



**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 5**  
*Series of 2023*

**AN ORDER PROHIBITING THE SALE OF VOLATILE  
SUBSTANCES/SOLVENTS TO IN ALL ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE  
MUNICIPALITY OF GUBAT**

**WHEREAS**, as embodied in Section 13, Article II of the 1987 Constitution, the state shall promote and protect the physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social being of every Filipino Child;

**WHEREAS**, the LGU are mandated to exert efforts to protect the constituents from all threats to life, security and ensure drug-free communities;

**WHEREAS**, medical studies/researches show that volatile substances/solvents can cause addiction and can have adverse effects on the health, physical and intellectual function of a person especially to minors.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I RONNEL U LIM**, Municipal Mayor of Gubat, Sorsogon by virtue of the powers vested in me by law do hereby order the prohibition of sale of volatile substance/solvents to minors in all business establishments.

**Section 1. Scope.** This order shall apply within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Gubat, Province of Sorsogon

**Section 2. Definition of Terms.**

**Minor** - shall be any person who is below eighteen (18) years of age.

**Solvent** - shall mean to have based-contact cement like rugby, vulca seal, elasto seal, thinner, and other similar materials that can cause addiction.

**Establishment** - any hardware store, sari-sari store or any establishment engaged in selling goods and products that include "solvents"

**Section 3. Regulatory Acts.**

1. Owners of the commercial or business establishment shall be prohibited to sell volatile substances/solvents such as "rugby, thinner" etc. to minors.
2. Minors are prohibited to use rugby for addictive purposes.

**Section 4. Enforcement.** The personnel of the Philippine National Police, Business Permit and Licensing Office, Punong Barangays, SK Officials and Barangay Tanods are hereby directed to ensure the widest dissemination and strict implementation of this order.

**Section 5. Separability Clause.** If any provision of this Order is found to be inconsistent with any law, other provisions or part/s thereof not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 6. Automatic Succession of Members.** In case of resignation, retirement, separation, transfer, reassignment, removal of a member, the successor or replacement shall automatically take the position and serve only for the unexpired term. Provided that in case of leave or suspension, the replacement shall serve only for the duration of the leave or suspension.

**Section 7. Repealing Clause.** All orders, ordinances, rules and regulations or parts thereof, in conflict with or contrary to the Provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**Section 8. Effectivity.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 31st of January, 2023 at Gubat, Sorsogon, Philippines.

  
**RONNEL U. LIM**  
Municipal Mayor