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Province of Cagayan
Tuguegarao City



OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR

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THE PRESIDING OFFICER AND MEMBERS

Sangguniang Panlungsod
This City

Dear *Presiding Officer and Members of the Sanggunian*:

Pursuant to Section 54 of Republic Act No. 7160, being the Local Chief Executive of this City, I am exercising my veto power and vetoing 4-09-2025 entitled "An Ordinance Amending Section 1 and Section 3 of City Ordinance No. 17-2002 Titled "An Ordinance Regulating Certain Activities Within the Premises of the Tuguegarao City Airport".

This veto is being made in the interest of public welfare and good governance on the following grounds:

- I. The assailed city ordinance did not comply with the required publication provision as mandated by the Local Government Code of 1991.

Please be informed that Article 114 (Rule XVII) of the Rules and Regulations Implementing the Local Government Code of 1991 pertains to posting and publication of ordinance with penal sanctions, which states that:

"ART. 114. Posting and Publication of Ordinance with Penal Sanctions – (a) Ordinances with penal sanctions shall be posted at prominent places in the provincial capitol, city, municipal or barangay hall, as the case may be, for a minimum of three (3) consecutive weeks. Such ordinances shall also be published in a newspaper of general circulation, where available, within the territorial jurisdiction of the local government unit concerned, except in the of barangay ordinances. Unless otherwise provided therein, said ordinances shall take effect on the



day following its publication, or at the end of the period of posting whichever occurs later”.

Considering that the proposed amended city ordinance has a penal sanctions, and by failing to include this publication requirement, the proposed ordinance undermines the principles of transparency and public accountability that are crucial for a functioning democracy. It also deprives citizens of the opportunity to be fully informed of new regulations that could affect their daily lives.

Therefore, may we urge the inclusion of a clear publication provision in the proposed ordinance with penal sanctions, regardless of the same being a mere amendment, in compliance with the Local Government Code of 1991.

In the name of public service,


MAILA ROSARIO S. TING-QUE

City Mayor
