



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16
Series of 2021

"AN ORDER IMPOSING LIQUOR BAN & LIMITING THE OPERATION OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE BEACH AREAS FROM APRIL 1-4, 2021"

WHEREAS, holy week is an opportune time for family gatherings and celebrations.

WHEREAS, there is still a high number of cases of covid-19 from local transmission and newly arrived travellers recorded each day as confirmed by the Department of Health not only in Palo, Leyte but also throughout the province and in the entire country.

WHEREAS, records and data show that gatherings are super spreaders of the covid-19 virus, not to mention that the IATF-EID have relaxed the rules on travellers and community quarantine.

WHEREAS, it has been observed as a matter of tradition that beaches and resorts are flocked by visitors during holy week specially during Easter Sunday.

WHEREAS, in order to prevent the transmission of the virus and to prevent large number of crowd from gathering, there is a necessity to impose certain measures during the Holy Week.

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:

Section 1: Liquor Ban - The **consumption, sale, purchase and transportation** of intoxicating liquor into the Municipality is hereby declared prohibited and unlawful from April 1, 2021 at 12:01am to April 4, 2021 at 11:59pm. Business and retail establishments found in violation of this provision shall be meted the penalty of revocation of its business permit and closure of the business establishment, without prejudice to further prosecution under existing penal laws.

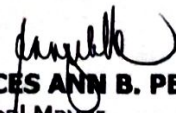
Section 2: Limited Operation of Beach Resorts - Subject to 30% percent of the seating or venue capacity, all beach resorts, both public and private, shall operate until five o'clock in the afternoon only.

Section 3: Minimum Public Health Standards - Proprietors of beach resorts must ensure compliance by its guests of all basic and minimum public health standards such as physical distancing of at least one (1) meter and wearing of face mask. The management shall secure the provision of alcohol within its premises.

Section 4: Implementation - The Philippine National Police, PATU and BPLO shall monitor and ensure the compliance with the minimum public health standards by all concerned. Further, the BPLO department is directed to cause the immediate dissemination of this Executive Order to all concerned business establishment.

Section 5: Effectivity - This Executive Order shall be effective from April 1 to April 4, 2021.

DONE in the Municipality of Palo, Leyte, this **31st day of March** in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty One.


FRANCES ANN B. PETILLA
Municipal Mayor