



Office of the Mayor



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13

Series of 2020

"AN ORDER DECLARING TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF CLASSES IN ALL LEVELS IN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PALO, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, PHILIPPINES ON MARCH 13-20, 2020"

WHEREAS, every local government unit is mandated to promote the health and safety of their inhabitants;

WHEREAS, a clustering of pneumonia cases of unknown etiology was reported in Wuhan City, Hubei Province of China. It was later preliminary identified as a novel type of coronavirus.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Health has confirmed the local transmission of Corona Virus Disease (Covid-19) in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the Office of the President thru Proclamation No. 922 dated March 8, 2020 declared a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to Covid-19, enjoining all local government units to undertake critical, urgent, and appropriate response and measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate the Covid-19 threat;

WHEREAS, with the declaration of the World Health Organization of a World Health Emergency and in response to the growing concern over the outbreak of coronavirus, the Local Government Unit of Palo, Leyte aims to effectively take the necessary precautions, prevent and immediately take action in the event of entry of potential cases in its jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) has already raised its alert system to Code Red which is a preemptive call to ensure that national and local governments and public and private health care providers can prepare for possible increase in suspected and confirmed cases;

NOW THEREFORE, I, FRANCES ANN B. PETILLA, Municipal Mayor, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, in the interest of public health and safety, do hereby order the following:

Section 1: Classes in all levels in the public and private schools in the Municipality of Palo is suspended on March 13-20, 2020. Provided, that all students shall continue to fulfill their educational requirements.

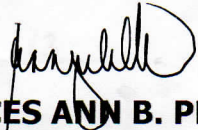
Section 2: All School Officials are advised to adopt measures in their respective schools for the prevention of the disease. You are to coordinate with the Municipal Health Office for any assistance for this purpose.

Section 3: Further, school heads and administrators are advised to adopt alternative modes of learning while classes are temporarily suspended in order not to compromise the students' educational needs. Students are likewise advised to devote their time to productive activities, stay at home and avoid huge number of crowd.

Section 4: In the meantime that classes are suspended, educational institutions are highly encouraged to take all preventive and precautionary measures, sanitation and disinfection procedures of the school premises, and to come up with guidelines to address the prevention, monitoring and containment of the disease.

Section 5: This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the Municipality of Palo, Leyte, this 12th day of March in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty.


FRANCES ANN B. PETILLA
Municipal Mayor

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MAYOR DECLARING TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF SCHOOLS IN ALL LEVELS IN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PALO, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, PHILIPPINES ON MARCH 13-20, 2020

WHEREAS, every local government unit is mandated to promote the health and safety of their constituents;

WHEREAS, a clustering of pneumonia cases of unknown etiology was reported in Wuhan City, Hubei province of China. It was later preliminarily identified as a novel type of coronavirus;

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Health has confirmed the local transmission of Corona virus Disease (COVID-19) in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the Office of the President, thru Proclamation No. 932 issued March 11, 2020 declared a state of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19, and urged all local government units to undertake critical, urgent, and appropriate response and measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate the COVID-19 threat;

WHEREAS, and, the declaration of the World Health Organization of a World Health Emergency and in response to the growing concern over the outbreak of coronavirus, the Local Government Unit of Palo, Leyte aims to effectively take the necessary precautions, prevent and curtail any transmission in the event of entry of potential cases in its jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) thru, already, raised its alert system to Code Red which is a preemptive call to ensure that national and local governments and public and private health care providers can prepare for possible increase in suspected and confirmed cases;

NOW THEREFORE, I, FRANCES ANN B. PETILLA, Municipal Mayor, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, in the interest of public health and safety, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. Schools in all levels in the public and private schools in the Municipality of Palo shall be closed from March 13-20, 2020. Provided, that all students shall continue to fulfil their