

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 59

Series of 2020

AN ORDER REIMPOSING A 24-HOUR LIQUOR BAN IN DAVAO CITY EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 2, 2020 UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2020

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has declared a COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Duterte issued Presidential Proclamation 1021 extending the State of Calamity in the country until September 12, 2021;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Republic Act No. 7160 also known as the Local Government Code provides that within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and promote health and safety and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

WHEREAS, a 24-hour liquor ban was implemented in the City during the Enhanced Community Quarantine as provided in Section 3 of the Executive Order No. 23-B Series of 2020 last April 6, 2020;

WHEREAS, an order providing for the lifting of the 24-hour liquor ban was implemented as provided in Executive Order No. 50 to gradually allow business establishments to resume operations including businesses in the liquor industry;

WHEREAS, there is a surge of COVID-19 cases in Davao City because of the innumerable activities allowed during a Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ);

WHEREAS, there is a need to control the COVID-19 cases in Davao City because of the full occupancy of the COVID-19 beds in the Southern Philippines Medical Center (SPMC) and Temporary Treatment and Monitoring Facilities (TTMFs);

WHEREAS, it has been observed from patient interviews that selling, serving, and consumption of liquors and other similar intoxicating drinks encourage close contact gatherings thereby defeating the objective of the community quarantine;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to reimpose a 24-hour liquor ban in Davao City to prevent the exposure of individuals to the COVID-19 virus by reason of their unbridled drinking sessions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SARA Z. DUTERTE, Mayor of the City of Davao, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. DECLARATION. No liquor and any other alcoholic or intoxicating drinks shall be sold, served, or consumed in public 24 hours of the day effective 5 AM of November 2, 2020.

SECTION 2. ONE STRIKE RULE. The Vices Regulation Unit (VRU) and Barangay Council shall conduct vigorous surveillance of all restaurants, fastfood, sarisari stores, and similar establishments and must immediately move for the closure of an establishment after a single violation is properly documented.

SECTION 3. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

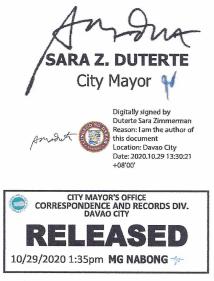
SECTION 4. REPEALING CLAUSE. All Orders or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect 5 AM of November 2, 2020 until December 31, 2020.

Done this 29th day of October 2020 in Davao City, Philippines.

Attested by:

City Administrator 🦛



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