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# OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 17

Series of 2022

### AN ORDER REORGANIZING THE LOCAL COMMITTEE ON ANTI-TRAFFICKING AND VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN (LCAT-VAWC)

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act 9208 declares that the state shall give the highest priority to the enactment of measures and development programs that will promote human dignity, protect the people from violence and exploitation, eliminate trafficking in persons and mitigate involuntary migration and servitude of persons;

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act 9262 mandates the protection of women and children from violence, recognizes the dignity of women and their children guarantees the protection and respect of human rights;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the above-cited laws, Inter-agency Councils for Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children are being organized from the National down to Local Government Levels;

**WHEREAS**, Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2010-1, dated October 18, 2020, of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and the Department of Justice (DOJ) directed the creation of Local Committees on Anti-Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children (LCAT-VAWC) in all Local Government Units;

**WHEREAS**, the Local Committee is created primarily to establish and strengthen the local structure that will collaboratively address the problem of Human Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children;

**WHEREAS**, to strengthen and institutionalize the structure and organization of the Local Committee on Anti-Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children (LCAT-VAWC), there is a need to organize the said committee.

**WHEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing, I, **MARIA THERESA R. TIMBOL**, Municipal Mayor of this town, by the virtue of the powers vested in me by law do hereby order the Reorganization of the Local Committee on Anti-Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children (LCAT-VAWC) in the Municipality of Kapalong, Province of Davao del Norte.



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**Section 1. Composition.** There is hereby reorganized as members of the Local Committee on Anti-Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children (LCAT-VAWC) in the Local Government Unit of Kapalong is hereby organized with the following composition:

Chairperson	<b>HON. MARIA THERESA R. TIMBOL</b> Municipal Mayor
Co-Chairperson	<b>MARY GRACE L. ABUDA, RSW, MSSW, DPA</b> Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer
Vice-Chairperson	<b>HON. EDGARDO L. TIMBOL</b> Municipal Vice-Mayor/ERPAT Advocate
Members	<b>HON. JONAS O. ROYO</b> SB Member/Chairperson, Committee on Women, Children and Family Relations
	<b>ENGR. ALVIN D. AGAYAN, EnP</b> Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator
	<b>LOUELYN H. EXALA, MD, DPCOM</b> Municipal Health Officer
	<b>DELIA R. PERNITES</b> PESO Manager
	<b>HON. GAY GERLE T. MASEPEQUEÑA- PELTON</b> Municipal Circuit Trial Court Judge
	<b>KIM LESTER V. CHAN</b> Municipal Local Government Operations Officer
	<b>PMAJ RAUL M LUCAS</b> Chief of Police, Kapalong Police Station
	<b>SANDRA J. ELIZAGA</b> NGO Representative – Women Sector
	<b>CHORMEL GUILLAN J. ROYO</b> NGO Representative – Child Sector
	<b>PASTOR DULCE AMOR VISCAYA</b> Mayor's Office – Moral Recovery Program

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**ELMOR C. ZOLIMA**

Overseas Filipino Worker Federated  
President

**MARIA CECILIA CABUSAS**

KCW Coordinator

**Section 2. Secretariat.** The Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer shall serve as the Secretariat of the LCAT-VAWC.

**Section 3. Functions and Responsibilities.** The Local Committee on Anti-Trafficking and Violence and their Children shall have the following functions:

- 2.1 Institute policies and programs to women and children who are victims of trafficking and violence;
- 2.2 Create and establish systems on surveillance, investigation and rescue to ensure effective and efficient coordination;
- 2.3 Undertake information, education and advocacy campaign against trafficking of persons and VAWC;
- 2.4 Coordinate with the Regional and National Committees on Anti-Trafficking and Violence Against Women and their Children on any course of action that may facilitate and may: 1. Prevent trafficking and VAWC; 2. Properly administer the comprehensive rehabilitation and reintegration of victims of trafficking and VAWC;
- 2.5 Monitor and oversee the strict implementation of RA 9208, RA 9262 and other related laws for the protection of women and children, and for the IACAT and IACVAWC national plans of action; and
- 2.6 The LCAT-VAWC shall also implement the programs and activities as laid down and/or stated in the national plan of action.

**Section 4. Meetings and Quorum.** The LCAT-VAWC shall meet at least once every quarter or as often as may be necessary.

**Section 5. Repealing Clause.** All rules and regulations or part thereof in conflict with or inconsistent with the provision of this order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

**Section 6. Effectivity.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon signing hereof and shall remain in full force unless revoked or amended.

Signed this 24<sup>th</sup> day of **August, 2022** at 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Executive Building, LGU Compound, Maniki, Kapalong, Davao del Norte, Philippines.



**MARIA THERESA R. TIMBOL**

Municipal Mayor

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