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AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE RULES AND PROCEDURES TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF BACOOR, CAVITE, THE BACOOR CITY POLICE STATION, AND BY THE LIGA NG MGA BARANGAY IN THE CITY OF BACOOR, CAVITE DURING PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES AND IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF.


WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 empowered local government units to exercise such powers as may be necessary to promote the general welfare and safeguard public order and public safety.

WHEREAS, Section 8 (b) (1) of Republic Act No. 10160 (also known as the “Charter of the City of Bacoor”) empowered the City Mayor to “exercise those powers expressly granted to him by law, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate or incidental for the efficient and effective governance of the City, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare”.

WHEREAS, Section 8 (b) (1) (vii) of the Charter of the City of Bacoor further empowered the City Mayor to “carry out such emergency measures as may be necessary during and in the aftermath of man-made and natural disasters and calamities”.

WHEREAS, as of 7 February 2020, the Philippines is among the 25 countries in the world affected by the novel coronavirus (nCoV) which originated from China. As of the date afore-mentioned, the nCoV has already affected 31,420 persons and has killed 638 – one of which was in the Philippines.

WHEREAS, due to the serious nature of the said illness, President Rodrigo Duterte, has ordered that all foreign nationals who came from China, Hong Kong, or Macau be barred from entering the country while all Filipinos or foreigners who have been granted Permanent Residency Status in the Philippines who came from either China, Hong Kong, or Macau be quarantined for 14 days.

[Signatures and approvals]
WHEREAS, aside from the public health crisis posed by the nCoV, the City of Bacoor also had the dubious distinction of being among the localities that was recently affected by the Asian Swine Fever which resulted in the forcible culling of hundreds of pigs being bred within the City of Bacoor. Lamentably, it was reported by the Department of Agriculture on 5 February 2020 that despite the combined effort of various local government units all over the country to eradicate the Asian Swine Fever, there has been a resurgence of the said disease in Mindanao which resulted in the destruction of 1,000 heads of swine and a renewed threat to the country’s meat supply and swine population.

WHEREAS, one of the most effective tools in the arsenal of the government in controlling the spread of any type of contagion is through the imposition of a quarantine on infected animals, persons, goods, or items.

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9271 (the “Quarantine Act of 2004”) created the Bureau of Quarantine (BOQ) and empowered that agency under the Department of Health (DOH) to lead “the examination at ports of entry and exit in the Philippines of incoming and outgoing vessels and aircraft, the necessary surveillance over their sanitary conditions, as well as over their cargoes, passengers, crews, and all personal effects, and the issuance of quarantine certificates, bills of health or other equivalent documents”. The BOQ shall also “have authority over incoming vessels and outgoing vessels both domestic and foreign, including those of the army and navy, their wharfage and anchorages, and over aircraft and airports, insofar as it is necessary for the proper enforcement of the provisions” of the said law. However, the said law did not provide mechanisms on how local government units should deal with outbreaks involving the passengers or cargo of motor vehicles travelling by land or people residing within LGUs who came from countries where an outbreak has occurred who may have escaped the scrutiny of the DOH or the BOQ.

WHEREAS, on 6 February 2020, the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) released Memorandum Circular No. 2020-023 entitled “Amended Guide to Action Against the 2019 Novel Coronavirus Acute Respiratory Disease” directing local chief executives to lead in the implementation of measures necessary in the promotion of health and safety within their respective jurisdictions and in efforts related to the prevention, mitigation, preparedness for, and containment of the 2019 Novel Coronavirus Acute Respiratory Disease (nCoV).

WHEREAS, while MC No. 2020-023 is a step in the right direction in the fight against nCoV, the said malady is not the only contagious disease that the City of Bacoor might potentially be exposed to in the future and there is a need for the city government to come up with a more coherent and proactive strategy in combating any outbreak that might endanger the health and safety of the residents of the City of Bacoor in the foreseeable future.

WHEREAS, the said public health emergencies revealed that the city government does not have an ordinance that would guide its officials as well as the general public as to how a quarantine should be...
conducted and what would be the legal consequences in case a person or group of persons violate the rules of such quarantine.

WHEREAS, this Ordinance aims to provide the rules of procedure to be followed by the city government, the Bacoor City Police Station, the Liga ng mga Barangay, and by the general public when a quarantine is declared necessary by public health officials and the legal consequences that can be imposed against any person – natural or juridical – who will violate such rules.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor, Cavite THAT:

PART I - PRELIMINARY

1. Short Title

This Ordinance shall be cited as the “2020 Quarantine Ordinance of the City of Bacoor”.

