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MUNICIPALITY OF DEL CARMEN



Office of the Sangguniang Bayan

Introduced by: **HON. JUDITO C. DONOSO** – Chairman on Natural Resources & Biodiversity Management, Environmental Protection, Solid Waste Mngt. & Climate Change, Food Security, Agriculture, Fishery & Aquatic Resources

Municipal Ordinance No. 052
Series of 2020

“AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A COASTAL CLEAN-UP AND/OR TREE PLANTING ACTIVITY DURING NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CELEBRATIONS.”

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan duly assembled during its regular session that:

Section 1. Municipal Policy. It is declared as a matter of Municipal Policy to ensure the rational and sustainable development, management and conservation of the environment, encourage awareness, protection and promotion of biodiversity issues and formulate plans and actions that signifies its value as the foundation for coastal life.

Section 2. PURPOSE – It is the purpose of crafting this Ordinance to preserve, conserve and protect the marine biodiversity, realizing the gravity of an immediate threat of extreme changes occurring in the world's temperature, the importance of mangrove ecosystems and to remind everyone of the major role the oceans have in everyday life.

Section 3. COVERAGE – This Ordinance shall apply to all persons, whether natural or juridical, whether resident or not, and in all places found within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Del Carmen.

Section 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS – As used in this Ordinance, the terms below shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section. Any words or terms not defined shall be given their plain and customary meanings, unless the context requires otherwise, shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with the purpose and spirit of this Ordinance.

- a. **World Wetland Day** – is celebrated to undertake actions aimed at raising public awareness of wetland values and benefits in general and the Ramsar site. This includes water and environment.
- b. **Earth Hour** – a worldwide movement organized by the World Wide Fund for Nature.
- c. **Earth Day** – is an annual event celebrated around the world to demonstrate support for environmental protection.
- d. **International Day for Biological Diversity** – a United Nations – sanctioned international day for the promotion of biodiversity issues.
- e. **Environment Month** – month of June was declared Philippine Environment Month by virtue of Proclamation No. 237.
- f. **World Environment Day** – is the United Nation's principal vehicle for encouraging awareness and action for the protection of the environment.
- g. **World Ocean Day** – purpose of the day is to inform the public of the impact of human actions reminding everyone of the major role the oceans have in everyday life.

- h. Celebration of the Coral Triangle – the world's epicenter of marine biodiversity, which encompasses the seas of 6 countries in the Asia-Pacific region.
- i. Arbor Day – been institutionalized to be observed every June 25 throughout the nation by planting trees and ornamental plants and other forms of relevant activities.
- j. International Day of the Mangroves – international day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem, aims to raise awareness of the importance of mangrove ecosystems as a "unique, special & vulnerable ecosystem" & to promote solutions for their sustainability. This signifies the value of Mangroves as the foundation for coastal life.
- k. National Clean-Up Month – by virtue of Proclamation No. 244, September of every year as National Clean-Up Month.
- l. World Ozone Day & International Coastal Clean-Up Weekend – September 16 was designated by the United Nations General Assembly as the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer. Awareness is spread about preserving and protecting the world's oceans and waterways.
- m. Philippine Clean Air Month and National Environmental Awareness Month – Presidential Proclamation No. 1109, series of 1997 is declared as Clean Air Month continuing air quality information and education campaign been promoted by the department. Clean air and clean surroundings are the central in the roster of activities of DENR.
- n. National Climate Change Consciousness Week – Proclamation No. 1667 signed on November 18, 2008 by then President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo. Realizing the gravity and immediate threat of extreme changes occurring in the world's temperature. RA 9279 Climate Change Act of 2009.

Section 5. TREE PLANTING AND COASTAL CLEAN-UP PROCESS:

A. Tree Planting:

- Use of Endemic Tree Species of Siargao Islands only.
- Mangrove Species must be planted in appropriate areas only of the Del Carmen Mangrove Forest.
- Fruit Trees are encouraged to be planted anywhere.
- Every Public or Private Organization is encouraged to adopt a portion of the Del Carmen Watershed or the Del Carmen Mangrove Forest for Tree Forestation in coordination with the Office of the MENRO & MPDC.

B. Coastal Clean-Up:

- Every Public or Private Organization is encouraged to participate in the scheduled Coastal Clean-Up Activities led by the Local Government of Del Carmen.
- Coastal Clean-Up covers the Del Carmen Mangrove Forest and the Municipal Waters of Del Carmen.
- Scuba Clean-Up activities are encouraged.
- All wasted found will be handled in accordance to the Solid Waste Management Plan of the Municipality of Del Carmen.

- Every Public and Private Organization is encouraged to adopt a portion of the Del Carmen Mangrove Forest to maintain cleanliness of the Mangrove Forest in coordination with the Offices of the MENRO and MPDC.

C. Lead Agency in the execution of the Coastal Clean-Up and Tree Planting:

- The Office of Municipal Environment and Natural Resources shall take the lead in Coastal Cleaning and Tree Planting Activities on behalf of the Local Government of Del Carmen.
- All public, non-government, private and civil society are required to participate in all three planting and coastal clean-up organized by the Local Government Unit of Del Carmen.
- All public or private organization that will be performing tree planting or coastal clean-up activities must coordinate with the Office of the MENRO.

Section 6. DESIGNATED SCHEDULED:

A. Annual Schedule

International/National Recognition	Annual Declaration	Proposed Annual Schedule
✓ World Wetland Day	February 2	February 2
✓ Earth Hour	March last Saturday	March last Saturday
✓ Earth Day	April 22	April 22
International Day for Biological Diversity	May 22	May 22
Environment Month	June	June 25
✓ World Environment Day	June 5	
World Ocean Day	June 8	
Celebration of the Coral Triangle	June 9	
Arbor Day	June 25	
✓ International Day of the Mangroves	July 26	July 26
National Clean-Up Month	September	September 16
World Ozone Day & International Coastal Clean-Up Weekend	September 16	
Philippine Clean Air Month and National Environmental Awareness Month	November	November 3 rd Week
National Climate Change Consciousness Week	November	

B. Other Schedules

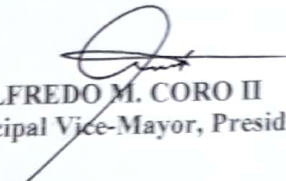
Public or Private Organizations can conduct tree planting or coastal clean-up activities any time but must adhere to basic process defined in Section 5.

C. The Office of the Mayor thru the Office of the MENRO shall regularly release a reminder of all scheduled tree planting or coastal clean-up to the public.

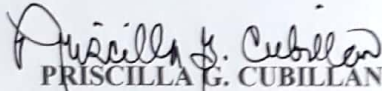
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Section 7. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE – This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the posting of its copy in at least three (3) conspicuous places in the Municipality of Del Carmen.

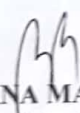
I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing statement which was duly enacted by the Sangguniang Bayan during its regular session of July 6, 2020.



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Municipal Vice-Mayor, Presiding

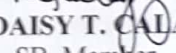
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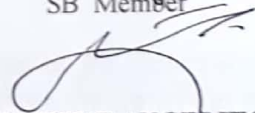
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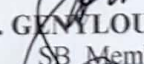

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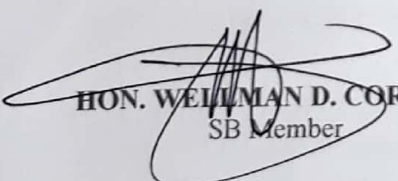

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