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 Municipality of Santol



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-147

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AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION AGAINST PERSONS INFECTED, PERSONS UNDER MONITORING (PUM), PERSONS UNDER INVESTIGATION (PUI), AND PERSONS ASSOCIATED WITH OR RELATED TO PERSONS INFECTED WITH CORONA VIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19), PERSONS UNDER MONITORING (PUM), PERSONS UNDER INVESTIGATION (PUI) INCLUDING HEALTH WORKERS AND FRONTLINERS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTOL, LA UNION.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Santol, La Union in session duly assembled that:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This Ordinance shall be referred to as the “Anti-COVID-19 Discrimination Ordinance of the Municipality of Santol, La Union”.

SECTION 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms are defined as follows:

- a. **COVID-19** – shall refer to the Corona Virus Infectious Disease.
- b. **Persons Infected/ Persons Under Investigation (PUIs) / Persons Under Monitoring (PUMs)** – shall refer to those defined by the protocols and guidelines of the Department of Health.
- c. **Health workers** – shall refer to those who deliver care and services to the sick and ailing, either directly or indirectly. They may include, among others, doctors, nurses, hospital and clinic aides, and laboratory technicians.
- d. **Frontliners** – shall refer to officers and members of the PNP, AFP, and instrumentalities of the government rendering emergency frontline services, border control and other critical services. Frontliners also include service workers who are working in private establishments providing basic necessities and such activities related to food and medicine production, i.e. public markets, supermarkets, groceries, convenience stores, hospitals, medical clinics, pharmacies and drug stores, food preparation and delivery services, water-refilling stations, manufacturing and processing plants of basic food products and medicines, banks, money transfer services, power, energy, telecommunications and water supplies and other related facilities.
- e. **Discrimination** – refers to any act or omission which unduly curtails or impairs a right, or excludes and withholds access to services, goods, benefits, or privileges, where the right or access to which is not otherwise withheld, prohibited, or restricted by relevant protocols, guidelines, and rules issued by the State through the Department of Health (DOH), the Inter-Agency Task Force for Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID), and such other authorized agencies of the government relative to measures tends to cause any stigma, disgrace, shame, humiliation, harassment, or discrimination against persons afflicted with or have

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recovered from COVID-19, persons under investigation, and persons under monitoring, on the basis of their status as such.

SECTION 3. UNLAWFUL ACTS. It shall be unlawful:

- a. For any person, whether natural or juridical, to commit any act or make utterances which cause or tend to cause stigma, disgrace, shame, humiliation, harassment or otherwise discriminating against a person infected, under investigation or monitoring due to COVID-19, health worker or frontliner;
- b. For any public officer to refuse or fail to give assistance to a person infected, under investigation or monitoring due to COVID-19, health worker or frontliner who intends to return to their place of residence or domicile, after obtaining clearance of the COVID-19 infection from the proper health officials; and
- c. For any person who shall publicly claim, post on social media, spread or announce that a person is infected, is under investigation or monitoring due to COVID-19 whether or not the same has been confirmed or validated from the list given by authorized proper health officials, agency or department. EXCEPT when the patient concerned waived his/her right to privacy and for purposes of contact tracing and other medical purposes.

SECTION 4. PENALTIES. Any person caught in violation of this Ordinance shall be liable to fine of Two Thousand five hundred pesos (PhP2,500.00) or imprisonment not exceeding six (6) months, or both at the discretion of the court.

SECTION 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision, a section or part of a section of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the validity of the remaining provisions, sections, or parts of sections shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 6. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect upon posting and publication.

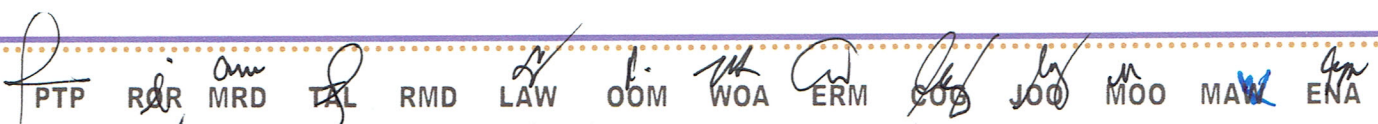
APPROVED.

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CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

ABSENT	:	SBM Roxanne M. Dangle (On Maternity Leave)
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NEGATIVE	:	None
DATE OF PASSAGE	:	April 16, 2020
COMMENTS	:	Enacted during the Third Reading

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted ordinance, which was enacted during the Third Reading.



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Approved this 14th day of June, 2020.

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CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a Public Hearing was conducted last April 15, 2020 on the above-mentioned ordinance.

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