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PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO
MUNICIPALITY OF GLORIA

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

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MINUTES OF THE 7th REGULAR SESSION OF THE 14th SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF GLORIA HELD AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL ON MONDAY DATED AUGUST 19, 2019 AT 9:00 IN THE MORNING.

PRESENT:

HON. VIC RUSKIN M. ONG	-	Presiding Officer
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HON. RODOLFO S. DAPITO	-	SB Member
HON. LAURO L. DE BELEN	-	SB Member
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HON. WILFREDO S. CONDESA	-	SB Member
HON. HENRY S. SOBERANO	-	Liga President
HON. BONJOVE S. DE MESA	-	SKMF President

ABSENT : NONE

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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 15
Series of 2019

Sponsored by: Hon. Rodolfo S. Dapito

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING WALANG LANGIT WATERFALLS, TWIN PANTON CAVE, BAMBOO PLANTATION AND AGSALIN FISH SANCTUARY IN GLORIA, PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO AS ECO-TOURISM DESTINATION OF THIS MUNICIPALITY, REGULATING ACTIVITIES THEREIN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR ITS PROTECTION, MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENT AND PROMOTION.

WHEREAS, the LGU of Gloria must declare the area as one of its eco-tourism destinations and appropriate funds for its protection, maintenance, improvement and promotion;

WHEREAS, Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Panton Cave, Bamboo Plantation and Agsalin Fish Sanctuary plays a very important role in the development of tourism industry in the municipality by providing tourist to experience the beauty of nature and visit, such that it contributes to the economy of local host community and strengthen their participation in governance and environmental conservation;

WHEREAS, activities and other operations in the area should be properly regulated in accordance with the status of the area or public domain and as a way of recognition and respect to the already established system and cultural beliefs, customs and traditions;

WHEREAS, barangay coordination being the stronghold in the protection and preservation of Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Panton Cave, Bamboo Plantation and Agsalin Fish Sanctuary must be firmly established;

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WHEREAS, community-based eco-tourism enterprise as an auxiliary, if not primary means of livelihood which may be derived from the area being an eco-tourism destination may be established through proper regulations;

WHEREAS, the need to rehabilitate, conserve and protect the ecological significance of Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Panton Cave, Bamboo Plantation and Agsalin Fish Sanctuary in the entire eco-system of Gloria through conservation, re-integration, endemic flora and fauna species is becoming apparent to enhance its life sustaining capabilities and nature;

WHEREAS, the opportunities of co-management and cooperation in maintaining the ecological significance of Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Panton Cave, Bamboo Plantation and Agsalin Fish Sanctuary with other stakeholder that shares common purpose is important in re-enforcing the conservation measure being undertaken at the Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Panton Cave, Bamboo Plantation and Agsalin Fish Sanctuary;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, be it enacted that protection, maintenance, improvement and promotion policies be pursued to elevate Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Panton Cave, Bamboo Plantation & Agsalin Fish Sanctuary to their role as eco-tourism destination in Gloria, Oriental Mindoro.

NOW, THEREFORE on motion of Hon. Rodolfo S. Dapito, Chairperson, Committee on Tourism jointly seconded by Hon. Henry S. Soberano and Hon. Bonjove S. De Mesa be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Gloria in Session assembled that:

**CHAPTER I
BASIC PRINCIPLES**

Section 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known and cited as "ECO-TOURISM DESTINATION" of Gloria, Province of Oriental Mindoro.

Section 2. Declaration of Policy. The Municipal Government of Gloria, Province of Oriental Mindoro hereby declares Walang Langit Waterfalls, Panton Cave, Bamboo Plantation & Agsalin Fish Sanctuary as eco-tourism destination and adhere to the protection, maintenance, improvement and promotion policies with the end goal of promoting sustainable and balance development which supports local economy.

Section 3. Objective. The declaration of the eco-tourism destinations is purposely establish to:

1. Develop Walang Langit Falls, Panton Cave, Bamboo Plantation & Agsalin Fish Sanctuary a nature-based adventure tourism destination site of Gloria, Oriental Mindoro.
2. Rehabilitate, conserve and protect the ecological significance of Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Panton Cave, Bamboo Plantation & Agsalin Fish Sanctuary in the entire ecosystem of Gloria, Oriental Mindoro through protection, conservation, re-integration and propagation of endemic flora and fauna species in the area.
3. Regulate and harmonize outdoor and adventure activities in the area consistent with applicable laws and municipal ordinances.

Section 4. Definition of terms whenever use in this ordinance the following should mean:

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Eco-tourism- a form of sustainable tourism aim to protect, conserve and promote the sustainable use of biological and cultural biodiversity that facilitates income generation, provide jobs and business opportunities and share its benefits equitably with local communities and indigenous people by obtaining their informed consent and full participation in planning and management of eco-tourism in a protected area.

