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City of Lapu-Lapu
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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 114TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIAN PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF LAPU-LAPU HELD AT THE SESSION CITY HALL ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025



REGULAR SESSION NO. 114

PRESENT:

Hon. Celedonio B. Sitoy, M.D.
Hon. Annabeth D. Cuizon
Hon. Jan Vincent A. Dela Serna
Hon. Linda Susan C. Baring
Hon. Marciano A. Alforque, Jr.
Hon. Celestino C. Aying
Hon. Efren T. Herrera
Hon. Jeorgen E. Book
Hon. Joseph T. Pangatungan
Hon. Emilio L. Galarzo, Jr., M.D.
Hon. Ariane Neil Marie D. Yap
Hon. Jasmine Marie K. Chan
Hon. Orlan Joseph C. Carungay

Vice Mayor & President
President Pro Tempore
Majority Floor Leader
Asst. Majority Floor Leader
Sanggunian Member
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Sanggunian Member (LnB Pres.)
Sanggunian Member (PPSK Rep.)

ABSENT:

Hon. Climaco A. Tatoy, Jr. Sanggunian Member

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Proponent: HON. ANNABETH D. CUIZON

RESOLUTION NO. 16-4168-2025

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LAPU-LAPU CITY GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE CITY TOURISM OFFICE AND THE CITY DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE TO ENSURE THAT ENTERTAINMENT AND TOURISM-RELATED ESTABLISHMENTS IMPLEMENT CHILD-FRIENDLY AND SAFETY-COMPLIANT POLICIES

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines upholds the rights of children to protection, safety, and well-being, ensuring that they are shielded from harm and exploitation in all sectors, including tourism and recreation;

WHEREAS, Proclamation No. 115-A signed by former President Ferdinand E. Marcos declared that each month of every year to be devoted to a particular aspect of safety and accident prevention with the month of April delegated for Vacation Hazards Awareness since the month relates to accidents and hazards that may arise during school vacations and travel;

WHEREAS, currently being deliberated by our Senate is Senate Bill No. 2971 "An Act Preventing, Mitigating, And Responding To Risks Affecting Children While On Vacation, Engaging In Leisure, Or Participating In Any Other Activities Related To The Tourism Industry";



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WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 2971, or "Sandy's Act" after Sandy Garrovillas who died in Palawan after being stung by jellyfish, seeks to establish mechanisms to prevent, mitigate, and respond to risks affecting children in the tourism industry, ensuring that hotels, resorts, amusement parks, travel agencies, and other tourism-related establishments implement child-friendly and safety-compliant policies;

WHEREAS, the proposed bill mandates that local government units (LGUs) play a critical role in enforcing safety measures, conducting awareness campaigns, and monitoring tourism establishments to ensure strict compliance with child protection standards;

WHEREAS, the tourism is among the main industries in the City of Lapu-Lapu, attracting both local and foreign visitors, and providing leisure and recreational opportunities for families and children;

WHEREAS, despite its benefits, tourism also presents risks to children, including but not limited to accident, exploitation, abuse, neglect, and other safety concerns while engaging in vacation and leisure activities;

NOW THEREFORE, on joint motion of Hon. Annabeth D. Cuizon and Hon. Joseph T. Pangatungan duly seconded by Hon. Celestino C. Aying, Hon. Jeorgen E. Book and Hon. Marciano A. Alforque, Jr.,

RESOLVED, as it is hereby being resolved, to request the Lapu-Lapu City Government through the City Tourism Office and the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office to ensure that entertainment and tourism-related establishments implement child-friendly and safety-compliant policies such as but not limited to:

- Installation of child-friendly infrastructure (e.g., secured fences, slip-resistant surfaces, lifeguards at pools and beaches).
- Have clear and visible safety signages (e.g., drowning hazard warnings, emergency exits, restricted areas).
- Availability of first-aid kits and medical personnel in tourist areas.
- Regulation of child-friendly transport services (e.g., requiring car seats, seat belts for children in tourist vehicles).
- Prohibition of overloading and reckless driving in tourist transport services.
- Mandatory child safety briefings for adventure tourism activities (e.g., zip-lining, snorkeling, hiking).



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RESOLVED FURTHER, to request the Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Lapu-Lapu to furnish the Lapu-Lapu City Tourism Officer and the City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Officer copies of this resolution, the Senate Bill No. 2971 and Proclamation No. 115-A for information and guidance.

APPROVED.

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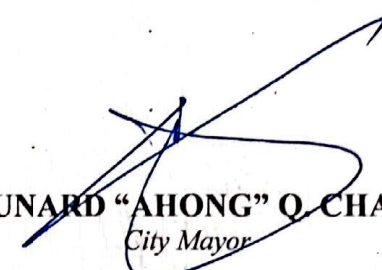
I hereby certify to the correctness of the above-quoted resolution:


MYRA A. YCONG
SP Secretary

ATTESTED:


CELEDONIO B. SITOY, M.D.
Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:


JUNARD "AHONG" O. CHAN
City Mayor

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