

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 24, SERIES OF 2020

DECLARING THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, LA UNION UNDER AN ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (ECQ) FROM JULY 21-31, 2020

WHEREAS, the Inter-Agency Task Force for Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF), through its Resolution No. 55-A dated July 14, 2020, declared the Province of La Union under an extended Modified Community Quarantine (MGCQ) from July 16-31, 2020;

WHEREAS, after such declaration, on July 20, 2020, the City of San Fernando, La Union was reported by the Department of Health-Region 1 to have six (6) new positive cases for COVID-19, bringing the active cases of the City to fourteen (14);

WHEREAS, IATF Resolution No. 30, Series of 2020 dated April 29, 2020, and Presidential Executive Order No. 112, Series of 2020 dated April 30, 2020, authorized the Provincial Governors to impose, lift, or extend community quarantine in component cities and municipalities subject to the approval of the Regional Inter-Agency Task Force against COVID-19;

WHEREAS, to arrest the further spread of the COVID-19 in the City of San Fernando, La Union, and to benefit its surrounding municipalities as well as the Province in general, there is a need to declare a heightened classification for the City pursuant to the unnumbered Memorandum of the IATF dated June 16, 2020, captioned "Operational Guidelines on the Application of the Zoning Containment Strategy in the Localization of the National Action Plan Against COVID-19 Response"; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned requested, on July 20, 2020, for a different classification for the City of San Fernando, La Union because of the sudden surge of positive cases in the City, and the Regional IATF has approved the same in its Resolution No. 24, Series of 2020 issued on July 21, 2020 and received by this office on the same day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANCISCO EMMANUEL "PACOY" R. ORTEGA III, Governor of the Province of La Union, by the powers vested in me by law, DO HEREBY PLACE THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, LA UNION UNDER AN ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (ECQ) EFFECTIVE JULY 21, 2020 UNTIL JULY 31, 2020, unless sooner revoked or extended with the concurrence of the RIATF, and all guidelines, protocols, rules, and regulations in the implementation thereof shall be revived and be made applicable during the said period.

PROVIDED, FURTHER, that the Local Chief Executive and the local Philippine National Police (PNP) are hereby directed to ensure compliance with the Operational Guidelines on the Application of the Zoning Containment Strategy in the Localization of the National Action Plan Against CoViD-19 Response and other applicable guidelines during the implementation of ECQ such as, but not limited to, imposing stringent limitation on movement and transportation of people, the establishment of checkpoints, the observance of the minimum health protocols, the closing of non-essential establishments, and strict regulation of operating industries, the imposition of curfews, and heightened presence of uniformed personnel to enforce protocols.

DONE this 21st day of July, 2020 in the City of San Fernando, La Union.

FRANCISCO EMMANUEL "PACOY" R. ORTEGA III

Provincial Governor

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