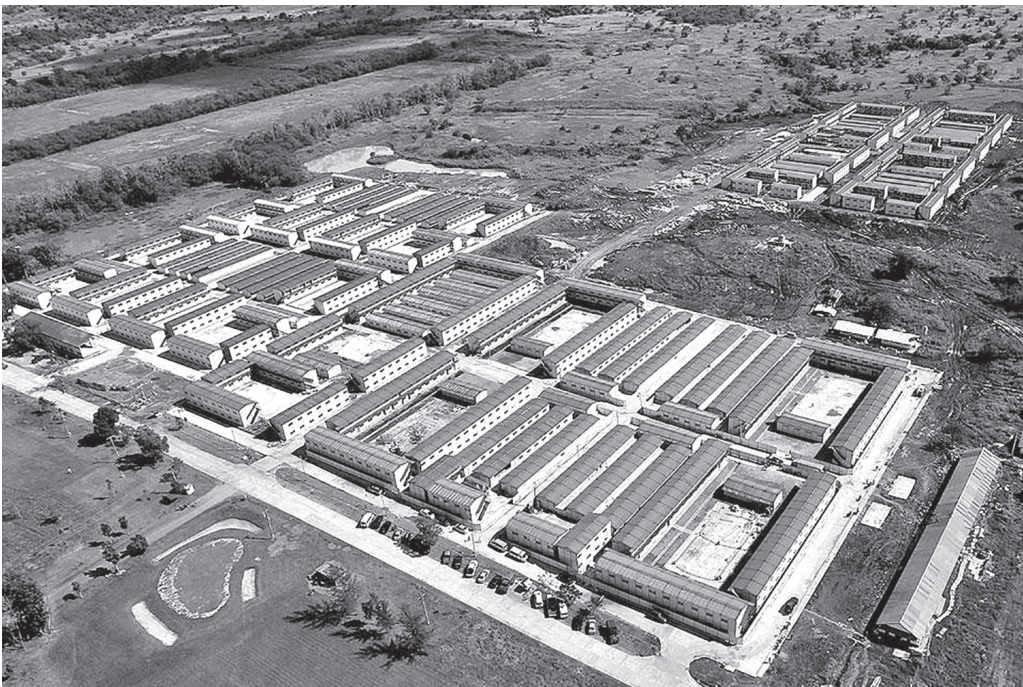
Aside from incoming Kinder and Grades 1, 7, and 11 students, it also seeks to locate, identify and register out of school youth and children who may be identified as living with disabilities; living in an off-grid community; living in a barangay without a school; living in a geographically isolated area; displaced due to natural disaster; living in an armed conflict area; living in an area with a high level of criminality/drug abuse; having

a chronic illness; having nutritional problems; a victim of child abuse or economic exploitation; stateless/undocumented; in conflict with the law; living on the streets; and no longer in school but interested in going back to school. The early registration campaign ensures the right of all school-aged learners to enroll and be equally provided with quality, accessible, relevant, and liberating basic education.

Riding-in-tandem attacks in NE: Online seller killed, bizman survives

CABANATUAN CITY - A 32-year-old female online seller was killed while a rice mill owner survived in separate gun attacks, both perpetrated by riding in tandem suspects, in Nueva Ecija on Sunday. Joan Santos, resident of Barangay Bantug Norte, died on the spot after she was shot by still unidentified suspects along the Nueva Ecija-Aurora road in Barangay Pangatian this city at around 6:20 p.m., police said. Investigation showed Santos was driving an improvised tricycle, locally known as kolong-kolong, with a male

cousin when the gunman shot her "using a short firearm." Earlier, about 7:30 a.m. that same day, businessman Albert Duran, 64, was "standing inside his compound (rice mill) when shot by two men on board a motorcycle," police reported. Hit "several times in his legs, arm and stomach," the victim was rushed to the Bongabon District Hospital and later transferred to a private hospital here. Investigations are being conducted as the suspects in both attacks have managed to escape.



The mega DATRC in Fort Magsaysay. **FB PHOTOGRAB/CTTO.**

PDEA command center in Clark

CLARK FREEPORT (CIAC-CCO, 14 April 2021) --- An interdiction unit of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency here in Central Luzon has a new home at Clark, according to Clark International Airport Corp. president Aaron Aquino. Aquino said he granted the request of PDEA on Wednesday to provide a 600-square meter office building at the Clark civil aviation complex owned and managed by the CIAC. The facility will be used by the PDEA regional staff and as command center of the agency's Drug Interdiction Task Group tasked to stem the flow of illegal drugs in the region. "CIAC has to take the initiative to have the presence of a PDEA task force headquarters here as it will boost the efforts of various law enforcement agencies inside Clark especially so that the (Clark) airport is

a public utility and therefore a public concern," Aquino said. Aquino is himself a former police general who led the PDEA and the national campaign against illegal drugs from 2017 to 2020 before being appointed to head the state-run aviation firm. He noted that the international airport and the Bureau of Customs' Port of Clark are major channels that continue to be used in the illicit drug trade. The CIAC currently sits with the Philippine National Police Aviation Security Group as fellow deputies of the Clark International Airport's Security Committee led by its private operator, LIPAD. PDEA's new office building is located in a 3,000-sqm lot and will also serve as kennel training and housing facility for the agency's Narcotics Detection Dogs.



CIAC Property Manager Robert Urbano (left) assists Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency agent Joseph Samson, head of the Clark Interdiction Unit, during an inspection of the office building to be provided by the Clark International Airport Corp. at the civil aviation complex inside Clark. The facility will be used by the PDEA regional staff and as command center of the interdiction group tasked to stem the flow of illegal drugs in the region. **(CIAC-CCO)**

Mega rehab center open to Covid patients

BY ARMAND M. GALANG

CABANATUAN CITY - The mega Drug Abuse Treatment and Rehabilitation Center (DATRC), a Chinese-donated facility for drug dependents inside Fort Ramon Magsaysay, has some 400 beds dedicated to coronavirus disease patients. DATRC medical chief Dr. Nelson Dancel explained, however, said that the area called Temporary Treatment and Monitoring Facility (TTMF) is being

run by the Bureau of Quarantine. "Para sa mga Covid positive talaga 'yun," Dancel said, referring to the area where returning overseas Filipinos were quarantined last year. At present, the TTMF has 90 patients, including soldiers, he said. While the DATRC is under the Department of Health, the TTMF has separate staff, he explained. The DOH Region 3, however, can still make recommendation for pa-

tient confinement. Meanwhile, Dancel said they are implementing strict health protocols in the facility from basic rules on sanitation to temporary ban on visitation to residents. Acknowledging the need for family support in rehabilitation, residents can talk to their loved ones but only through telephones. They also have set up physical barriers between the residents and counselors, he added.

DTI checks firms for protocol compliance

IN THE FACE of the surge in Covid-19 cases in Central Luzon and in the whole country, the Department of Trade and Industry regional and provincial offices in Central Luzon continued their monitoring and post-audit of establishments allowed to operate given the quarantine limitations in the different parts of the country. Based on the data provided by the Consumer Protection Division of DTI Region 3 for March, 2021, a total of 207 establishments, including beauty salon and spa, barbershops, eateries and similar establishments, have been inspected by the monitoring teams of the provincial and regional offices of DTI-3 for their compliance to health protocol guidelines required by DTI-DOLE Joint Memorandum Circular 20-04A and DTI Memorandum Circular

20-28 and 20-37. The circulars refer to supplemental workplace guidelines to prevent and control the spread of Covid-19 infection in establishments allowed to operate. These guidelines include provision of contact tracing mechanisms, regular disinfection, implementation of no face mask, no entry policy, presence of visual signages regarding health protocols, proper ventilation and other similar policies. Director Leonila T. Baluyut, OIC Regional Director of DTI-3, noted that compliance by Central Luzon establishments to the DTI-DOLE JMC has been increasing in the past months. She relayed that in January, 2021, out of the 41 establishments monitored, the compliance rate was only 61%, while in February, out of the 158 randomly monitored establishments, 72% were

compliant with the workplace guidelines. In March, 2021, out of the 207 establishments post-audited, 74 % were considered compliant with the workplace guidelines. She remained optimistic that establishments will continue to follow workplace guidelines to stem the surge of Covid-19 infection especially in workplaces. She further noted that in 2020, 87% of the 11,239 monitored and post-audited were compliant to health protocols in workplaces. Director Baluyut urged companies in Central Luzon to abide by the DTI-DOLE JMC on workplace health protocols to protect workers, customers and guests. She also asked firms to regularly conduct disinfection and alternative work arrangements and establish their own guidelines to help in controlling the spread of Covid-19 infection.