WLW - Walang Langit Waterfalls.

TPC – Twin Pantan Cave

BP – Bamboo Plantation

AFS – Agsalin Fish Sanctuary

MENRO – Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office

DENR- Department of Environment and Natural Resources

LGU - refer to the Local Government Unit of Gloria

MTO – Municipal Tourism Office

MDRRMO –Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office

BLGU – Barangay Local Government Unit

Peak Season – influx of local and foreign tourists/visitors outdoor activities.

Porter – refer to the person engaging in porterage services.

R.A. 9003 – refer to the Philippine Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000.

Tour Guide-refers to a person engaging and facilitating a tour at Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Pantan Cave, Bamboo Plantation & Agsalin Fish Sanctuary.

User /Adventurer – refer to the visitors seeking outdoor activities.

CHAPTER II

OUTDOOR AND ADVENTURES POLICY

Section 5. User's and Other Fees.

a) User's Fee

There will be the two rates of fees for the user to be collected from the users depending upon the season. Payment made to the LGU or Barangay shall not be non-transferrable.

1. Peak Season Rate-P150.00
2. Other Season-P100.00

The same user's fee shall be collected on Local and Foreign tourist, student and children. However, PWD, Senior Citizens discount 20% shall be given to senior citizen and PWD upon presentation of Senior Citizen ID.

User's fee is inclusive of Visitors ID, Visitors Orientation and Certificate of Adventure. It shall grant free access to destination. User's fee shall be implemented for the first three years and shall be reviewed on the fourth year.

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c) Porter fees shall be two hundred fifty pesos/day for a maximum of 15kg weight of baggage. Additional P25.00 per kg should be charged for every excess baggage. However, such porter shall be limited to 20kgs.

Section 6. Sharing System of User Fees.

The Barangay will have a mandatory share of 60% on the user's fees while the remaining 40% shall be given to the Municipal government.

Section 7. Research

Scientific research to be conducted in Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Pantan Cave, Bamboo Plantation & Agsalin Fish Sanctuary must first obtain/get approval from MENRO and from the DENR, the research including sampling and collection of flora and fauna and mineral deposits. Researcher shall coordinate with the BLGU where the study is to be conducted. They are required to pay user's fee.

Section 8. Other Course-Oriented Activities

1. Course Oriented users are required to pay applicable fees except if waived by the Municipal Government or BLGU.
2. No course activities shall be conducted during peak season.

Section 9. A Regulated "Walk-in Users" policy shall be strictly implemented. All Users shall be pre-book through the Municipal Tourism Office. Only LGU accredited tour guide shall assist all user/tourist.

Section 10. User's Orientation

Orientation is mandatory to all Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Pantan Cave, Bamboo Plantation & Agsalin Fish Sanctuary users.

Orientation shall include but not limited to:

- a) Entrance Fee
- b) Guiding and portorage policies
- c) Cultural sensitivities along the trail
- d) Solid Waste Management

Section 11. No person who is fifteen (15) years and below shall be allowed to engage in outdoor activities in the four tourist destinations without his or her parents or guardians.

Section 12. User's ID Card.

All users shall be provided with a Color Coded identification card to be issued by Municipal Treasurer's Office.

Section 13. Qualification of porters and tour Guide.

1. Porters – All porters must be accredited by MTO. He must be at least eighteen (18) to fifty five (55) years old, physically and mentally fit with good moral character and without criminal cases and be familiar with the trail to the Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Pantan Cave, Bamboo Plantation & Agsalin Fish Sanctuary.
2. All tour guide must be at least eighteen (18) to fifty five (55) years old physically and mentally fit with good moral character and without criminal case, can communicate in English or Tagalog and trail specific and must be undergone training in rescue course and tour guiding.

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Section 14. Solid Waste Management.

Users, porters and tourists guide shall be responsible to bring down all solid waste generated during the trek. They shall be required to fill-up zero basura form for inventory of solid waste. Regular clean up drive shall be conducted by the BLGU and shall allocate funds for maintenance and clean up drive activities. Pursuant to RA 9003, BLGU must established on MRF to ensure efficient utilization and disposal of waste. Under the scheme, BLGU must designate areas for waste drop-off at the entrance and exit point of the tourist destinations.

Section 15. Signage.

Signage should be stable and immovable and should be strategically located along the trail. Materials to be used for signages are Plain GI Sheet and steel frame with the size 3x4 feet. It should reflect basic information like trail, direction, maps and information of the destinations and its corresponding eco-tourism product.

Section 16. Search and Rescue

To ensure visitors safe entry to Walang Langit Waterfalls, Twin Pantan Cave, Bamboo Plantation & Agsalin Fish Sanctuary will be often from 8:00 Am to 4:00 Pm. If accident happen along the trail, tour guides and porters shall respond to the emergency with the help of the BLGU and shall report to MDRRMO on the actual or other emergency case that shall occur during the trek. Rescue protocols within the tourist destinations shall be handled by the MDRRMO of the Municipality.

