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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 14
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REORGANIZING and REACTIVATING THE LOCAL PRICE COORDINATING COUNCIL THE MUNICIPALITY OF ITOGON

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7581 otherwise known as the Price Act provides for the protection of consumers by prescribing measures against undue price increases during emergency situations and the like;

WHEREAS, following the declaration by World Health Organization that COVID-19 is pandemic, the number of people infected with the coronavirus continue to increase in the country, prompting the President of the Republic, Rodrigo Roa Duterte to raise the COVID-19 Alert Status to Code Red, sub-level 2 per recommendation of the Inter-Agency Task Force on the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease;

WHEREAS, subsequent events which have negative impacts to our normal living conditions due to COVID-19 require immediate actions to prevent impending rise in the prices of basic goods, commodities and services attributable to acts of irregularities by some persons or business establishments such as hoarding, over pricing and similar acts to benefit themselves to the detriment of the general public;

WHEREAS, with the enforcement of an enhanced community quarantine over entire Luzon, there is a need to intensify our actions to ensure that our people have access to essential goods and commodities such as food, water and medicines based on suggested retail price being imposed by the Department of Trade and Industry and to protect their rights and interests against all forms of abuses;

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, I, **ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN**, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Itogon, Benguet Province, hereby reorganize and reactivate the Local Price Monitoring Council of the Municipality of Itogon as follows:

Section 1. Composition: The Local Price Coordinating Council of the Municipality of Itogon is hereby reorganized and shall be composed of the following:

- CHAIRMAN:** ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN
Municipal Mayor
- Vice Chair:** ATTY. NOEL G. NGOLOB
Municipal Administrator
- MEMBERS:**
 - MR. ROGER P. CATAYAO
Engr. II, Municipal Agriculturist Office
 - P/MAJOR ROMMEL P. SAWATANG
Chief of Police, IMPS
 - NORBERTO I. PACIO
Representative of Cooperatives
 - MS. CHERYL ROSE F. CARDENAS
DILG-MLGOO
 - HON. MACKENZIE T. PIO JR.
Chairman, S.B. Comm. On Trade and Industry
 - All Punong Barangays

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Section 2. Duties and Functions. The Local Price Coordinating Council shall perform the following functions:

1. Monitor exorbitant price increase on essential prime commodities;
2. Adopt measures to address hoarding and panic buying;
3. Conduct regular inspections of public and private markets;
4. Deputize barangay officials and NGOs to monitor abnormal price increases;
5. Coordinate with other appropriate government agencies to prevent unwarranted price increases and hoarding;
6. Initiate appropriate actions against hoarders or persons/establishment that violate price freeze orders; and
7. Perform such other duties and functions pursuant to law or ordinance, or as may be directed by the Local Chief Executive.

Section 3. Administrative Support. The Joint Inspection Team shall provide administrative support to the Council including assistance during inspection and price monitoring.

Section 4. Repealing Clause. All Administrative Orders and executive issuances inconsistent with this ORDER or parts hereof are deemed modified or repealed accordingly.

Section 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE this 1 6th day of March, 2020 at Itogon, Benguet.


ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN
Municipal Mayor

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