



CREATING THE LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ANTI-TRAFFICKING AND VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN (LCAT-VAWC)

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WHEREAS, to institutionalize mechanisms for the protection and empowerment of women, various policies and laws have been enacted by the Philippine government, such as the Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act of 2003 and the Anti-Violence Against Women and Their Children Act of 2004, among others;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Naga is proactive and aggressive in supporting the national government's effort to promote the welfare of women, as shown in its immediate passage of the Naga City Women Development Code and the honor bestowed by Philippine Commission on Women in certifying Naga City as one of its GAD Local Learning Hubs;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Naga will never rest on its laurels and will continue to make the best better for the benefit of Nagueñas;

NOW THEREFORE, I, NELSON S. LEGACION, Mayor of the City of Naga, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ANTI-TRAFFICKING AND VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN. The Local Committee on Anti-Trafficking and Violence against Women and their Children (LCAT-VAWC) of Naga is hereby created, with the following composition:

Chairperson:

Hon. Nelson S. Legacion

City Mayor

Vice Chairperson:

Hon. Cecilia B. Veluz-De Asis

City Vice Mayor & GAD Focal Point Person

Members:

Hon. Gilda Gayle R. Abonal-Gomez

Chairperson, SP Committee on Women and Family Affairs

Ms. Annabel SJ Vargas

City Social Welfare and Development Officer

Mr. Wilfredo Prilles, Jr.

City Planning and Development Office Head





Dr. Vito Borja IICity Health Officer

Mr. Roderick Reforsado METRO PESO Head & Program Director, Naga City Migrants Resource Center

Mr. Lino Ruperto Boncodin, Jr. City Director, DILG-Naga

PCOL Nelson PacalsoCity Director, Naga City Police Office

Atty. Ruvi Jean Villagomez-Cariño City Prosecutor, City Prosecution Office

SECTION 2. EXPANDED MEMBERSHIP. To promote cooperation among all stakeholders of Naga in building a self-reliant and caring city, the following are hereby invited to join the LCAT-VAWC:

Ms. Marivic Balance Representative, Women Sector

Mr. Lance Jethro Bermundo Representative, Children's Organizations

Mr. Elmer Sto. Domingo Chairman, Naga City People's Council

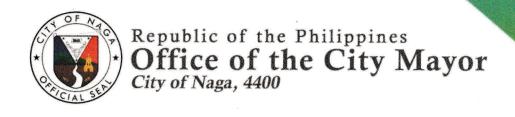
Ms. Jenivie Diaz-Aguallo Head, Overseas Workers Welfare Administration – Naga City

SECTION 3. DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS. The LCAT-VAWC shall:

- a) Institute policies and programs to protect women and children who are victims of trafficking-in-persons (TIP) and violence against women and their children (VAWC);
- b) Create and establish systems on surveillance, investigation, and rescue to ensure effective and efficient coordination among relevant agencies and sectors;
- c) Undertake information, education, and advocacy campaign against TIP and VAWC;
 - d) Monitor and oversee the strict implementation of RA 9208, RA 9262, and other related laws for the protection of women and children, and of the IACAT and IACVAWC national plans of action.









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