Section 17. Blacklisting of Tourist.

Tourist porters and guides shall be prohibited from ever again going on the tourist destination on the ground of duly establish violation:

1. Destruction and possession of Flora and Fauna without permit.
2. Dumping of waste products.
3. Direct use of soap, detergent and shampoo in water source.
4. In appropriate conduct such as stealing, disrespecting local/indigenous people and their practice creating trouble and smoking and making loud noise.
5. Alteration and Destruction of signages and tourism facilities.
6. Porter and tour guide without accreditation.
7. User's tour guides and porter shall be given first final warning before blacklisting.

Section 18. Prohibited Acts.

The penalties prescribed in the subsequent section should apply to any person who:

- a) Hunts, poison or destroy any timber forest product, natured growing or wild terrestrial animals, Flora and Fauna or products desired from the area.
- b) Cuts/destroy any tree or shrubs, or other erosion preventing plants.
- c) Hunts, collects, removes or destroys endangered or protected species, except when collection or removal is for scientific research.
- d) Destroy, damage, mutilates or defaces any act of Vandalism or any object of natural beauty object of anthropological or cultural importance.
- e) Alters, removes, destroy or defaces boundary markers or interpretative signs relating to the area.
- f) Leaves, debris, garbage in exposed or unsanitary condition anywhere within the Walang Langit Falls, Pantan Cave, Bamboo Plantation & Agsalin Fish Sanctuary.

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- g) Indecent practices are strictly prohibited in all area of the tourist destination.
- h) Fire Prevention

Camp fires are strictly prohibited in all trails and camp sites, smoking is allowed only on designated area and is strictly prohibited on trails and closed canopy/forested camp sites.

Cooking shall only be done using portable burner. Use of firewood is strictly prohibited. No fireworks or display of pyro techniques is allowed.

Section 19. Penalties

In violation of Section 16 and 17 hereof. The offender should be noted with the following penalties in every offense incurred.

1. A fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1, 000.00) shall be imposed for the first offense or two (2) days community service inside the area.
2. A fine of one thousand five hundred (Php 1, 500.00) shall be imposed for second offense or three (3) days of community service inside the area.
3. A fine of two thousand five hundred (Php2,500.00) shall be imposed for third offense and in every offense committed therefor or five (5) days of community service inside the area, in which case the offender shall be with automatically banned from entering the area.

Note: The length of days for community service shall not set-off the days for community service if the offender should commit two or more violations. Other offenses should be dealt with accordingly pursuant to applicable ordinances, laws, or rules and regulations.

CHAPTER II

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 20. Appropriations.

The Government of Gloria, Oriental Mindoro shall provide an initial funding of One Million Pesos (Php1,000,000.00) for the implementation of this ordinance through MENRO. Said fund may be augmented by grants, donation and endowment from various sources, domestic or foreign.

Section 21. Separability Clause.

In the event that a provision of this ordinance is found or decreed to be invalid or unconstitutional all other provisions hereof not affected by such pronouncement or decree remain to be in full force and effect.

Section 22. Repealing Clause.

All ordinances, rules and regulations or parts thereof, in conflict with or inconsistent to the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 23 Effectivity Clause.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately after fifteen (15) days from the date a copy thereof is posted on a bulletin board at the entrance of the Municipal Hall, as the case maybe, and in at least two (2) other conspicuous places in the municipality.

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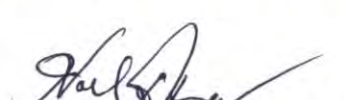
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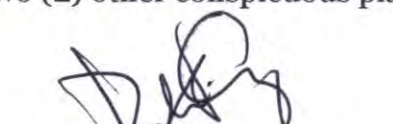
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Enacted: August 19, 2019

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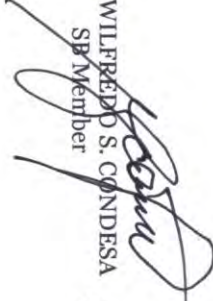
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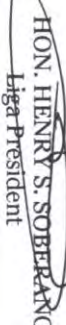
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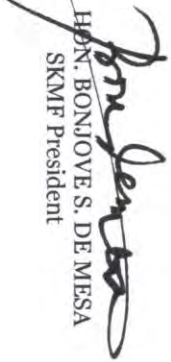
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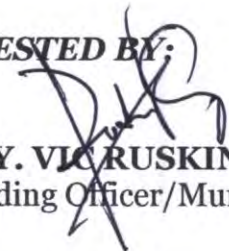
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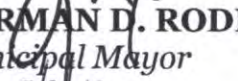