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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 85TH REGULAR SESSION (21ST VIRTUAL SESSION) OF THE 7TH SANGGUNANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA HELD ON THE 5TH DAY OF APRIL 2021

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Hon. VILMA B. CALUAG	LnB Pres. (Ex-Officio Member)
Hon. GUSTAV JOHN S. HENSON.....	SK Fed. Pres. (Ex-Officio Member)

ABSENT:

Hon. RALPH DANIEL M. HENSON	Member
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ORDINANCE NO. 2021-010
Sponsor: Hon. Nelson G. Lingat

AN ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY AND PARTIALLY CLOSING THE LOCAL STREETS: PORTION OF THE V. TIOMICO ST., SIDEWALK AND PUJ TERMINAL ALONG V. TIOMICO ST., PUBLIC BASKETBALL COURT ALONG JOSE ABAD SANTOS ST., AND THE ROAD BESIDE THE CREEK AT THE WET SECTION OF THE OLD PUBLIC MARKET, ALL LOCATED AT BARANGAY STO. ROSARIO, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE OLD PUBLIC MARKET OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA

WHEREAS, pursuant to Memorandum Circular No. 2019-193 issued by the Department of Interior Local Government (DILG) re: Regulating the Use of Streets, Avenues, Alleys, Sidewalks, Parks and Other Public Places within LGU Jurisdiction, subject to other applicable laws and policies; WHEREAS, according to the abovementioned Memorandum, when public works or activities are being undertaken, the facility may be closed only for the period necessary to facilitate its completion or to ensure the safety, security, health and welfare of the public;

WHEREAS, pursuant to (d) Section 21 (Closure and Opening of Roads) of the RA 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991, any city, municipality, or barangay may, by a duly enacted Ordinance, temporarily close and regulate the use of any local street, road, thoroughfare, or any other public place where shopping malls, Sunday, flea or night markets, or shopping areas may be established and where goods, merchandise, foodstuffs, commodities, or articles of commerce may be sold and dispensed to the general public;

WHEREAS, there is a need to close local streets temporarily and partially, to give way for the construction of the Old Public Market, namely:

- 1.portion of the V. Tiomico St.;
- 2.sidewalk and PUJ terminal along V. Tiomico St.;
- 3.the Public Basketball Court along Jose Abad Santos St.; and,
- 4.the road beside the creek at the wet section of the Old Public Market

WHEREAS, the above-cited local streets along the Poblacion area of the City of San Fernando, Pampanga shall be temporarily and partially closed for one year, effective April 19, 2021 to April 19, 2022;

NOW THEREFORE, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of San Fernando, Pampanga, in session assembled, adopts as it hereby adopts the following Ordinance:

“AN ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY AND PARTIALLY CLOSING THE LOCAL STREETS: PORTION OF THE V. TIOMICO ST., SIDEWALK AND PUJ TERMINAL ALONG V. TIOMICO ST., PUBLIC BASKETBALL COURT ALONG JOSE ABAD SANTOS ST., AND THE ROAD BESIDE THE CREEK AT THE WET SECTION OF THE OLD PUBLIC MARKET, ALL LOCATED AT BARANGAY STO. ROSARIO, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE OLD PUBLIC MARKET OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA.”

ADOPTED this 5th day of April 2021.

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance adopted by the 7th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of San Fernando, Pampanga during its 85th Regular Session (21st Virtual Session) held on April 5, 2021.

(SGD.) AVELINA M. LACANILAO-LAGMAN, DPA
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

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(SGD.) JAIME T. LAZATIN, DPA
City Vice-Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

(SGD.) EDWIN D. SANTIAGO
City Mayor

April 13, 2021
Date

To the Point

Import mindset

INCREASED PORK importation should only be allowed as “the last resort” to fill up the shortage in the local supply in the wake of the African swine fever that hit the country.

Thus Sen. Juan Miguel Zubiri lectured the Department of Agriculture at Monday’s Senate Committee of the Whole hearing on the recently signed Executive Order No. 128, which reportedly reduces pork import tariffs from 40 percent to five percent.

The senator noted the “unabated importation of choice cuts for local consumption to the detriment of the local producers of pork products.”

Zubiri told Agriculture Secretary William: “Whenever there’s a problem in prices, the immediate reaction of the DA is to import. What the reaction of the DA should be is: ‘Wait, we should help our farmers rather than the farmers in other countries. The joke among local farmers and cooperatives is that the DA should be renamed as the Department of Importation.’”

On the ASF, Zubiri recalled that at a hearing of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Food in March 2019, he had already raised the alarm over the looming threat and recommended a ban on pork imports not only from ASF-hit countries but also their neighboring countries.

“Still ASF was able to get in because of importation and smuggling, and now farmers in Luzon are totally devastated. I know people who are down to zero hogs on their farms now,” Zubiri lamented.

Furthered he: “And with the executive order on the increased importation as well as the lowering of the import tariffs of imported pork products, the more they will lose money. If we import, we damage the local industry. So, we appeal to the DA to revise the EO. This is a big blow to our producers. Even at a 40 percent tariff, the imports are cheaper than local products. Now you lower it even more to five percent.”

A “triple whammy,” the senator called the situation: “The farmers lost money. Then the government also lost money because of the loss in taxes. And what’s worse is that the price of pork is still high.”

As a safety net, Zubiri called on the executive department to “declare a state of calamity with regard to ASF so that we can release loans to our affected farmers. Let’s help the industry help itself, and let’s reverse the policy of always importing agricultural products.”

With an import mindset, will it listen?

— With news reports



Shepherd's Call

Bishop Pablo Virgilio S. David

One Mind, One Heart

MANY YEARS ago, while attending a Mass in English in the University Chapel of Louvain, all the Filipinos in the congregation were surprised when the lector began to read the first reading. She said, “A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippines.” (We looked at each other and smiled. The Philippines did not exist yet in the time of St. Paul.)

I wonder if Rizal had not deliberately intended to address these words to his beloved “Filipinas,” his “patria adorada” whom he had personified in the NOLI with the character of Sisa — the woman who was grieving and who had lost her sanity because she could not find her sons who had gone missing: Crispin and Basilio.

I wonder if Rizal had not intentionally used this line from the Gospel as his cryptic way of saying, “I know I will be a dead man walking after I publish this novel. I know that the Spanish colonial authorities will tag me as a an “ereje” or a “filibuster,” meaning, a subversive, and they will want me dead. But what will happen to our beloved country, to the Crispins and Basilio of this hapless nation if we all hold on to our personal security and refuse to risk our lives to redeem our native land?”

I am inclined to think that he had meant this especially for his family and his friends who tried their best to persuade him to go easy with his anti-establishment writings. He must have meant it for the people he loved who tried to convince him to just use a pseudonym if he was going to publish it at all.

If this is true, it means the NOLI was already the equivalent of his ULTIMO ADIOS, the poem he eventually wrote and left as parting words before he was executed at Bagumbayan, the poem we all were made to recite by rote memory when we were in high school. NOLI ME TANGERE could have been his way of saying “DO NOT HOLD ON TO ME; LET GO OF ME. My departure will be bitter but it will be for a good purpose if it helps awaken this sleeping nation to finally learn to fight for her freedom, to stand for the future of her children.”

There is no ascension story in the Gospel of John. We find it only in Luke and Acts. What you have in John is the Gospel we heard today, Jesus leaving a

message for his disciples through Mary Magdalene, “Do not hold on to me, for I HAVE NOT YET ASCENDED TO THE FATHER. But go to my brothers and tell them, ‘I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”

Jesus is announcing his departure—he is going away. It is not a sad departure but a happy one because it is going to be the equivalent of a home run for humankind, for all of us. Having suffered and died in the human flesh, he will now also lift up our mortal humanity to divinity and permanently connect us to God. Ascension completes the bridge he had built through his cross, through the Paschal Mystery.

It is a timely message for all of us, especially in this time of pandemic, when suffering and death have never become more real. What is it anyway that we find ourselves holding on to in case we really have to go and our time is up? We’re all just passing in this world, aren’t we? Jesus’ message to Mary Magdalene can be reworded in another way, “TAKE COURAGE, I HAVE OVERCOME THE WORLD.”

Like Magdalene, we all have the tendency to cling to this world, to hold on desperately, and “to grieve like there is no hope,” to borrow from the words of St. Paul.

I wonder if you’ve ever heard that parable about the easiest way to catch a monkey? They say all you need to do is make a little hole on the nut of a coconut. Put inside the coconut a few pieces of colorful and flavorful candies that he can see through the hole and smell with his nose. He will slide his hand into the hole and grab the candies. His hand will be stuck inside because he won’t let go. That’s when you catch him. And yet, the secret of being set free is so simple: DO NOT HOLD ON. NOLI ME TANGERE.

(Homily for Tuesday within the Octave of Easter, 6 April 2021, John 20:11-18)

Kapampangans, Resist: UP Aguman’s Sining 2021 Returns

THE MUCH-AWAITED annual arts and talents competition for Kapampangan high school students hosted by UP Aguman goes virtual for 2021. Amidst the pandemic brought about by COVID-19, Sining 2021 returns to celebrate the Kapampangan prowess. Through the years, the Kapampangan culture has remained steadfast in weathering storms, from the eruption of Mt. to Pinatubo up to the fight against COVID-19. As youth, we continue to resist and persevere.

