WHEREAS, Article 2 Section 13 of the 1987 Constitution states that, “the States recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being.” It shall inculcate in the youth, patriotism and nationalism and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs;

WHEREAS, it is a declared policy of the locality to promote and protect the physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, cultural and social well-being of the youth and to inculcate in them values of patriotism and nationalism and to encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs of the municipality;

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the municipality to reach out to the youth in the barangay and to encourage them to actively participate and be involved in the in its programs;

WHEREAS, the Local Government of Baliwag would like to ensure that the youth are given priority and that programs and policies will be truly beneficial to them;

NOW THEREFORE, by the powers vested in me by law, I, FERDINAND V. ESTRELLA, Municipal Mayor of Baliwag, hereby order the creation of the Local Youth Development Council of Baliwag under the Office of the Mayor, with following stipulations:

SECTION 1. NAME AND NATURE OF OFFICE. The office shall be known as the “Local Youth Development Council of Baliwag.” It shall be under the Office of the Mayor and shall be headed by the Chairman who shall be appointed by the Municipal Mayor.

SECTION 2. GENERAL OBJECTIVES:

1. To develop and harness the full potential of the youth as responsible partners in nation-building;
2. To encourage intensive and active participation in all government and non-government programs, projects, and activities for the youth;
3. To harmonize all government and non-government initiatives for the development of the youth sector;
4. To supplement the local government’s appropriation for youth promotions and development; and
5. To broaden and strengthen the services provided by the Local Government and its counterparts in the barangay to the youth sector.
Specific Objectives:

1. To broaden and strengthen the services provided by the national government agencies, local government units and private agencies to young people;
2. To provide information mechanism on youth opportunities on the areas of education, employment, livelihood, physical and mental health, capability-building and networking and other relevant issues of the youth;
3. To involve the youth of Baliwag and make them partners in the maintenance of peace and order and preservation, gender and development mainstreaming, conservation and protection of the environment and natural resources in the community, with specialized focus on pressing issues like HIV and AIDS, Illegal drug abuse and Climate Change among others;
4. To provide monitoring and coordinating mechanisms for youth programs, projects and activities; and
5. To provide venue for the active participation of the youth in cultural and eco-tourism awareness program.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL. The Council shall be composed of the following:

A. Chairperson - Municipal Mayor
B. Vice-Chairperson - SB Committee Chairperson on Youth Development
C. Members:

a. Municipal Administrator
b. Municipal Planning and Development Officer
c. Budget Officer
d. Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer
e. Municipal Health Officer
f. Municipal Local Government Operations Officer
g. Public Information Officer/ Youth Affairs Officer
h. Community Affairs Officer
i. Philippine National Police Officer on Youth Affairs
j. Public Employment and Services Officer
k. Population Officer
l. DepEd District Supervisors (North and South Districts)
m. ABC President
n. President, Pag-asa Youth Association – Baliwag
o. President, Task Force on Youth – Baliwag
p. President, Kabataang Bayani ng Baliwag
q. Mr. Sam Pagaduan, Private Sector
r. Mr. Renz Domingo, former SK Federation President
s. Ms. Jennelyn Marcelo, Public Employment Service Office
t. Representative from Bukuran ng mga Sangguniang Mag-aaral ng mga Paaralan, Kolehiyo at Unibersidad ng Baliwag.

u. President, Baliwag Chamber of Business

SECTION 4. FUNCTIONS.

a. To formulate policies and component programs in coordination with the various government agencies handling youth-related programs, projects and activities;
b. To develop and provide support for the development and coordination of youth projects and design strategies to gain support and participation of the youth;
c. To coordinate and harmonize activities of all agencies and organizations in the locality who are engaged in youth development;
d. To implement programs aimed at developing the full potential of the youth;
e. To empower the youth through heightened awareness on the various issues like early sexual encounters, teenage pregnancy, HIV and AIDS, involvement in vices and illegal drugs, bullying and abuse, gender inequalities among others;
f. To recommend youth programs and project proposals to appropriate government agencies;
g. To establish a Youth Center Integrated with ISDN (Information and Service Delivery Network) in partnership with the Commission on Population Region III and other government and Non-Government Agency which shall cater to the specialized needs of the youth;
h. To accredit youth organizations within the city;
i. To formulate and submit to the Municipal Mayor the local youth agenda;
j. to monitor implementation of programs and projects at the local level; and
k. To perform such other functions as may be required by the Municipal mayor and the law.

SECTION 5. SECRETARIAT. The Municipal Youth Affairs Office shall be the secretariat of the Local Youth Development Council.

SECTION 6. LOCAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN. The council shall formulate and adopt a Local Youth Development Plan which shall be the basis for the implementation of Local Youth Development programs and services in coordination with the concerned agencies. These shall include but not limited to Youth Development Programs and Youth Development Services.

SECTION 7. MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL. The Council shall meet quarterly or as maybe deemed necessary. The Chairperson or his duly designated convener shall preside in all council meetings.

SECTION 8. REPEAL CLAUSE. All other policies or laws creating organizations, councils or boards in the city which exist having similar program with the Local Youth Development Council are hereby repealed.

SECTION 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision or part thereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or the provision not otherwise affected shall remain valid and subsisting.
SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, This 28th day of November, 2016 at the Municipality of Baliwag, Bulacan, Philippines.

FERDINAND V. ESTRELLA
Municipal Mayor

By the Mayor:

ENRIQUE V. TAGLE
Municipal Administrator