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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 040-2019

AN ORDER BANNING THE USE OF NON-BIODEGRADABLE PLASTICS AND POLYSTERENE IN ALL MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT-LED EVENTS AND MEETINGS

WHEREAS, Section 10 of the Republic Act No. 9003 or the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000 states that the LGUs shall be primarily responsible for the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of the said Act within their respective jurisdiction pursuant to the relevant provisions of R.A. No. 7160 or the Local Government Code:

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government of Pinamalayan has started its campaign against the use of non-biodegradable plastics and polystyrene in the Municipality of Pinamalayan through the passage of Sangguniang Bayan Ordinance No. 05-2018 "An Ordinance Prohibiting the Use and Sale of Non-Biodegradable Packaging/Bagging Materials such as Plastic Bags/Plastic Cellophane, Styrofoams/Styrophors making Pinamalayan a Plastic and Styrofoam Free Municipality and Institutionalizing the use of Biodegradable Containers within the Municipality, Providing Penalties and Allocating Funds, thereof" and implementation of the same;

WHEREAS, leading by example, campaign against use of non-biodegradable plastics and polystyrene should commence at the Municipal Government of Pinamalayan by resorting to eco-friendly alternative.

NOW THEREFORE, I, ARISTEO A. BALDOS, JR., Municipal Mayor, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. Ban in the Use of Non-Biodegradable Plastics and Polystyrene. Bags, straws, cups, plates and utensils made of non-biodegradable plastic and/or polystyrene are hereby prohibited to be used in packaging and/or serving of food in all municipal government-led events, meetings and/or gatherings. Thus, henceforth catering service providers shall utilize porcelains, papers, bioplastics, bagasse and/or other eco-friendly alternatives in the transporation, packaging and provision of food. A provision to this effect shall be provided in the corresponding catering or supply contract. Ensuring the incorporation of the desired provision in the contract shall be primarily responsibility of the department or office head concern

Section 2. INCENTIVE TO INNOVATIVE ECO-FRIENDLY IDEAS. The Municipal Government personnel and/or office that will be able to introduce and successfully pilot groundbreaking mechanisms or procedures towards the municipality's shift to use of eco-friendly bags, straws, cups, plates and utensils shall be provided with incentives as may be determined by the Program on Awards and Incentives for Service Excellence (PRAISE) Committee.

Section 3. CONSEQUENCES OF VIOLATIONS. Catering service providers and/or suppliers found in transgression of this Order will be blacklisted by the Municipal Government. Assisgned employees of violating offices shall be held administratively liable.

Section 4. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the Municipality of Pinamalayan, Oriental Mindoro this 23rd day of September, 2019

ARISTEO A. BALDOS, JR.

Municipal Mayor