Sining 2021 envisions the Kapampangan youth to acknowledge their very own prowess, to counter the world’s trend of blurring the vitality of one’s diversity and identity. We counter the looming tides with the Kapampangan spirit as we celebrate our very own culture and talent. Time after time, Kapampangans have faced numerous challenges, but with the will to thrive, we rise against all odds.

The prestigious annual talent and arts competition returns this April 17 & April 24, 2021

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The Public Space

Jun Sula

Binaries in the Bug Blight

The pandemic has constricted people's vocabulary to binaries, not the newspeak of the Orwellian kind but more of the fewspeak. At times, though, both genres are conflated to betray official mendacity or outright deception.

And the jury from the sector of experts, who know better, is out: government approach to the virus rampage is anything but competent. It's dumb or dumber. Take it from a former health secretary not too long ago who described the current COVID 19 situation as worse than before it began. How do you define something that started as a tragedy and then morphs into something else? Farce, an idea of Karl Marx, may even be an understatement. To be forewarned is to be forearmed going into the 2022 polls.

Best practice? Forget about it. There seems to be none, or there are but those running the anti-COVID campaign just don't get it or have never learned a valuable lesson or two.

Two words characterize people's frustration to the situation: despair and distrust. It doesn't matter which comes first because they yield the same result. If people are still undecided – many them anyway—to have themselves shot with the vaccine, especially the Chinese brand, it's due to lack of trust, of the vaccine and/or of those who propose it.

The impact of the so-called 'influencers', who have jumped the priority line to get ahead at the expense of those who should get it first, hasn't really moved the needle. More would rather keep their arms at well, arm's length with a ten-foot pole.

It's not the 'influence', stupid; it's the immunity from the bug. But somehow, those who have honored the priority rule more in the breach have gotten away, not with murder, but moral homicide. The show-cause order issued by the government is no more than a slap in the wrist or going to the motion of enforcing the law.

Public conversation about the pandemic have revolved around binaries: positive or negative, symptomatic or asymptomatic, vaccinated or vulnerable, senior or on the way. The virus has been the great equalizer since the party-list system. Its victims are no longer admitted or, worse, cremated according to the usual have – or – have – not – yardstick. Much of the existential or nihilistic questions that arise and come around – what's happening to the world--- are no longer deeply rooted in the great divide of, following Perry Pangan's dichotomy, of atinan or alanan. (Go back to the previous sentence, please). Everybody is the virus' target now.

Still, all things being equal, the rich have the advantage of choice by virtue of wherewithal.

Kapampangans...

FROM PAGE 4

with the theme: Datila: King Sabang Pamanlupig, Mángibábo ya ing Mibábatang Kapampangan. Sining 2021 will continue to bring with it diverse and entertaining performances and outputs that showcase the unparalleled talent of the Kapampangan youth. True to its vision of showcasing Kapampangan talent, Sining 2021 is open to all Kapampangan high school students and winners will also

receive cash prizes up to PHP 3,000.

You may view the competition details at bit.ly/Sining2021-Mechanics and submit your entries at bit.ly/Sining2021Submission. You may also see the official Facebook page for more information: <https://www.facebook.com/Agusining>.

UP Aguman's Sining 2021 is co-presented by Clark Marriott Hotel, in partnership with

While many are obviously gaming the system in the name of public welfare, an oxymoron in both theory and practice, someone very special look the other way. Not even his alter egos appear to mind that it's happening before their naked eyes or are, in fact, doing the gaming themselves. Politics has essentially been Darwinian, survival of the fittest or of the kapalmuks. The road to hell, a successful coach but a less successful politician was quoted as saying, is paved with good intentions. It's a veneer game, Bembol, even one that involves dribbling the truth or bouncing it off people's face.

In the face of such willy-nilly leadership, people are naturally worried about the country's leadership. The binary question is: is he sick or healthy, dead or alive. Finally, he had made it known to all and sundry, without the benefit of an interpreter or a mouthpiece, that his absence was deliberate. He, forthwith, advised his detractors and ill-wishers to pray pa-more for his departure. He didn't mean politics, because the countdown has long started. But, it's too soon to count him out.

Mysteriously, the Absent-in-Chief, made himself scarce at a time when China practically conducted a naval invasion of the Julian Reef in the South China Sea. The air force mission that flew over the China armada of 200 or militia ships didn't hear "this is a drill" but was rudely warned for flying over Chinese territory.

His consistency is suspect, Xi Ping's disciple. He said he wasn't willing to fight a war with China, given the latter's superiority, man and machine-wise. Former Supreme Court justice Antonio Carpio has already made it clear that there is a huge distinction between saying no to rape and former senator Raul Manglapus' much recommendation to just grin and bear it.

So much about the faked jet-ski adventure in the making.

Until the pandemic is over or President Duterte's term is finally completed without any interruption, from above or below, Filipinos will just have to settle with the practical binaries of day to day existence. It's either a face mask or a face shield. Go out or go hungry, bug or bread. Life has been such a dire strait these days, not just because of an invisible bug but a nearly invisible leadership. In the former, a mask or a shield may be a safe bet. In the latter, you know what you see is what you get, with or without a mask.

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Napag-uusapan Lang

Felix M. Garcia

Panawagan kay Pangulo: Sipain na sina Duque at Domingo

MAHIGIT isang taon na ang nakaraan mula nang sa Covid-19 mahawaan ang 'mil de mil' nating mga kababayan, na kung saan 'thousands' na rin ang namatay.

Pero hanggang ngayon ang D.O.H. natin, (na ang timon nito ay parehong 'kingpin' at ang 'expertise' n'yan lubhang kakaiba rin, anong sa kanila maasahan natin?

Wala kundi lalong sa bawat lumipas na mga sandali, minuto at oras patuloy ang bilang nitong nalalagas na buhay ng taong dapat mailigtas.

At kung saan dahil sa tila kawalan ng kakayahan at/o kapabayaang nina Isko't Eric, daming di nabigyan ng solusyon, kaya dapat nang mag-'resign'!

Bago pa sipain ni pangulong Digong, na sa ganang atin ang siyang tamang aksyon laban sa kanila – na di makatugon sa wastong paraan' at akmang 'protocol'.

Ano't igigiit nila itong 'vaccines' na kagaya r'yan ng imbes daw gumaling ang nagpabakuna – nangisay noon din, matapos turukan ng pang-Covid-19?

Alin pa man d'yan sa klase ng bakuna na pawang galing sa iba't-ibang bansa, wala pa ring katiyakan na mabisa, sa kadahilanang kailan lang ginawa.

Liban sa alin man ay di maituturing na epektibo at maasahan nating, ligtas sa ganitong klase r'yan ng 'vaccines' kaya nga't marami ang ayaw marahil.

Tayo man bang ito ay payag turukan ng ganyang bakuna, na napabalitang imbes gumaling ay dagliang namatay, at itong D.O.H. ay kampante lamang?

Di kaya nang dahil sa itong si Duque at si Domingo ay magkatambal bale sa 'buy & sell' kaya hangga't maaari pati sa bakuna kumita ang buwi****?

Kung noon pa man ay itong 'IVERMECTINE' subok na't ito ay nakapagpagaling sa gumamit na n'yan, bakit di subukin ang taglay na bisa kontra Covid-19?

Kung ang katwiran ng dalawang kalog na diumano ay para lang sa hayop ang nasabing napaka-mabisang gamot, anong sa tao n'yan masamang idulot?

Di ba ang anumang klase ng 'medicine' ay sa hayop muna yata tine 'testing,' gaya sa Kuneho, Daga o sa Matsing, bago 'yan sa 'human' marapat gamitin?

'Alibi' na lang din ni Eric at Isko, na ang lisensya ng gumagawa nito paso na, kaya di puedeng maindorso, ya'y napakasimpleng dahilan, Amigo.

Eh di madaliin ang pagpapalbas nitong kaukulang dokumento't lahat ng kailangan upang mai-'release' agad ang lisensya nito, 'within just few hours'!?



REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
LALAWIGAN NG PAMPANGA
LUNGSOD NG SAN FERNANDO

TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 85TH REGULAR SESSION (21ST VIRTUAL SESSION) OF THE 7TH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA HELD ON THE 5TH DAY OF APRIL 2021

PRESENT:

Hon. JAIME T. LAZATIN Presiding Officer
Hon. BENEDICT JASPER SIMON R. LAGMAN..... Member
Hon. HARVEY A. QUIWA Member
Hon. RENATO G. AGUSTIN Member
Hon. CELESTINO S. DIZON Member
Hon. ARIEL C. CARREON..... Member
Hon. CRISTINA D. LAGMAN Member
Hon. NELSON G. LINGAT Member
Hon. RAUL F. MACALINO Member
Hon. REDENTOR S. HALILI Member
Hon. VILMA B. CALUAG LnB Pres. (Ex-Officio Member)
Hon. GUSTAV JOHN S. HENSON..... SK Fed. Pres. (Ex-Officio Member)

ABSENT:

Hon. RALPH DANIEL M. HENSON Member

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-011
Sponsor: Hon. Renato G. Agustin

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING LOCAL FRANCHISE TO OPERATE THE “DECORACION PRIVATE RESORT” LOCATED BARANGAY CALULUT, CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

EXPLANATORY NOTE

WHEREAS, the City Government of San Fernando, Pampanga has enacted Ordinance No. 2015-024, otherwise known as the Games and Amusement Code of the City of San Fernando, Pampanga, and later amended by virtue of SP Ordinance No. 2019- 008, to regulate and protect people going and employed in amusement centers, carnivals, fairs, resorts, amusement parks, cockpit arenas, internet cafes, e-bingo, games and the traditional bingo parlors, karaoke bars, among others;

WHEREAS, the “Decoracion Private Resort” owned and operated by a certain Rosalind P. Reyes, is one among the many business establishments covered by this abovementioned Ordinance;

WHEREAS, the owner has applied for a franchise to operate the “Decoracion Private Resort” at barangay Calulut, City of San Fernando, Pampanga;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Barangay of Calulut, this city, passed Barangay Resolution No. 1, series of 2021, “endorsing the operation of the “Decoracion Private Resort” subject however to the observance and compliance to the local Ordinances imposed by the City Government of San Fernando, Pampanga especially the health protocols during the COVID 19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, the application was referred to the Committee on Games and Amusements which subsequently conducted committee hearings and consultations to determine the merit and purpose of the application to operate the above-mentioned private resort;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod found the application meritorious and in order, thereby grants the applicant, Ms. Rosalind P. Reyes, the authority to operate the “Decoracion Private Resort” in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga (local franchise) as mandated by R.A. 7160 for its operation; renewable every three (3) years from the enactment of SP Ordinance No. 2019-008;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of City Government of San Fernando, Pampanga, in session assembled, adopts as it hereby adopts the following Ordinance:

ARTICLE I
Title

Section 1. Title- This Ordinance shall be known as:

“AN ORDINANCE GRANTING LOCAL FRANCHISE TO OPERATE THE “DECORACION PRIVATE RESORT” LOCATED BARANGAY CALULUT, CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

Section 2. Definition of Terms – As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

2.1 Business – refers to the trade or commercial activity regularly engaged in as a means of livelihood or with a view of profit;

2.2 Charges – refers to a pecuniary liability, as rents or fees against persons or property;

2.3 Tax – refers to an enforced contribution usually monetary in form, leveled by the law-making body on person and property subject to its jurisdiction for the precise purpose of supporting governmental duties;

2.4 Fee – means a charge fixed by law or ordinance for the regulation or inspection of a business or activity; it shall also include charges fixed

by law or agency for the services of a public officer in the discharge of his official duties;

2.5 Franchise – is a right or privilege affected with public interest which is conferred upon private persons or corporations, under such terms and conditions as the government and political subdivisions may impose in the interests of the public welfare

ARTICLE II
Authority to Operate

Section 1. Authority to Operate – There is hereby granted to a certain Ms. Rosalind P. Reyes, the authority (local franchise) to operate the “Decoracion Private Resort”, located at barangay Calulut, this city, with duly approved license from any other government-controlled corporations and agencies vested with such authority.

Section 2. Duration of the Authority to Operate – The Authority to Operate herein granted to Ms. Rosalind P. Reyes, to operate the “Decoracion Private Resort” for three (3)) years only, retroactive from January 1, 2020 up to up to December 31, 2022, subject however, to the option of Ms. Rosalind P. Reyes, to renew thereafter.

ARTICLE III
Payment of Business Taxes

Section 1. Payment of Business, Fees and Charges – Business Taxes, Fees and other charges shall be imposed and made payable yearly by Ms. Rosalind P. Reyes, to the City Treasurer’s Office during the lifetime of this Ordinance and its subsequent renewal.

ARTICLE IV
Penalty Clause

Section 1. Penalty – Failure on the part of Ms. Rosalind P. Reyes, to comply with any or all provisions of this Ordinance shall be meted the following fines and penalties, over and above the penalties imposed by the Office of the City Treasurer of the City of San Fernando, Pampanga, to wit:

a. For First Offense – Any person, natural or juridical, who violates this Ordinance for the first time shall be fined the amount of Three Thousand (=P=3,000.00) Pesos and a stern warning of revocation of the Business Permit to operate and or the imposition of the penalty of imprisonment for six (6) months;

b. For Second Offense - Any person, natural or juridical, who violates this Ordinance For the first time shall be fined the amount of Five Thousand (=P=5,000.00) Pesos and the cancellation of the Business Permit to operate with the penalty of imprisonment of one (1) year; without prejudice to the filing of other criminal cases in violation of other existing national laws.

The officers of the juridical person such as the manager, operator/administrator or any person in-charge of the management of the “Decoracion Private Resort” shall be directly responsible for its operation and shall be fined and penalized as that of the natural person.

ARTICLE V
Miscellaneous Provisions

Section 2. Repealing Clause – Local Ordinance, Resolutions, Orders, Rules and Regulations and other issuances of the City Government of San Fernando, Pampanga that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended and modified accordingly.

Section 3. Separability Provision – If for any reasons, any section of this Ordinance, or any portion hereof, or the application of such section or provision, or portion hereof to any person, group or circumstance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall its full force and effect.

Section 4. Effectivity – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after its approval, publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Pampanga and the posting of the same in the city’s Bulletin Board and conspicuous places.

ADOPTED this 5th day of April 2021.

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance adopted by the 7th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of San Fernando, Pampanga during its 85th Regular Session (21st Virtual Session) held on April 5, 2021.

(SGD.) AVELINA M. LACANILAO-LAGMAN, DPA
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

(SGD.) JAIME T. LAZATIN, DPA
City Vice-Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

(SGD.) EDWIN D. SANTIAGO
City Mayor

April 13, 2021
Date



REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
LALAWIGAN NG PAMPANGA
LUNGSOD NG SAN FERNANDO

TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 83RD REGULAR SESSION (19TH VIRTUAL SESSION) OF THE 7TH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA HELD ON THE 15TH DAY OF MARCH 2021

PRESENT:

Hon. JAIME T. LAZATIN	Presiding Officer
Hon. BENEDICT JASPER SIMON R. LAGMAN.....	Member
Hon. HARVEY A. QUIWA	Member
Hon. RENATO G. AGUSTIN	Member
Hon. CELESTINO S. DIZON	Member
Hon. ARIEL C. CARREON.....	Member
Hon. CRISTINA D. LAGMAN	Member
Hon. RALPH DANIEL M. HENSON	Member
Hon. NELSON G. LINGAT	Member
Hon. RAUL F. MACALINO	Member
Hon. REDENTOR S. HALILI	Member
Hon. VILMA B. CALUAG	LnB Pres. (Ex-Officio Member)

ABSENT:

Hon. GUSTAV JOHN S. HENSON.....	SK Fed. Pres. (Ex-Officio Member)
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ORDINANCE NO. 2021-007
Sponsor: Hon. Nelson G. Lingat

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE GRANT TO REAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS IN THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA, AMNESTY FROM THE PAYMENT OF INTERESTS, SURCHARGES AND SUCH OTHER PENALTIES ACCRUING FROM THEIR UNPAID REAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR TAXABLE YEAR 2020 AND PRIOR YEARS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2021

WHEREAS, taxes are the lifeblood of the government, without income from taxation, the government may not be able to fulfill its mandate to serve the public good, hence, an enabling fiscal measure must be adopted to ensure the prompt payment and collection of taxes from which the proceeds are made available to finance administrative and operating expenses, the delivery of basic services, project implementation and such other government development programs;

WHEREAS, His Excellency, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte declared, by virtue Proclamation No. 922, a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines to prevent rapid containment and prevention of the Corona Virus (COVID-19), in view of the pandemic and or international concern which threatens national security and in order to mobilize governmental and non-governmental agencies to respond to the threat;

WHEREAS, the City Government of San Fernando, Pampanga likewise joins the government in its fight against COVID -19, by enacting Ordinances and Resolutions for the conduct, observation and/or institutionalization of health and safety measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 specifically Section 19 of RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 to promote public health and safety, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort of its constituents;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 455, Chapter 3 of RA 7160, par. b (1), the City Mayor as the Chief Executive of the City Government shall exercise such powers and perform such duties and functions xxx for efficient, effective, economical governance the purpose of which is the general welfare of the its inhabitance pursuant to Section 16 of this Code, the City Mayor shall exercise general supervision and control over all programs, projects, services and activities of the city government;

WHEREAS, the City Government of San Fernando, Pampanga through the Sangguniang Panlungsod has enacted the “**THE 2019 REAL PROPERTY TAX AMNESTY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA**”, beginning January 1, 2020 up to December 31, 2020 due to the devastation of Mt. Pinatubo;

WHEREAS, the impending health crisis brought about the COVID 19 necessitates anew the extension of the grant to real property taxpayers in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga, amnesty from the payment of interests, surcharges and such other penalties accruing from their unpaid real property taxes for taxable year 2020 and prior years up to December 31, 2021;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA, in Regular Session assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known and cited as:

“**AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE GRANT TO REAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS IN THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA, AMNESTY FROM THE PAYMENT OF INTERESTS, SURCHARGES AND SUCH OTHER PENALTIES ACCRUING FROM THEIR UNPAID REAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR TAXABLE YEAR 2020 AND PRIOR YEARS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2021**”

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. It shall be the policy of the City Government of San Fernando, Pampanga to provide real property owners reasonable relief under such terms and conditions in order to encourage and enhance the prompt payment and collection of realty taxes.