2. Scope and Applicability of Ordinance

In this Ordinance, quarantine shall be understood as having relation to measures for the inspection, exclusion, detention, observation, segregation, isolation, protection, treatment, sanitary regulation and/or disinfection of vessels, motor vehicles, domiciles, rooms, business establishments, public areas, persons, animals, goods and things and having as their object the prevention of the introduction or spread of diseases or pests affecting man, other animals, or plants necessary for the production of food. The provisions of this Ordinance shall only be applicable within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Bacoor as defined in Section 6 of Republic Act No. 101060 (also known as the “Charter of the City of Bacoor”) and shall be implemented in coordination with the Department of Health (DOH), the Bureau of Quarantine (BOQ), the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), and other national government agencies tasked by law to prevent, mitigate, control, or prepare for the outbreak of contagious diseases that endanger public health and safety. The powers herein granted to the City Mayor, and to quarantine officers that he/she might appoint by virtue of this Ordinance, shall not be exercised when a Public Health Emergency as defined hereunder does not exist or no longer exists.

3. Definitions

In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires —

"authorised person" means a person authorised by this Ordinance or by the City Health Officer, City Veterinarian, the Department of Health (DOH), the Bureau of Quarantine (BoQ), or a quarantine officer appointed by the City Mayor, the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), and other national government agencies tasked by law to
prevent, mitigate, control, or prepare for the outbreak of contagious diseases that endanger public health and safety;

"by authority" means by the authority of the City Health Officer, City Veterinarian, the DOH, the BOQ, or a quarantine officer appointed by the City Mayor, or of an officer under this Ordinance doing duty in the matter in relation to which the expression is used;

“business establishments” refer to places used for the conduct of any business, where goods are stored or sold, or where services are rendered which shall include – but not limited to – malls, offices, hospitals, schools, restaurants, canteens, slaughterhouses, warehouses, farms and the like;

“domiciles” refer to places used wholly or partly as a place of dwelling inside a condominium building, dormitory, apartment, a room or cluster of rooms inside an office building, or any other type of building used wholly or partly as a place of dwelling;

“dwelling” means a place or house where people live in, or sleep/rest at, for many days or just for a few hours;

“first point of entry" in relation to a vessel or motor vehicle means a first port or the first road that the said vessel or vehicle used in entering the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Bacoor;

"goods" or “items” includes all kinds of moveable property;

“impounding area” pertains to any area within or outside of the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Bacoor designated as an emergency parking area for motor vehicles and/or isolation area for goods, animals, or persons that the said motor vehicle carries that are subject to quarantine, or for persons infected or potentially infected of a pathogen related to an outbreak;

"infected place" means a place declared to be an infected place by order of City Health Officer, City Veterinarian, or a quarantine officer appointed by the City Mayor;

"master" in relation to a vessel means the person, other than a pilot, in charge or command of the vessel;

"medical officer" in relation to a vessel means any person on the vessel acting as the medical officer, doctor or surgeon of the vessel; in relation to a business establishment situated within the City of Bacoor means any medical doctor or nurse who looks after the health and safety of the persons working at – or patronizing – the said establishment;

“motor vehicle” means any vehicle propelled by any power other than muscular power using the public highways, including road rollers, trolley cars, street-sweepers, sprinklers, lawn mowers, bulldozers, graders, fork-lifts, amphibian trucks,
and cranes even if not used on public highways, vehicles which run only on rails or tracks, and tractors, trailers and traction engines of all kinds used exclusively for agricultural purposes, and other vehicles that are solar-powered used to transport people or goods;

"officer" means a quarantine officer or other officer appointed under this Ordinance;

"vessel" means any fishing vessel or banca carrying tourists or foreign nationals that deliberately or accidentally entered the municipal waters of the City of Bacoor;

"pathogen" means a bacterium, virus, or other microorganism that can cause disease to people or animals thereby endangering public health and safety;

"pest" refers to destructive insects or other animals that attacks crops, food, livestock, or people thereby endangering public health and safety;

"port" refers to a place where a vessel is moored;

"port of departure" in relation to a vessel means the port at which the vessel commenced its current voyage;

"pratique" in relation to a vessel means a certificate of permission granted to a ship to have dealings with a port, given after quarantine or on showing a clean bill of health

"prescribed" means prescribed by this Ordinance or by any order or regulations made thereunder;

"public health emergency" pertains to an emergency need for health care [medical or veterinary] services to respond to a natural or man-made disaster that endanger the health and safety of affecting residents of the City of Bacoor such as but not limited to significant outbreak of an infectious disease, bioterrorist attack or other significant or catastrophic events;

