

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2012-022

RECONSTITUTING THE TASK FORCE “PAPUTOK”

WHEREAS, various types of fireworks and firecrackers flood the market during the Holiday Seasons, particularly on Christmas and New Year’s eve;

WHEREAS, there is a need to reconstitute the task force that will ensure compliance by distributors and retailers of firecrackers and pyrotechnics with existing regulatory laws and ordinances;

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 - The Task Force Papatok is hereby reconstituted to be composed of the following:

Chairman:	Public Safety Officer
Co-Chairman :	Market Enterprise and Promotions Officer
Members:	City Director of the Naga City Police Office
	City Health Officer
	Naga City Fire Marshal
	Naga City Disaster Risk-Reduction Management Officer
	City Treasurer

Section 2. Functions - The Task Force shall:

- a. Cause the inspection of quantities and kinds of firecrackers and pyrotechnic devices sold and stocked by retailers or distributors;
- b. Strictly enforce the provisions of Republic Act No. 7183 or the law regulating the manufacture and sale of firecrackers and pyrotechnics, and ensure that all banned products as classified and declared by the Department of Health, the Department of Trade and Industry and other regulatory agencies will not be sold in the market;
- c. Closely coordinate with firecrackers and pyrotechnics distributors and/or retailers to prevent any untoward incident such as fires and explosions in their stores and most importantly, to reduce firecracker-related deaths and injuries;
- d. Ensure that only those with special business permits may sell and distribute pyrotechnic products in the city;

- e. Implement an aggressive campaign against smuggled firecrackers and pyrotechnic products by going after unscrupulous traders and distributors;
- f. Cause the confiscation and disposal of firecrackers and pyrotechnic devices being sold illegally;
- g. Cause the prosecution of violators of existing national laws, rules and regulations, and ordinances on manufacture, sale and distribution of firecrackers and pyrotechnics; and
- h. Perform other functions incidental to the proper implementation of this Executive Order.

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

Issued this 15th of day November, Two Thousand and Twelve in the City of Naga, Philippines.

JOHN G. BONGAT
City Mayor

Attested by:

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