SECTION 3. GRANT OF TAX AMNESTY. A financial relief or amnesty is hereby authorized for the condonation of the payment of interests, surcharges, fines and such other penalties accruing from unpaid real property taxes on lands, buildings and machineries including those arising from the special levy for the Special Education Fund.

SECTION 4. PROGRAM BENEFICIARIES. Program beneficiaries of this Tax Amnesty are real property owners whether natural or juridical persons who are delinquent in the payment of their real property taxes.

SECTION 5. AVAILMENT OF THE TAX RELIEF. Delinquent Real Property taxpayers in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga may avail of the Tax Relief authorized herein until December 31, 2021.

During this period, taxpayers must settle their tax arrearages for taxable year 2020 and prior years before they may be allowed to make payment of their real property tax for the current year 2021. Thereafter, no further real property tax relief may be granted.

SECTION 6. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION. Aside from the publication of this Ordinance in a newspaper of general circulation, all barangays in the City are hereby enjoined to help disseminate public information through posters, tarpaulins or streamers to be posted in conspicuous places within their respective territorial jurisdictions, for the information and guidance of the general public.

SECTION 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. Should any provision, section of this Ordinance be declared invalid, the other remaining provisions, sections, or parts which were not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE. Any Ordinances or Administrative Orders or Issuances which are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby accordingly repealed.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Ordinance shall upon approval by the Sangguniang Panlungsod take effect immediately and satisfactory compliance of the three (3) consecutive weeks of publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Pampanga and posting of the same in the City’s conspicuous place, including the City’s 35 barangays.

ADOPTED this 15th day of March 2021.

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance adopted by the 7th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of San Fernando, Pampanga during its 83rd Regular Session (19th Virtual Session) held on March 15, 2021.

(SGD.) AVELINA M. LACANILAO-LAGMAN, DPA
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

APPROVED:

(SGD.) JAIME T. LAZATIN, DPA
City Vice-Mayor & Presiding Officer

(SGD.) EDWIN D. SANTIAGO
City Mayor

March 23, 2021
Date

AC LGBTQ+ Community spearheads free Skills Training Program

ANGELES CITY – Members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Lesbian, Queer or Questioning Plus (LGBTQ+) Community here rose to the challenge of helping Angelenos in need with their plans of conducting a livelihood and skills training program for the 33 barangays, in cooperation with the Mayor’s Office.

Mayor Carmelo “Pogi” Lazatin, Jr. fully supports this initiative, showing his gratitude for the efforts being done by the LGBTQ+ community in helping the city government provide alternative livelihood programs for its residents.

“Malaking tulong itong proyekto ng LGBTQ+ community para sa mga kababayan natin, lalo na dun sa mga naapektuhan ang kabuhayan dahil sa pandemya,” Lazatin says.

According to the Angeles City LGBTQ+ Community Head, Jhune Angeles, their group is planning to initially conduct a Dressmaking Skills Training Program.

“Uunahin po nating ituro ang Dressmaking sa ating mga Kababayan. Mag-iikot po tayo sa 33 barangays para turuan ang mga residente na gustong matuto ng skills sa pananahi,” Angeles explained.

Angeles also shared that the group has already coordinated with the barangay captains of the 33 villages, who expressed their support for the program.

“Nakipag-usap na po tayo sa mga barangay captains ng 33 barangays, at pumayag naman po karamihan na magpagamit ng multi-purpose hall, para dun ganapin yung dressmaking skills training program natin,” Angeles said.

With the COVID-19 threat still at large, Angeles said the group will abide by the city’s safety and health

protocols, by limiting the participants per training day.

The group has also sought the assistance of Mayor Lazatin’s Chief Adviser and Tactician IC Calaguas and Gender and Development (GAD) Office Head Mina Cabiles, in providing the sewing machine and other materials for the participants.

To further help the participants after they completed the program, Angeles is also working closely with Calaguas, who is also the Clark International Airport Corporation (CIAC) Vice President of Operations, in securing possible job opportunities for them inside Clark.

He says they are currently working on asking the assistance of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA).

“Inaayos po namin ni Boss IC yung pakikipag-tie up sa TESDA para after training, maging TESDA certified sila after graduation,” Angeles furthered.

As a final note, Angeles called on the members of the city’s LGBTQ+ community to support this program, for their fellow Angelenos.

“Sa mga miyembro po ng LGBTQ+ of Angeles City, patunayan natin na hindi lang pagpapaganda ng sarili natin ang kaya natin gawin kundi pati pagpapaganda ng buhay ng iba. Malaking bagay po ito para sa ating mga kapwa Angeleños upang makapag simula po ng kabuhayan nila kahit nasa sariling tahanan lamang nila. Magtulungan tayo upang mas marami tayong matulungan pa. Magpasalamat tayo na sa kaunaunahang pagkakataon ay magkakaroon na ng espasyo ang LGBTQ+ sa City Hall at ito ay buong puso ng ipinagkaloob ng ating butihing Mayor,” Angeles said.

--Angeles CIO



Mayor Carmelo “Pogi” Lazatin, Jr. fully supports the initiative of the Angeles City Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Lesbian, Queer or Questioning Plus (LGBTQ+) Community, led by Jhune Angeles, in conducting a dressmaking skills training program for the residents in the 33 barangays.

(PHOTOS BY AC-CIO RASSEL SANTIAGO)

E-pray...

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ating kapatid na dumadaan sa ganitong pagsubok sa buhay, lalo na sa larangan ng kalusugan ay ating kinakailangang maiipaabot sa kanila yung ating suporta, yung ating pag-panalangin, upang sa gayo’y mapanumbalik na muli sa kanilang puso ang pagkilala na ang buhay na ito’y kinakailangan nating mapangalagaan at patuloy na pagyamanin,” Bancud said in a video message of support to the ministry on Saturday.

In its portal, E-Pray Cabanatuan said it is an online ministry of the diocese during this time of pandemic to those who are spiritually and physically ill by providing online prayers and counseling.

“Our priests and our lay and religious collaborators will attend to your spiritual needs. We will accompany you in prayers,” it said.

Bancud also urged the faithful to always throw support to patients. “At ang napakahalagang suporta ay isang taimtim na panalangin,” the bishop added.

To get the help of E-Pray, one may contact its mobile number 0926 433 3607 or fill out its online form: bit.ly/epraycabanatuan with the patients details, including contact number, messenger name and link (if there’s any).

A volunteer priest will contact the patient.

--Bong Z. Lacson



Bishop Ruperto C. Santos posting he's been vaxxed. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

Bataan bishop jabbed with Sinovac

By **ERNIE ESCONDE**

BALANGA CITY -- Bishop Ruperto C. Santos of the Diocese of Balanga on Tuesday got his first shot of the vaccine against the coronavirus disease which he said was for the common good and public safety. Santos, 64, was inoculated with Sinovac vaccine at the temporarily closed Grand Ballroom of Lou-is Resort and Restaurant here.

"This is to protect whom I meet and attend my celebrations of sacraments. With my inoculation, the diocese promotes vaccinations and encourages our lay faithful to do the same," the prelate said.

He was among senior citizens from Balanga City and the 11 towns in the

province who received the vaccinations that started Monday.

"To make ourselves safe is to save our people and to follow the health protocols is our service to them," he noted.

He described the healthcare workers at the vaccination area as very professional who performed their tasks with care and very courteous.

"All of them are very helpful and doing their best. We are blessed to have them, to be taken care of by them. The diocese is grateful for their services and sacrifices," Santos said.

"Always with our prayers that God will always keep us safe and strong and will bring healing to our land," he shared.

All of SM City...

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Monday, majority of the mall tenants operated "as usual" regardless of the essentiality of their goods, and restaurants remained open for dine-in. Located within the territorial jurisdiction of Mexico town, they are outside the ambit of Santiago's EO.

With only tenants on the city side of the mall under strict protocols while the rest allowed to go about their normal operations, the intent of the EO was adversely impacted,

even as an uneven playing field obtained among the tenants.

It is reported that SM management took it upon itself to declare the whole mall under Santiago's EO after consultation with the local government of Mexico and the provincial government and with the consent of the affected tenants.

With the EO in place, SM City Pampanga has virtually returned to MECQ status, a ghost of its usual vibrant self. --- **Bong Z. Lacson**

Jabbing...

FROM PAGE 1

puproteksyunan kundi pati na rin ang ating pamilya. Nais po namin na magabayan pa ninyo ang inyong mga apo, at makasama pa nang mas matagal ang inyong pamilya kung kaya't hinihikayat po namin ang lahat ng nakatatanda sa ating lungsod na magpabakuna na," Banzon said.

Vaccination took place at the Grand Ballroom of Lou-is Resort and Restaurant in Balanga City.

