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ORDINANCE NO. 2017 – 073
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AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF COMMERCIAL AND BACKYARD POULTRY, PIGGERY AND OTHER LIVESTOCK FARMS IN NAGA CITY, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:-

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Recent events concerning the apparently uncontrolled proliferation of house flies have raised deep concern and even protests and objections from the communities near and around poultry and piggery farms due mainly to the obnoxious odor and health endangerment posed by food contamination. Complaints against improperly managed and untreated poultry/piggery farm waste have been brought to the attention of authorities in such an alarming rate that government action thereon becomes an urgent imperative.

In view, therefore, of the fact that the Local Government of Naga City recognizes the significant contribution of the chicken and hog industry to agricultural production and economic growth, there is an urgent need to regulate the operations of poultry and hog raisers in order to prevent pollution in the environment, protect public health, and ensure the sustainability of this industry. The formulation and institution of corrective measures particularly along the line of containment and proper management and disposal of poultry and piggery manure and other farm waste are envisioned to provide the solution called for by the situation through the enactment of this Ordinance.

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Be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Naga in session assembled:

ARTICLE I

PRELIMINARIES

SECTION 1. Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the **“ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF COMMERCIAL AND BACKYARD POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK FARMS IN NAGA CITY”**

SECTION 2. Coverage. This ordinance shall govern commercial and backyard poultry, piggery, and other livestock farms in the City of Naga.

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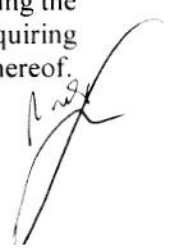
SECTION 3. Legal Basis. The enactment of this Ordinance is based on the spirit, intents and objectives of PD 856 or the Sanitation Code of the Philippines, RA 9003 or the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act; RA 8749 or the Clean Air Act; RA 9275 or the Clean Water Act, RA 6969 or the Act to Control Toxic Substances and Hazardous and Nuclear Waste, and RA 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991, particularly Section 16 thereof, and their respective Implementing Rules and Regulations.

SECTION 4. Purpose – This Ordinance is enacted to promote public health and welfare and protect the integrity of the environment as a measure of ensuring the sustainable operation of livestock farms in order to generate continued employment and spur economic development.

SECTION 5. Definition of Terms. Words and phrases used in this Ordinance shall be understood in the sense indicated hereunder:

- a. *House Fly* - scientific name, *Musca Domestica*, is a winged pest found in and around animal farms and human habitation, lays its eggs in decaying or decomposing organic materials, has a life span of about 21 days, and is a health hazard due to contamination of food. A female housefly lays about 500 eggs within its lifespan;
- b. *House Fly Eggs* - white grain of rice in appearance and develop into maggots within 24 hours from the time the eggs are laid;
- c. *House Fly Maggot* - the hatched house fly egg that develops into a housefly in about 5 days from the time the egg is laid, and feeds on dead animals or decaying organic materials;
- d. *House Fly Breeding Areas* - manure, decomposing dead animals, and other decaying organic materials;
- e. Infestation – uncontrolled growth and proliferation of pests.
- f. *Brooding area* - the area that house the chicks and where they are grown;
- g. *Backyard Farm* - a small-scale poultry-, hog- or livestock-raising facility consisting of at least one hundred (100) but not more than three hundred (300) heads of chicken and/or at least ten (10) but not more than fifty (50) heads of hog or other four-legged animals or livestock, provided, that the number of the latter's sucklings are excluded in the count.
- h. *Biodegradable Waste* - any material that can be reduced into finer particles (degraded or decomposed) by micro-biological organisms or enzymes.
- i. *Biodegradation*- a process in which a material is decomposed by microbiological organisms or enzymes.
- j. *Biogas Digester*- a septic tank wherein animal wastes are deposited to produce methane gas.
- k. *Commercial Farm* - a poultry-, hog- or other livestock-raising facility consisting of more than three hundred (300) heads of chickens and/or more than fifty (50) heads of hogs or livestock excluding their sucklings.
- l. *Citation Ticket* - A notice of violation issued by the inspection/enforcement officer specifying the pertinent act committed in violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance, ordering the farm owner/operator to immediately cease and desist from committing the same, and requiring the institution of immediate compliance measure necessary to prevent the commission thereof.

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- m. *Compliance Order* – An order issued by the inspection/enforcement officer specifying the noted deficiency in the requirements set forth under the pertinent provisions of this Ordinance and specifying the period to comply thereto.
- n. *Conventional Poultry House* - a chicken coop which is open-air type, elevated from the ground, with bamboo slats for the flooring and walling.
- o. *Environmental Sanitation Control* - the maintenance of cleanliness of the immediate premises and proper building construction and maintenance so as to prevent access of pests into human dwellings.
- p. *Existing Poultry and Piggery Facility* - a poultry or piggery house that is occupied or has been occupied as commercial farm as of the date of the effectivity of this Ordinance.
- q. *Health Hazards* – the risk or danger to one's health or life.
- r. *Insects* – flies, mosquitoes, cockroaches, bedbugs, fleas, lice, ticks, ants and other insects that may pose health hazard;
- s. *Integrated Pest Control*- controlling pests through the use of different methods and procedures which implemented to complement each other. These procedures may include the use of pesticides, environmental sanitation measures, natural as well as mechanical and biological control methods.
- t. *Livestock*- domestic animals raised in a farm, especially those intended for human consumption;
- u. *Environmental Compliance Certificate* – a document issued by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) certifying that based on the representation of the project proponent, as reviewed and validated by the appropriate agency, the proposed project or undertaking will not cause significant negative environmental impact and the proponent has complied with all the requirements pertinent to the issuance thereof;
- v. *Local Government Unit* – the local political subdivision which refers to the province, city, municipality or barangay.
- w. *Manure*- refuse from stables and barnyards, consisting of animal excreta with or without litter.
- x. *Manure Storing*- stockpiling or disposition of manure.
- y. *Noxious*- anything offensive to the human senses and/or tends to cause injury.
- z. *Nuisance* – anything that injures health, endangers life, offends the senses or produces discomfort to the community.
- aa. *Objectionable Odor* – any odor present in the atmosphere which, by itself or in combination with other odors, may be harmful or injurious to human health or welfare, and unreasonably interferes with the comfortable use and enjoyment of life and property, or which creates a nuisance.
- bb. *Pest* - any destructive or unwanted insect or other small animals (flies, rats, mice, etc.) that causes annoyance, discomfort, nuisance or transmission of disease to humans or damage to structures;

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