

## Republic of the Philippines City of Bago OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 1869<sup>th</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF BAGO HELD ON APRIL 19, 2017 AT THE SP SESSION HALL, BAGO CITY.

PRESENT:

HON. RAMON D. TORRES City Vice Mayor-Presiding Officer

HON. MA. JOSEFA Y. MATTI SP Member SP Member HON. ANDREW MARTIN Y. TORRES HON, CARLOS E. MONDIA SP Member HON. JORGE AGUSTIN A. ARANETA SP Member SP Member HON. MAE C. JAVELLANA HON. CLEO F. GAUDITE SP Member HON. ALLAN C. GALUNAN SP Member SP Member HON. DANILO U. FAMOSO HON. JOZSEF MARK DEXTER M. SOMCIO SP Member

HON. SERGIO T. PIANSAY SP Member-ABC President

ABSENT:

NONE.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 17-115**

RESOLUTION APPEALING TO THE PUBLIC IN BAGO CITY TO MANIFEST SUPPORT TO THE SUGAR INDUSTRY BY REFRAINING FROM ADVERTISING, SELLING AND CONSUMING COCA-COLA PRODUCTS.

**WHEREAS**, the sugar industry is among the primary economic activities in the City with approximately 10,650 hectares of the total 25,250 hectares, more or less, agricultural lands in the City is devoted to sugarcane plantation and supporting a considerable percentage of the City's population;

**WHEREAS**, Coca Cola Bottlers Philippines, Inc., with its Plant in Bacolod City, is allegedly using High Fructose Corn Syrup (HFCS), an imported industrial food product used as substitute to naturally occurring sweeteners in its products;

**WHEREAS**, there are clinical studies indicating that High Fructose Corn Syrup (HFCS), even if consumed in moderation, goes right to the liver and triggers lipogenesis that lead to increased metabolic disturbances that drive increases in appetite, weight gain, diabetes, heart disease, cancer, dementia, among others;

WHEREAS, The Provincial Government of Negros Occidental and some Cities and Municipalities in the Province had already expressed displeasure to the alleged blatant disregard of the sugar industry by the Coca Cola Bottlers Philippines, Inc. in not using locally-produced sugar from sugarcane in their beverage products and banned their selling and promotion activities during the Panaad Sa Negros and other local festivals; and

**WHEREAS**, after thorough deliberation, the August Body is of the consensus to support the clamor of Negrosanons to protect their livelihood and the sugar industry of Negros.

**NOW THEREFORE,** on motion of SP Member Jorge Agustin A. Araneta, unanimously seconded by SP Members present, the Sanggunian Panlungsod

**RESOLVED,** as it is hereby resolved to appeal to the public in Bago City to manifest support to the sugar industry by refraining from advertising, selling and consuming Coca-Cola products.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copy of this Resolution be furnished the Honorable City Mayor, the Liga Ng Mga Barangay, all of this City, for their information.

## ATTESTED:

**RAMON D. TORRES** 

City Vice Mayor-Presiding Officer

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:** 

**VICENTE D. MESIAS** 

Supervising Environmental Management Specialist/ City Secretary-Designate