"Paalala po na sa pagpunta sa ating vaccination site ay isuot ang face mask, face shield, at sumunod sa social distancing sa

lahat ng panahon. Gayon din ang lagiang pag-sanitize ng ating mga kamay," the CHO head said.

"Nagpapasalamat po ako sa ating mga lolo at lolang tumanggap ng bakuna ngayong araw at sa mga tatanggap pa. Ang inyong pakikiisa sa labang ito ay lubhang mahalaga. Makaaasa po kayong makatatanggap ng bakuna ang lahat ng sumang-ayon dito, sa abot ng aming makakaya sa lalong madaling panahon," the governor said.

Provincial health officer Dr. Rosanna Buccahan said the seniors were given Sinovac vaccines.

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Regional Office No. III
City of San Fernando, Pampanga

Application for **Extension of Validity** of a
Certificate of Public Convenience to operate
a **PUJ** service.

SPS. ALLAN & DOLORES YUTUC
/Applicant
R-EV-PJ-2021-c-2000-2432

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NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant is a grantee of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **PUJ** Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the route: **FRIENDSHIP (Angeles City) – TELABASTAGAN (City of San Fernando, Pampanga)** and vice versa with the use of **ONE (1)** unit/s, which certificate is valid up to **March 22, 2021**. In the application filed on March 19, 2021. Applicant request to Extension of Validity of said Certificate with the use of the same number of unit authorized.

NOTICE is hereby given that this Application will be heard by this Board on at **April 28, 2021 at 9:00 A.M.** at its Office at the above address.

Applicant is hereby ordered to publish this Notice at least **FIVE (5)** days before the above date of hearing once in a newspaper of general circulation in **REGION III**.

Parties opposed to the granting of the Application must file their written oppositions supported by documentary evidence on or before the above date, copy of the same be furnished to the applicant, and may if they so desire appear on the said date and time.

This application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of the records of this case submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary evidence for the judicious resolution of the same.

WITNESS the Honorable **AHMED G. CUIZON**, Regional Director this 24th day of March 2021 in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga.

JE-JESUS D. SISON
Hearing Officer

PUNTO! CENTRAL LUZON: April 12, 2021

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
CITY OF SAN FERNANDO (P)

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
& EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF

SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM,
Petitioner-Mortgagee,

EJF NO. 73-19
PUNTO CENTRAL LUZON

VERSUS

SPOUSES ROLANDO C. KOH
AND OLIVA D. KOH,
Respondents-Mortgagors.
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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135 as amended filed by **SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM** with its office address at SSS Building, East Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City against **SPOUSES ROLANDO C. KOH and OLIVA D. KOH**, with residence and postal address at Lot 32, Block 4, San Jose Village, Sto. Domingo, San Fernando, Pampanga to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of November 1, 2018 amounts to **FOUR MILLION TWO HUNDRED THREE THOUSAND SIXTY ONE & 55/100 (Php 4,203,061.55) PESOS** excluding penalties, charges, attorney's fees and expenses of foreclosure, the undersigned Ex-Officio Sheriff and / or her duty authorized Sheriff IV will sell at public auction on **MAY 13, 2021 at 10:00am or soon thereafter (from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)**, at the main entrance of the RTC Bldg., City of San Fernando, Pampanga, to the highest bidder for **CASH / or Manager's Check and in Philippine Currency**, the following property / ies with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 219747-R

A parcel of land (Lot 32, Blk. 4 of the subd. plan, Psd-03-009160, being a portion of Lot 3273-G-2-B (LRC) Psd-250334, L.R.C Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of San Isidro, Mun. of San Fdo., Prov. of Pamp. xxx containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120) SQUARE METERS, xxx**

"All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above stated time and date."

"In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **MAY 20, 2021** without further notice."

Prospective buyers may investigate for themselves the title herein above described and encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

City of San Fernando, Pampanga, March 29, 2021.

REMIGIO L. DICHOSO
Sheriff IV

CC: **SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM**
SSS Building, East Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City; and

SSS BLDG., MACABULOS DRIVE
San Vicente, Tarlac City

SPS. ROLANDO C. KOH & OLIVA F. KOH
Lot 32, Blk. 4, San Jose Village, Sto. Domingo,
San Fernando,, Pampanga

Punto! Central Luzon: **April 5, 12 & 19, 2021**



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 42
CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA

IN RE: PETITION FOR CANCELLATION OF THE
CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF FRANCIS DANTES QUIAMBAO
WITH LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRY NO.93-867,
FRANCIS DANTES QUIAMBAO,
Petitioner,

-versus-
SP. PROC. CASE NO. 6136

OFFICE OF THE CIVIL REGISTRAR OF MEXICO,
PAMPANGA, PHILIPPINE STATISTIC AUTHORITY,
FENANDO QUIAMBOA, FLODELIZA DANTES, FAYE
DANTES QUIAMBOA AND ALL PERSONS/ENTITIES
WHO/WHICH MAY BE INTERESTED/AFFECTED
THEREBY,

Respondents.
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ORDER

This PETITION is for the cancellation of the CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF FRANCIS DANTES QUIAMBAO, registered in the Local Civil Registrar of Mexico, Pampanga, which was Raffled to this Court on March 1, 2021.

Attached to the PETITION are the following: 1) Photocopy of the CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF FRANCIS DANTES QUIAMBOA registered with the Local Civil Registrar of Mexico, Pampanga under Local Civil Registry No. 93-867, issued by Lisa Grace S. Bersales, Ph.D., National Statistician and Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority (Annes "A"); 2) Photocopy of the CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF FRANCIS DANTES QUIAMBAO registered with the Local Civil Registrar of Apalit, Pampanga under Registry No. 99-982 issued by Carmelita N. ERICTA, Administrator and Civil Registrar General, National Statistics Office (Annexes "B" to "B-1"); 3) Photocopy of the CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF FAYE DANTES QUIAMBAO, registered with the Local Civil Registrar of Calumpit, Bulacan under Registry No. 86-203 issued by Claire Dennis S. Mapa, Ph.D., National Statistician and Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority (Annex "C"); 4) Photocopy of the CERTIFICATE OF BAPTISM of Francis Quiambao, issued by Rev. Fr. Norman G. Vitug, Parish Priest, Holy Family Parish, Colgante, Apalit, Pampanga (Annex "D"); 5) Photocopy of the SECONDARY STUDENT'S PERMANENT RECORD of Quiambao, Francis, D. issued by Mrs Lolita B. Evangelista of Pampapanga Central High School, San Agustin, San Simon, Pampanga (Annex "E"); 6) Photocopy of the PHILIPPINE PASSPORT under Passport No. P3368639B of Quiambao, Francis y Dantes (Annex "F"); 7) Photocopy of NON- PROFESSIONAL DRIVER'S LICENSE ID of Quiambao Francis y Dantes with License No. C10-15-007965 issued by the Land Transportation Office (Annex "G"); 8) Photocopy of the PROFESSIONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD of Quiambao Francis Dantes issued by the Professional Regulations Commission, Manila (Annex "H"); 9) Photocopy of the POSTAL IDENTITY CARD under No. 4089581, of Quiambao, Francis Dantes (Annex "I"); 10) Photocopy of the COMMISSION ON ELECTION IDENTIFICATION CARD of Quiambao, Francis Dantes under VIN: 5402-0104B-H0187FDQ10000 issued by the Office of the Commission on Elections, Apalit, Pampanga (Annex "J"); 11) Photocopy of the NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION CLEARANCE of Quiambao Francis Dantes issued by Eric B. Distor, NBI Director-OIC (Annex "K"); 12) CERTIFICATE of Quiambao Francis Dantes issued by PMaj. Emelito M. Dela Cruz, Officer-in-Charge, Apalit Municipal Police Station, Apalit Pampanga (Annex "L"); 12) Photocopy of the CERTIFICATE dated September 24, 2020, issued by Claire Dennis S. Mapa, Ph.D., National Statiscian and Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority (Annex "M"); 13) Photocopy of CERTIFICATION dated July 2, 2020 issued by Loreta O. Lopez, Municipal Civil Registrar of Apalit, Pampanga (Annex "M"); 14) Original copy of the JUDICIAL AFFIDAVIT of FRANCIS DANTES QUIAMBAO with attachments (Annex "O").

The PETITION is sufficient in form and substance and therefore, the Court hereby:

(a)Sets the case for hearing on **May 24, 2021 at 2:00 in the afternoon**

(b)order Petition (1) to serve within Twenty Four (24) hours from receipt of this Order copies of the PETITION and its Annexes to the **Office of the Solicitor General of the Philippines** at 134 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Village, Makati City, the **Office of the Civil Registrar General and Philippines Statistics Authority (PSA)**, Quezon City, the **Office of the Provincial Prosecutor**, City of San Fernando, Pampanga; the **Local Civil Registrar**, of Mexico, Pampanga; (2) to show proof to this Court;

(c)orders all persons interested in the PETITION: (1) to appear on the said date and time before the Court-Regional Trial Court, Branch 42, City of San Fernando, Pampanga; (2) to show cause, if any, why the PETITION should not be granted.