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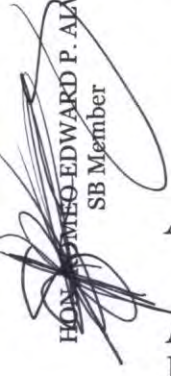
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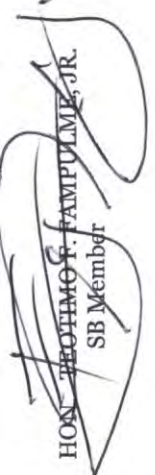
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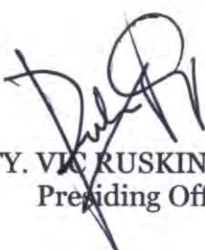
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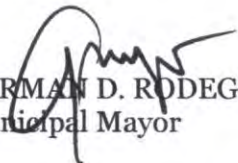
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EXCERPT FROM THE JOURNAL OF THE 17TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 10TH SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF ORIENTAL MINDORO HELD AT SP LOUNGE, BATASANG PANLALAWIGAN (BENIGNO S. AQUINO, JR. LEGISLATIVE BLDG.), GOV. IGNACIO ST., BRGY. CAMILMIL, CITY OF CALAPAN ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019

PRESENT:

Hon. Carlito F. Camo	Acting Vice Governor/Acting Presiding Officer
Hon. C. Voltaire S. Brucal	Member
Hon. Judy Ann D. Servando	Member
Hon. Emmanuel S. Buenaventura	Member/Floor Leader
Hon. Ramil O. Dimapilis	Member
Hon. Mae Arlene M. Talens	Member
Hon. Edilberto C. Ilano, Jr.	Member
Hon. Alexandra C. Casubuan	Member
Hon. Rafael L. Infantado	Member
Hon. Michael Anthony Philippe L. Leachon	Member
Hon. Marion Francis D. Marcos	PCL President/Ex-Officio Member
Hon. Dennis V. Brondial	ABC President/Ex-Officio Member
Hon. Joeniña R. Aguilon	SKPF President/Ex-Officio Member

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RESOLUTION NO. 4940 – 2019

RESOLUTION DECLARING MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 15, SERIES OF 2019 OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF GLORIA, ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE DECLARING WALANG LANGIT WATERFALLS, PANTON CAVE, BAMBOO PLANTATION AND AGSALIN FISH SANCTUARY IN GLORIA, PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO AS ECO-TOURISM DESTINATION OF THIS MUNICIPALITY, REGULATING ACTIVITIES THEREIN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR ITS PROTECTION, MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENT AND PROMOTION”, AS WITHIN THE POWER OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN TO ENACT ORDINANCES, EXCEPT FOR THE IMPOSITION OF PENALTY OF RENDERING COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR VIOLATION OF SECTION 447 (a) (1) (ii) OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE (LGC OF 1991”)

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Bayan of Gloria, Oriental Mindoro, submitted Municipal Ordinance No. 15, Series of 2019, entitled “An Ordinance declaring Walang Langit Waterfalls, Panton Cave, Bamboo Plantation and Agsalin Fish Sanctuary in Gloria, Province of Oriental Mindoro as Eco-Tourism destination of this Municipality, regulating activities therein and appropriating funds for its protection, maintenance, improvement and promotion”;


WHEREAS, the Committee on Tourism, Trade, Industry, Investment and Economic Affairs studied said ordinance and found out that the same was approved pursuant to Section 447 of Local Government Code (“LGC of 1991”), except for certain provision stipulated in the said ordinance;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Sangguniang Panlalawigan finds Ordinance No. 15, Series of 2019, to be within the conferred powers of the Sangguniang Bayan of Gloria to enact or approve under LGC of 1991 - except to the imposition of penalty of rendering community service for violation of Section 447 (a) (G) (1) (i) of the same code - subject to full and continuing compliance of all relevant laws, rules and regulations which shall be the full and primary responsibility of the LGU, Municipal Mayor and all concerned officials and employees of Gloria in the implementation of the said ordinance.

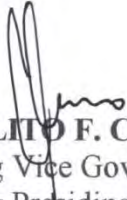
Let copies of this resolution, together with the Committee Report, be furnished the Municipal Mayor and the Members of the Sangguniang Bayan, thru the Secretary to the Sanggunian, of the Municipality of Gloria, for their information.

On motion of Board Member Rafael L. Infantado, jointly seconded by Board Members Ramil O. Dimapilis, Dennis V. Brondial, Mae Arlene M. Talens and Joeniña R. Aguilon, this Resolution was APPROVED.

Certified Correct:


DIWATA H. FETIZANAN
Secretary to the
Sangguniang Panlalawigan

Attested:


CARLITO F. CAMO
Acting Vice Governor/
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