

Republic of the Philippines PROVINCE OF SORSOGON MUNICIPALITY OF GUBAT

## OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2018 - 09-A

## AN ORDER ESTABLISHING THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITY OFFICE (PDAO) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUBAT, SORSOGON

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10070, otherwise known as an Act Establishing an Institutional Mechanism to Ensure the Implementation of Programs and Services for Persons with Disabilities in every Province, City and Municipality, provides for the organization and establishment of Persons with Disability Affairs Office (PDAO) in every province, city and municipality;

WHEREAS, DILG Memorandum Circular 2010-013 dated 23 September 2010, provides the guidelines for the establishment of PDAO and designation of Persons with Disability Affairs Officers or Focal Persons;

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 7277, otherwise known as the Magna Carta for Diabled Persons direct national and local government agencies to implement programs and services to ensure full participation of Persons with Disabilities (PWD);

WHEREAS, in order to sustain and continuously carry out the task of implementing the provisions of RA 7277, monitoring, evaluation, data gathering and creation of job opportunities and advocacy for PWDs in the municipality, there is a need to establish a Person with Disability Affairs Office (PDAO) to serve as an arm of the Local Government Unit (LGU) in the implementation if the aforesaid purposes;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, SHARON ROSE GLIPO-ESCOTO**, Municipal Mayor of Gubat, Sorsogon, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and Laws do hereby order the following:

**SECTION 1. CREATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AFFAIRS OFFICE (PDAO).** The Persons with Disabilities Affairs Office is hereby created under the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO). The office of the PDAO shall be located at the office of the MSWDO or at such other place as may be determined by the Municipal Mayor.

## **SECTION 2. FUNCTIONS.** The PDAO shall:

 Formulate and implement policies, plans and programs for the promotion of the welfare of the Person with Disabilities (PWDs) in coordination with concerned national and local government agencies;

- Coordinate the implementation of the provisions of RA 10070, Batas Pambansa Blg 344, otherwise known as the Accessibility Law and other relevant laws at the local level;
- Represent PWDs in meetings of the Municipal Development Council and other special bodies;
- Recommend and enjoin the participation of Civil Society organizations in the implementation of all disability-related laws and policies;
- 5. Gather and compile relevant data on PWDs in the municipality;
- Disseminate information including but not limited to programs and activities for PWDs, statistics on PWDs, including children with disability and training and employment opportunities for PWDs;
- Submit reports to the office of the Local Chief Executive (LCE) on the implementation of program and services for the promotion of the welfare of the PWDs in the municipality;
- 8. Ensure that policies, plans and programs for the promotion of the welfare of PWDs are funded by both national and local government;
- 9. Monitor fund-raising activities being conducted for the benefits of PWDs;
- 10. Seek donations in cash or in kind from local or foreign donors to implement an approved work plan for PWDs, in accordance with existing laws and regulations; and
- 11. Perform such other functions as may be necessary for the promotion and protection of the welfare of the PWDs.

**SECTION 3. PDAO FUNDING.** Pursuant to Section 4 to RA 10070, the LGU shall ensure that the necessary fund from any available local revenues is allocated under the MSWDO for the implementation of PDAO activities for the benefit of PWDs in the municipality.

**SECTION 4. SUPERVISION OVER PDAO OR FOCAL PERSON.** The PDAO or Focal Person shall be lodged under the MSWDO. As such, the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer shall exercise supervision over the PDAO operations and activities.

**SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All prior issuances and orders inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2018 in the Municipality of Gubat, Sorsogon.

SHARON ROSE GLIPO-ESCOTO

Municipal Mayor