(d) Orders the Solicitor General to enter his appearance in this case for the State with-in Twenty Four (24) hours from receipt of this Order.

(e)Orders the OIC-Branch Clerk of Court to furnish copies of this Order to the Petitioner, her counsel, her counsel, the Solicitor General, Office of the Civil Registrar General, and Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), the Provincial Prosecutor of Pampanga, and the Local Civil Registrar of Mexico, Pampanga.

(f)In addition, pursuant to OCA Circular No. (108-2010, "Guidelines for the Temporary Replacements of Clerks of Court in the Handling of Case/s from which they are Disqualified under Section 1, Rule 137 of the Rules of Court, as amended", in relation to A. M. No. 08-4-1-SC), the counsel for the Petitioner, is hereby ordered to file on or before the presentation of jurisdictional facts a written manifestation under oath, in which it is declared whether or not he or his clients are related to the OIC-Branch Clerk of Court of this Branch, stating therein the begree of relationship by affinity or consanguinity,

Due to extraordinary circumstances prevailing, with instances of COVID-19 cases on the rise instead of declining, the Court orders the parties to avail of videoconferencing. They are ordered to comply with the OCA CIRCULAR NO. 18-2021 and A.M. No 20-12-01-SC, and to avail of an OUTLOOK TEAMS account.

The Judge strictly prohibits the use of virtual background during the videoconference hearing.

Further, let the Petitioner, at his expense, publish this ORDER for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Pampanga.

SO ORDERED

City of San Fernando, Pampanga, March 8, 2021.

MARIA AMIFAITH S. FIDER-REYES
Judge

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Punto! Central Luzon: **April 5, 12 & 19, 2021**

Mayor EdSa...

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sitwasyon natin ngay-on kaya napakahalaga na tayo mismo ay may napagkukuhanan ng masustansyang pagka-in sa ating mga bakuran. Kaya naman hinihikayat po natin yung mga kababayan nating i-engage nila ang kanilang sarili sa pagtatanim dahil hindi lamang suplay ng pagka-in ang makukuha natin dito. Maging pangkabuhayan ay makakakuha tayo sa pagtatanim,”

Santiago said Monday at the launch of the “Tanim Mo, Pangkabuhayan Mo” program in Barangay Alasas.

With the city agriculture and veterinary office and city social welfare and development office as chief implementors, the program was initiated with the distribution of cassava plants to the beneficiaries of the Sustainable Livelihood Program (SLP) in the barangay composed of members

of the local Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program, out-of-school youths, solo parents, and other common folk.

City agriculturist Cristina Sangumay said the program aims to assist and uplift the lives of SLP beneficiaries by helping them start their own cassava business.

“Nag-award tayo ng mga cassava na na-harvest natin dito sa mga bakanteng lote dahil gusto nating ipakita

na ang cassava ay hindi masyadong nanganailangan ng marami at komplikadong cultural management. Basta’t naitanim natin ‘yan at nabigyan ng kaukulang pansin ay lalago at magsu-survive ito at napakagandang panimula po nito para sa kabuhayan ng ating mga benepisyaryo,” explained Sangumay.

Patricia Palosa, a 19-year-old beneficiary of the program, expressed gratitude to

the local government for providing them livelihood programs.

“Nagpapasalamat po ako sa local government at kay Mayor EdSa dahil may ganitong programa po sila upang makatulong sa amin lalo na ngayong pandemiya. Sa mulang edad ko po ay natutunan ko na po kung paano po ang pagtatanim at paggawa ng cassava,” Palosa said.

CSWD officer Aileen Villanueva reminded the beneficiaries to “keep up their good work and rest assured that the local government will remain steadfast in supporting and providing assistance to them.”

“Kailangan po nating magsipag sa panahon ng pandemya. Ang local government po ay nakatutok po para makabuo tayo ng mga resilient and sustainable livelihood groups,” Villanueva said.

--BZL with CSFP-CIO

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **BENEDICTA N. ZAPATA**, resident at 61-04 Sunflower St. Timog Park, Angeles City Pampanga, who died on June 08, 2015. executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his estate, more particularly described as a parcel of Land (Lot 4, B-61 of the subd. Plan, (LRC) PSD-66539, (sheet 2)., being portion of Lot 702-B. Described on plan (LRC) Psd-48796, LRC (GLRC) Cad. Rec. No. 124). Situated in the Barrio of Pampang, City of Angeles, and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 104968, before Notary Public John Manuel B. Bautista as per Doc No. 105, Page No. 22, Book No.XI Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 12, 19 & 26, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **CLAUDIO PANGAN JR.**, who died on January 6, 2021. At Angeles Medical Center, executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Donation on his estate, more particularly described as a parcel of Land (Lot 98-B-I-R of the subdivision plan (LRA) PSD-392077, approved as a Non-Subd. Project, being a portion of Lot 98-B-1 PSD-1156 LRC Cad. Rec. No. 124). Situated in the Barrio of Bical, Mun. Of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga, and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 045-2018011406, before Notary Public Frod G. Tuazon as per Doc No. 102, Page No. 27, Book No.VII Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 12, 19 & 26, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **GUILLERMO S. LIGUTAN** who died on August 28, 2007 in Angeles City, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Deed of Sale, more particularly described as a parcel of Land (Lot 8, Block 85 of the subdivision plan, Psd-035401-050828, being a portion of Lot 122-E-1-A-2, psd-035401-049894, LRC Rec. No.) situated in the barrio of Pulung Maragul, Angeles City and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 189499, before Notary Public Almario D. Marimla as per Doc No. 1745, Page No. 80, Book No.LXXVIII Series of 2020.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 12, 19 & 26, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **LUISA P. LOPEZ** who died on July 11, 2009 and **JESSY T. LOPEZ** who died on April 06, 2016 At Angeles City, executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement of his/her estate, more particularly described as a parcel of Land (Lot 11, Block 12 of the subdivision plan Psd-46477, being a portion of Lot 779-C described on plan Psd-32788, L.R.C Cad. Rec. No. 124). Situated in the Municipality of Angeles, Province of Pampanga, and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 62982, before Notary Public Archie Paul C. Muyrong as per Doc No. 103, Page No. 22, Book No.XIII Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 12, 19 & 26, 2021

NOTICE OF SOLE-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **CRISANTA MANARANG SANTIAGO**, sole heir of **MANUEL C. MANARANG & AURELIA R. MANALANG** who died on May 27, 1988 & December 18, 2012 executed an Affidavit of Sole-Adjudication of his her estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 6 Block 7 of the subdivision plan Psd-62173, being a portion of Lot 64-A-6, situated in the Barrio of Pulung Bulu, City of Angeles,Province Pampanga and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 35103 in the Registry of Deeds of Angeles City, before Notary Public Atty. Arnel D. Berato as per Doc No. 141, Page No. 94, Book No. IV, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon:March 22, April 5 & 12, 2021

PAGKAKALOOB NA NAGKAKABISA SA PAGYAO

HAYAG SA SINOMANG MAKAKABASA

AKO, **GLORIA SIOCO**, dalaga may sapat na gulang, Pilipino at naninirahan sa Apalit, Pampanga, dito ay kilala bilang NAGKAKALOOB, at KAMI, LIZA S. LACANILAO, may sapat na gulang, kasal kay Renato M. Villanueva, at Lalaine S. Lacanilao, dalaga, may sapat din na gulang, at naninirahan sa #228 Capalangan, Apalit, Pampanga, dito ay kilala bilang PINAGKAKALOOBAN ang siyang may-ari at nakikinabang sa isang parselang lupa, na lalong makikilala sa ganitong paglalarawan: TCT NO. 165181-R, A parcel of land (Lot 2933-A of the subd. Plan Psd-03-003306 being a portion of Lot 2933 of Apalit Cad., LRC Rec. No. 351), situated in the Mun. OfApalit, Prov. Of Pampanga, Notary Public Teodulo E. Cruz as per Doc No. 143, Page No. 30, Book No. 108, Series of 2007.

