

Republic of the Philippines Province of Benguet Municipality of Itogon

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DESIGNATING THE MUNICIPAL HALL AS EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER AT THE OCCURRENCE OF CALAMITIES AND OTHER NATURAL OR MANMADE HAZARDS AND DIRECTING A 24/7 OPERATIONS THEREOF IMMEDIATELY FROM THE TIME OF NOTIFICATION OF AN IMPENDING HAZARD, OR UPON OCCURRENCE THEREOF.

WHEREAS, Disaster Operations Center serve as an avenue for coordinating efforts to prevent, prepare for and to respond to disasters;

WHEREAS, municipal hall buildings often serve as Operations Center at the occurrence of disasters due to natural or man-made hazards, and unless the circumstances require for safety and convenience, a safer building on different location may be designated as such;

WHEREAS, being the central command and coordination center, it is imperative that the main operations center shall maintain a 24/7 operations to ensure continuous monitoring and dissemination of vital information, enable quick response and maintain collaborative efforts with other LGUs, higher government offices/agencies, the public and the private sector:

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers vested in me as Local Chief Executive, I, **HONORABLE BERNARD S. WACLIN**, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Itogon, Benguet Province, hereby ORDER as follows, to wit;

Section 1. The Municipal Hall is hereby designated as Emergency Operations Center for disaster response and coordination. As such, it shall operate on a 24/7 basis immediately upon notification of an impending hazard or upon the occurrence unpredictable incidents, or immediately preceding a storm, and other type of disaster that will affect the Municipality of Itogon.

Section 2. Along with the main operations center, all barangay-based operation centers shall likewise be activated and operation on a 24/7 basis to provide support services and quick response in their respective areas of jurisdiction.

Section 3. The MDRRM Office shall serve as support staff to man the operations center. For this purpose, the MDRRMO shall designate members of the staff to be assigned thereat to provide administrative support to the MDRRMC, while the Punong Barangays along with their BDRRM Committees shall be responsible in providing manpower to their respective barangay operations center. Provided further that all municipal emergency responders, drivers, heavy equipment operators, health and MSWDO personnel are required to be present at the municipal operations center for the rendition of necessary services. Provided finally, that all Punong Barangays shall activate their respective emergency responders, health volunteers and barangay tanods on a Red Alert status and shall likewise require them to immediately report to their respective barangay halls upon instruction from the Local Chief Executive.

Section 4. The MDRRMO, together with the MSWD Officer shall ensure prior prepositioning of stocks to the sub-operations centers for quick distribution as the necessity arises. Relatively, food and non-food supplies including medicines funded under the LDRRM Fund should be procured immediately in accordance with the provisions of R.A. 9184 upon approval of the Annual Budget.

Section 5. Under normal conditions, the main operations center shall still function on a regular basis wherein the MDRRM Officer will hold office to perform his duties and functions as provided under R.A. 10121, its implementing rules and regulations and such other related issuances. Provided further that said MDRRM Officer shall always update the Local Chief Executive on all matters pertaining to disaster risk reduction and management.

Section 6. If for any reason, part or parts of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional by competent authorities, the remaining portions hereof not affected by such declaration remain to be in full force and affect.

Section 7. All Executive Orders or parts thereof inconsistent herewith or parts hereof are deemed repealed and/or modified accordingly.

Section 8. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE this 14th day of November, 2022 at Itogon, Benguet.

HON. BERNARD S. WACLIN Municipal Mayer