"quarantine" refers to the inspection, exclusion, detention, observation, segregation, isolation, protection, treatment, sanitary regulation and/or disinfection of vessels, motor vehicles, domiciles, rooms, business establishments, public areas, persons, animals, goods and things and having as their object the prevention of the introduction or spread of diseases or pests affecting man, other animals, or plants necessary for the production of food;

"quarantine area" pertains to any place/s where a quarantine may be safely conducted;

"quarantinable disease" means smallpox, plague, cholera, yellow fever, typhus fever or leprosy, coronaviruses, African Swine Fever or any disease declared by the City Health
Officer, by the City Veterinarian, or by the City Mayor to be quarantinable disease;

"quarantine officer" means a quarantine officer appointed under this Ordinance;

"rooms" refer to any place located within a domicile, hotel, motel, hostel or any similar place that are used or rented as a permanent or temporary place of dwelling;

"unauthorised person" means a person not authorised by this Ordinance, or by the City Health Officer, the City Veterinarian, the DOH, the BOQ, the DILG, or by a quarantine officer, to do the act in relation to which the expression is used;

"vessel" means any ship, boat or other description of vessel used in navigation by sea.

Words or phrases used in the Ordinance not defined in this section shall have the meaning provided in the 2020 online edition of Merriam-Webster Dictionary and shall be interpreted in the context in which it was used.

PART II - ADMINISTRATION

4 The City Health Officer or City Veterinarian to Administer Ordinance

(1) Depending on the nature of the public health emergency affecting the City of Bacoor, either the City Health Officer or the City Veterinarian shall be charged with the administration of this Ordinance and the enforcement of any regulations made thereunder. If the public health emergency primarily endangers the life or health of people, the City Health Officer shall be primarily responsible to administer this Ordinance. If the public health emergency primarily endangers the life or health of animals, the City Veterinarian shall be primarily responsible to administer this Ordinance. If the public health emergency endanger the life of persons and animals, the City Health Officer shall be primarily responsible to administer this Ordinance while the City Veterinarian shall assist him/her in the administration hereof.

(2) All quarantine officers shall perform their duties and functions and exercise their powers under and subject to the directions of the City Health Officer or the City Veterinarian, who shall himself also have all the powers of a quarantine officer under this Ordinance.

5 Appointment and Powers of Quarantine Officers

The City Mayor may appoint quarantine officers and other officers for carrying out this Ordinance subject to the recommendation of either
the City Health Officer, the City Veterinarian, the Department of Health (DOH), the Bureau of Quarantine (BOQ), the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), and other national government agencies tasked by law to prevent, mitigate, control, or prepare for the outbreak of contagious diseases that endanger public health and safety. By virtue of such appointment, the quarantine officers and all other city government officials or personnel tasked to implement this Ordinance shall be deemed as persons in authority imbued with police powers and any assault upon them while in the lawful performance of their duties under this Ordinance shall be considered as an assault upon a person in authority punishable under the Revised Penal Code and this Ordinance. The City Health Officer, the City Veterinarian, and the quarantine officers appointed by the City Mayor under this Ordinance shall have the following powers:

(a) To inspect all vessels, motor vehicles, domiciles, rooms, business establishments, public areas, persons, goods and things and having as their object the prevention of the introduction or spread of diseases or pests affecting man, other animals, or plants necessary for the production of food.

(b) To enter into and inspect any and all areas where people, goods, items, plants, plant products, and other materials capable of harboring pathogens or pests are landed, stored, and/or grown.

(c) To examine and/or test all goods, items, or materials from a foreign country or from a place outside the territorial jurisdiction of the City capable of harboring pathogens or pests that pose, or that may potentially pose, a threat to public health and safety in relation to an existing public health emergency.

(d) To inspect, administer treatment, or disinfect if necessary any person, animal, goods items, or materials that may be carrying a pest or pathogen that pose, or that may potentially pose, a threat to public health and safety in relation to an existing public health emergency.

(e) To confiscate or cause the destruction of animals, plants, plant products, or goods that pose, or that may potentially pose, a threat to public health and safety in relation to an existing public health emergency.

(f) To refuse entry into the City of Bacoor of any person, animal, vessel, motor vehicle, or goods that pose, or that may potentially pose, a threat to public health and safety in relation to an existing public health emergency.

(g) To order the arrest of any person that violates the rules on quarantine set forth under this Ordinance or under any Executive Order issued by the City Mayor in relation to a public health emergency.

(h) To order any police officer, barangay official, or city government personnel to assist him/her in the performance of his/her duties.