Punto! Central Luzon:March 22, April 5 & 12, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **JESUSA TOLENTINO MAMANGUN** who died intestate on February 19, 2021 in Green City Medical Center Jose Abad Santos Ave., Dolores, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, Philippines; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on her estate, more particularly described as Bank of the Philippines Islands, 0051- San Fernando Consunji Branch with Account No. 000513-6023-75, before Notary Public Archie Paul C. Muyrong as per Doc No. 425, Page No. 86, Book No. XII, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 5, 12 & 19, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SOLEDAD MANALANSAN** and **HERACLEO ENRIQUEZ VENSON**, who died on April 12, 1995 and november 22, 1992 in Angeles City Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate, more particularly described as follows:

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 73678

A parcel of land (Lot No. 5, plan Psu-48741), situated in the Barrio of San Jose-Hapunana, Municipality of Lubao, Bounded on the NE, SE and NW. By property of Clodul de Vitug; and on the SW., by Barrio Beginning at a point marked “1” on plan being N. 84 deg. 24’ W., 2509.35 from B.L.B.L No. 1, Sta. Monica;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 141153-R

A parcel of lands (Lot 6-C of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-259255, being a portion of Lot 6, Psu-48741, LRC Rec. No. 28451), situated in the Bo. Of San Jose-Hapunana, Mun. Of Lubao, Prov. of Pampanga;

That all improvements erected at the parcel of land covered by TCT No. 141153-R is registered under the name of **GLORIA CUENCA**, widow, resident of San Matias Lubao, Pampanga.

before Notary Public Crisanto A. Cocal, CPA as per Doc No. 2638, Page No. 39, Book No. 180 Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 12, 19 & 26, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of ENGR. CIRILO CUEVAS CALIBJO, who died on January 30, 2020 in Angeles City executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his estate, more particularly described as follows:

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 045-2018013852

A parcel of land (Lot 14 Block 207 of the subdivision plan Pcs-03-009243, being a portion of Lot of Block 17, Psd-03-084472, Lot 1-G, Psd-03-092530, Lot 74-D-3, Psd-03-091246 L.R.C Rec. No.) situated in the Barrio of capaya, City of Angeles,Province Pampanga;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 045-2018013853

A parcel of land (Lot 13 Block 207 of the subdivision plan Pcs-03-009243, being a portion of Lot of Block 17, Psd-03-084472, Lot 1-G, Psd-03-092530, Lot 74-D-3, Psd-03-091246 L.R.C Rec. No.) situated in the Barrio of capaya, City of Angeles,Province Pampanga;

before Notary Public Reydon P. Canlas as per Doc No. 468, Page No. 90, Book No. 79 Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 5, 12 & 19, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ALFONSO PONIO**, who died on May 10, 1988 at Porac, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Deed of Absolute Sale on his estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 1-A of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-212425, being a portion of Lot 1, Blk. 1 of the consolidation-subd., plan (LRC) Pcs-15472, LRC Cad. Rec. No. 372) situated in the Bo. of Manibaug, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 117603-R, before Notary Public Frod g. Tuazon as per Doc No. 847, Page No. 06, Book No.VI Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 5, 12 & 19, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ALFONSO PONIO**, who died on May 10, 1988 at Porac, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Deed of Absolute Sale on his estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 1-A of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-212425, being a portion of Lot 1, Blk. 1 of the consolidation-subd., plan (LRC) Pcs-15472, LRC Cad. Rec. No. 372) situated in the Bo. of Manibaug, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 117603-R, before Notary Public Frod g. Tuazon as per Doc No. 848, Page No. 06, Book No.VI Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 5, 12 & 19, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ANA LEAH L. PRONTO**, who died on July 14, 2019 in JBLMGH, Dolores, CSFP. executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his estate, more particularly described as a property located in Sta. Lucia Resettlement Project in Magalang, Pampanga and awarded by the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council-Pinatubo Project Management Office (HUDCC-PPMO), now National Housing Authority (NHA) covered by TCT No. 470901-R, before Notary Public John Manuel B. Bautista as per Doc No. 1, Page No. 1, Book No. XXXI Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 5, 12 & 19, 2021



NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late **JOSEN.BARCARSE,SR** and **JOSEFA ROGACION CRUZ BARCARSE** has been extrajudicially settled by their heirs as evinced by: Doc.No.38;Page 8;Book No.VI; series of 2021 of the Not.Reg.of Atty.Hospicio I.Laygo,Jr.,Notary Public for City of Balanga,Municipalities of Bagac, Morong, Orani,Samal,Abucay,Pilar and Orion,all in the Province of Bataan and by: Doc.No.363, Page No.74,Book No.2,series of 2021of the Not.Reg.of Atty.Anna Marie L.Santos,Notary Public for Angono,Binangonan and Cardona ,all in the Province of Rizal..

Punto! Central Luzon: April 12, 19 & 26, 2021

NOTICE OF LOSS

Notice is hereby given that **FERNANDO DELOS REYES LAZATIN**, married, Filipino, resident of Blk. 10 Lot 41 St. Jude Village City of San Fernando, Pamngaand acting Record Officer of Land Transportation Office (LTO), Angeles City District Office, executed an Affidavit of Loss on the Certificate Registration and Official Receipt with the following details:

Registered Owner	: Mario Nuqui
Make and Type	: Honda / MC
Plate No.	: CB-9684
Engine No.	: CC125E-1195332
Chasis No.	: CG135-1110380-PH240
File No.	: 0304-14439

before Notary Public Frod G. Tuazon as per Doc No. 083, Page No. 07, Book No.VII Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 12, 19 & 26, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPS. HERMINIO L. DE GUZMAN** and **ZE-NAIDA B. DE GUZMAN**, who died intestate on March 30, 1983 and January 16, 2021 in Angeles City executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate, more particularly described as follows:

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 137468-R
(Registered in the name of Herminio L. De Guzman, Married to Zenaida B. De Guzman)

A parcel of land (Lot 9, Block 5 of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-59305, sheet 1, being a portion of Lot 2, (LRC) Psd-57235, LRC Rec. No. 8714, situated in the Barrio of Telabastagan, Municipality of San Fernando, Province Pampanga Island of Luzon;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 532143-R
(covered by a Deed of Absolute Sale between Sta. Lucia Realty and Development, Inc. (Seller) and Zenaida B. De Guzman, widow (Buyer); property still registered in the name of Sta. Lucia Realty and Development, Inc.)

A parcel of land (Lot 18 Block 40 of consolidation - subdivision plan Pcs-03-10607, being a portion of consolidation lots of 2026-A, 2026-C, 2026-B, Psd-035413-055077, 2026-B-I, Psd-03-609738, 2028-L, Psd-03-083639, 2029-C, Psd-035413-057633, 2029-A-1, Psd-035413-062321, Lot 2021-B-1, Psd-035413-062045, 2029-B-2-A, and 2029-B-2-B, Psd-03-070690, 2029-B-2-C-2 Psd-032029-B, Psd-03-078762, 2072-A and 2072-B, Psd-03-083691, and 2073-A and 2073-B Psd-03083690, lots 1, 8 and 13, Bcs-03-000052 (OLT) Lot 5, Bsd-03000938 (OLT) and Lot 2030 Cad. 72, Mexico Cadastre, L.R.C. Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of Sabanilla and Masamat, Municipality of Mexico,Province Pampanga;

before Notary Public Victor B. Roque as per Doc No. 448, Page No. 91, Book No. 23 Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 5, 12 & 19, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ELAIN MANIAGO LAXAMANA** who died intestate on November 17, 2020 in Angeles City, executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on her estate, more particularly described as follows:

Name of Bank	: METRO BANK
Account Name	: ELAIN MANIAGO LAXAMANA
Saving Account No.	: 425-3-42521948-1
Branch	: Angeles Sto. Rosario branch

Name of Bank	: BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES ISLAND
Account Name	: ELAIN MANIAGO LAXAMANA
Saving Account No.	: 009683-131234
Branch	: Angeles Kuliat branch

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 045-2017007133
Registry of Deeds for Angeles City

A parcel of land (Lot 7, Blk. 31 of the subdivision plan Psd-03-191646, being a portion of Lot 787-A-5 Psd-03-167023 (L.R.C.) Rec No.) Situated in the Barangay of Sto., Domingo, Municipality of Angeles, Province of Pampanga, Island of Luzon;

before Notary Public Crisanto A. Cocal, CPA as per Doc No. 1722, Page No. 66, Book No. 178, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 5, 12 & 19, 2021

Emperador sustains market dominance in various countries

Brandy sales growth in North America and UK further expands; scotch whisky business continues growth momentum across Europe, Asia, and Africa

EMPERADOR INC., the world's largest brandy company, is continuously expanding its dominance in various markets around the world as demand for brandy and scotch whisky continues to grow exponentially. Emperador's brandy business recorded remarkable growth in various countries last year, contributing significantly to the company's international business segment. The brandy business grew 376% in the United Kingdom, 44% in Mexico, 74% in Canada, and 24% in the United States – all considered to be significant markets in Emperador's international business. In Africa, **Tres Cepas** Brandy, which is under Emperador's subsidiary in Spain, has expanded their market shares in Guinea and Cameroon. **Whyte and Mackay** UK, one of the world's largest scotch whisky producers established in 1844, and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Emperador, has climbed up to be the second largest selling blended scotch brand in the entire United Kingdom.

Its single malt brand, **Jura**, is currently the No.1 single malt in the UK in terms of sales volume in groceries and supermarkets across the country. It is also currently the fastest growing single malt brand in Sweden and The Netherlands. In China alone, Whyte and Mackay's whisky business also grew by around 200% with sales volume through e-commerce expanding by 227% last year. "We remain optimistic that we can sustain the momentum of our international business this year as we expect continuing increase in the production and distribution volume of our brandy and whisky products all across Asia, North America, Latin America, Europe, and Africa this year. Emperador is the only Filipino consumer brand company today that is not only present across the different continents of the world, but also dominates most of the brandy and whisky markets in several countries where the products are sold," says Glenn Manlapaz, chief executive officer, Emperador International.



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