## EXECUTIVE ORDER 2012-021

## CREATING THE BREASTFEEDING TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (BTWG) FOR THE EFFECTIVE ESTABLISHMENT OF BREASTFEEDING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN NAGA CITY FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF EMPLOYEES AND LACTATING MOTHERS:

WHEREAS, the City Government of Naga passed Ordinance No. 2011-032, otherwise known as "An Ordinance Requiring all Government Offices and Private Establishments and Institutions within the City of Naga to Establish Breastfeeding Corner/Room in their Office/Establishments/Institutions and Providing the Mechanism for Enforcement, and Prescribing Penalties for Violation thereof;"

**WHEREAS**, it is the policy of the State, in recognition of the role of women in nation building, to protect working mothers by providing safe and mother-friendly working conditions that take into account their maternal functions;

**WHEREAS**, it is the policy of the State to develop the people into healthy and responsible citizens by supporting parents in their natural and primary rights and obligations of properly raising and rearing their children;

**WHEREAS**, proper raising and rearing of children is greatly improved when mothers are able to properly and sufficiently breastfeed their children;

**WHEREAS**, the foremost purpose of breastfeeding facilities in public elementary and secondary schools in Naga City is to provide lactating mothers a suitable and private place to breastfeed their children;

**WHEREAS**, establishing the Breastfeeding Technical Working Group will provide clear benefits to the school employees, children and parents by assisting public schools in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of this program;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN G. BONGAT**, Mayor of the City of Naga, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. Composition of the Breastfeeding Technical Working Group (BTWG) - The Breastfeeding Technical Working Group shall be created and composed of the following:

Chairman:	City Mayor
Co – Chairperson:	SP Committee on Nutrition

Executive Officer: Members:	City Population and Nutrition Officer City Health Officer
	DepEd Division Superintendent
	Naga City School Board Administrator
	City Engineer
	Infant and Young Child Feeding Coordinator,
	CPNO

**Section 2. Roles and Responsibilities of the BTWG** - The BTWG shall have the following functions:

- a. Identify proper locations where breastfeeding facilities should be set up in each public elementary school in Naga City;
- b. Ensure the proper information dissemination of the importance of breastfeeding through publications, pamphlets, trainings and other IEC materials/means;
- c. Meet, upon the call of the chairman, for the development, evaluation and monitoring of the breastfeeding spaces in all public elementary schools in Naga City;
- d. Assist in resolving problems/challenges that may occur related to the implementation of the program

Section 3. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 2012 in the City of Naga, Philippines.

JOHN G. BONGAT City Mayor

Attested:

**FLORENCIO T. MONGOSO, JR., CSEE** Department Head II and City Administrator