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EXECUTIVE ORDER 25

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THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BALIWAG PAGBABAGO REFORMATION CENTER

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to protect its citizens from hazardous products, promote their right to health and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 9165 otherwise known as the Comprehensive Dangerous Drug Act of 2002 reaffirms the policy of the State to safeguard the integrity of its territory and the well-being of its citizenry particularly the youth, from the harmful effects of dangerous drugs on their physical and mental well-being, and to defend the same against acts or omissions detrimental to their development and preservation;

WHEREAS, the same republic act mandates the provision of effective measures to re-integrate into society individuals who have fallen victims to drug abuse or dangerous drug dependence through sustainable programs of treatment and rehabilitation;

WHEREAS, there is an intensifying plea for a concrete and sustainable program that shall address the pressing concerns of substance abuse in the Municipality and to eradicate such as health implications, family dysfunctions, unemployment and drug-related crimes;

NOW THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND V. ESTRELLA, Mayor of the Municipality of Baliwag, Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do order:

SECTION 1. There shall be in the Municipality of Baliwag, Bulacan, established Baliwag Pagbabago Reformation Center which shall be the center point of activities designed to prevent initiation of substance abuse, and for those who have already fallen victim, detoxify and prevent substance abuse relapse and re-initiation.

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SECTION 2. Administration and Management. The Office of the Municipal Mayor shall create a Steering Committee chaired by the Municipal Administrator. The Steering Committee shall appoint Chairpersons of the different committees deemed necessary in the exigency of service. Further, the Municipal Administrator shall appoint a Program Manager under its direct supervision, and shall be the lead agency in the establishment and operations of the Baliwag Pagbabago Reformation Center. Supporting agencies will be, but not limited to: DILG, PNP, Municipal Health Office, Municipal Social Welfare and Development, Community Affairs Office, Municipal Agriculture Office, Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator, Municipal Budget Office, Municipal Nutrition Office, Public Employment Service Office and Baliwag Polytechnic College.

SECTION 3. Screening and Admissions Criteria. Each Barangay Anti-Drug Abuse Council shall recommend known substance abusers who willingly submit themselves to the Municipal Health Office for screening and identification of treatment needs. Only those evaluated to be of low or medium risk for drug dependency shall be eligible to be admitted to the Reformation Center, pending individual family and community profiles which will be accomplished by the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office. Those identified to be high risk for drug dependence shall be referred to the nearest Rehabilitation and Treatment Center, while those evaluated to have substance-induced mental illness shall be referred to the nearest Mental Hospital, with written recommendation by the Municipal Anti-Drug Abuse Council. No person shall be admitted to the Reformation Center without his written informed consent, signed waiver and willingness to abide by the rules of the Center.

SECTION 4. Activities. The Baliwag Pagbabago Reformation Center shall give due respect to individual rights and shall not in any way encourage social stigma nor participate in shame campaigns against substance abusers. It shall, however, conduct its war against substance abuse through prevention of initial use, and reduction of negative health and social consequences, through activities such as, but not limited to:

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