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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 5 Series of 2021

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER EXTENDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MODIFIED GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (MGCQ) IN THE PROVINCE OF BULACAN FROM 01 UNTIL 31 MARCH 2021

WHEREAS, on 08 March 2020, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued *Proclamation No. 922* declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines and enjoined all local government units (LGUs) to render full assistance and cooperation to implement urgent and critical measures to contain or prevent the spread of Covid-19, mitigate its effects and impact to the community, and prevent serious disruption of the functioning of the government and the community;

WHEREAS, on 16 March 2020, President Duterte issued *Proclamation No. 929* declaring a State of Calamity throughout the Philippines and placed the entire Island of Luzon under Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ);

WHEREAS, the undersigned issued *Executive Order No. 36, series of 2020*, on October 30, 2020, extending the Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) in the Province of Bulacan from 01 until 30 November 2020;

WHEREAS, the Province of Bulacan has been placed under different quarantine classifications and, on 27 February 2021, the Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging and Infectious Diseases (IATF) extended the Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) over the province from 01 until 31 March 2021;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 465, Par. (b) of the Local Government Code, the Provincial Governor, as the chief executive of the provincial government, is authorized to adopt such emergency measures as may be necessary during and in the aftermath of man-made and natural disasters and calamities, issue such executive orders for the faithful and appropriate enforcement and execution of laws and ordinances, and ensure that the acts of all LGUs in the province and their officials are within the scope of their prescribed powers, duties, and functions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DANIEL R. FERNANDO, Provincial Governor of Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that:

Section 1. EFFECTIVITY OF MGCQ. -- The effectivity of *Executive Order No. 36, Series of 2020*, issued on 31 October 2020 which implemented the MGCQ in the entire province shall be extended until midnight of 31 March 2021, unless sooner modified or terminated by subsequent executive orders or issuances by competent authority.

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Section 2. MINIMUM PUBLIC HEALTH STANDARDS. -- The strict observance of the minimum public health standards, which include physical distancing, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, and wearing of face masks and face shields among others, shall be mandatory and indispensable and must be complied with at all times for the duration of the quarantine and in all of the permitted activities, industries, or venues mentioned in *Executive Order No. 36, series of 2020*.

Section 3. IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTAINMENT STRATEGIES. -- City and municipal LGUs shall continue to implement containment strategies and targeted lockdowns of areas where confirmed COVID-19 infections and transmissions are high, subject to the concurrence of the Regional IATF.

Section 4. UNIFORM TRAVEL PROTOCOLS. -- The standardized travel protocols for land, sea, and air as provided under *Resolution No. 101, series of 2021* dated 26 February 2021 issued by the IATF must be adopted in all city and municipal LGUs of the Province.

Section 5. INCORPORATION CLAUSE. -- All laws, rules, and regulations that have been issued and/or will be issued by the authorized officials and agencies of the national government in relation to COVID-19 and the Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) are hereby incorporated and shall form integral parts hereof.

Section 6. EFFECTIVITY. -- This *Executive Order* shall take effect at 12:00 a.m. of 01 March 2021 and shall remain valid and in effect in the entire Province of Bulacan until 11:59 p.m. of 31 March 2021, unless otherwise amended, modified, or repealed by subsequent *Executive Order*, or laws, or issuances by duly constituted authorities.

Issued this 28th day of February, 2021 at the Provincial Capitol Building, City of Malolos, Bulacan.


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