(i) To order the arrest, or isolation in a quarantine area or impounding area of any person, animal, goods, vehicles, vessel, or item affected by a public health emergency;
(j) To order the owner, manager, officer-in-charge, or supervisor of any business establishment, school, hospital, or other places open or used by the public to strictly implement the rules of quarantine set forth in this Ordinance or under any Executive Order issued by the City Mayor in relation to a public health emergency, and

(k) To perform such other related duties which may be assigned to him/her, from time to time by the either the City Health Officer, City Veterinarian, or by the City Mayor.

6 Temporary Nature of Appointment

(1) The said quarantine officers may or may not be employees of the city government and their appointment shall only last as long as the public health emergency exists as determined by other the City Health Officer or by the City Veterinarian.

(2) Temporary quarantine officers shall only exercise the powers of a quarantine officer appointed under Section 5 during the period of their appointment.

(3) No appointment made in pursuance of this section shall confer on the appointee any right or claim to be permanently appointed to the position PROVIDED that: In case the quarantine officer appointed is a city government employee prior to such appointment, he/she shall retain his/her previous position in the plantilla of the city government despite the termination of his/her appointment as a quarantine officer.

PART III - GENERAL PROVISIONS

7 Declaration of Public Health Emergency; Effect of Declaration

The City Mayor, upon the written recommendation by either the City Health Officer or by the City Veterinarian, the DOH, the BOQ, the DILG, or by any national government agency tasked to control, mitigate, or prevent the spread of a contagion may declare the existence of a Public Health Emergency within the City of Bacoor and declare any place, person, animal, vessel, motor vehicle, goods or items as infected by the pest or pathogen that gave rise to the public health emergency. In case of such declaration, the City Health Officer, City Veterinarian, and quarantine officers shall have the power to order the quarantine of all persons, animals, vessels, goods, items, or places affected by the said Public Health Emergency. The declaration of the existence of a Public Health Emergency shall remain in force as long as the threat to public health and safety exists. Provided: that the declaration of the existence of a Public Health Emergency shall be solely based on (1) sound and accurate scientific or medical data and (2) its implementation shall be solely guided by a desire to safeguard the general welfare. Provided further: that a declaration of the existence of a Public Health Emergency by the City
Mayor that failed to meet the aforementioned standards may be overturned by the Sangguniang Panlungsod through a resolution approved by a majority of its members.

8 Points of entry, etc.

(1) The City Mayor may by Executive Order —

(a) declare any port in the City of Bacoor to be first port of entry for overseas vessels;

(b) identify places on land or sea to be quarantine stations for the performance of quarantine by vessels, motor vehicles, persons, animals or goods;

(c) prohibit the introduction into the City of Bacoor of any noxious insect or any pest or any pathogen or any disease agent or any culture virus or substance or article containing or likely to contain any noxious insect, pest, disease, germ, microbe or disease agent through the construction or setting up of road blocks, testing stations, or any similar devise/s or structure/s;

(d) prohibit the importation into the City of Bacoor of any animal, goods, or items likely to introduce any infectious or contagious disease until they have been subjected to such process of disinfection as a quarantine officer considers adequate;

(e) prohibit the removal of any goods from any part of the City of Bacoor to any other part of the City or to any place outside city limits if such removal shall, or may, result in the spread of the contagion that gave rise to the Public Health Emergency;

(f) declare any part of the City of Bacoor in which any quarantinable disease exists to be a quarantine area;

(g) prohibit any person, animal, goods, or items from entering the City of Bacoor or from leaving or entering a quarantine area;

(h) declare that any vessel, motor vehicle, person or goods in any quarantine area, or in any part of the City of Bacoor in which any quarantinable disease exists as subject to quarantine;

(i) declare any disease to be a quarantinable disease;

(j) order the destruction of any animal, goods, or items that are infected with the pathogen or pest that caused the public health emergency in order to prevent it from spreading; and

(k) exercise such powers analogous to the foregoing that are needed to effectively implement this Ordinance.
District I

HON. MIGUEL N. BAUTISTA
City Councilor

HON. MICHAEL E. SOLIS
City Councilor

HON. ROWENA BAUTISTA-MENDIOLA
City Councilor

HON. ADRIANO O. GAWARAN
City Councilor

HON. VICTORIO L. GUERRERO, JR.
City Councilor

HON. ALEJANDRO E. GUTIERREZ
City Councilor

District II

HON. ROBERTO L. ADVINCULA
City Councilor

HON. HERNANDO C. GUTIERREZ
City Councilor

HON. GAUDENCIO P. NOLASCO
City Councilor

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City Councilor

HON. REYNALDO D. PALABRICA
City Councilor - LGU Engr. President

HON. JOSEPH E. ESPIRITU
City Councilor - SK Federation President

Approved by:

HON. CATHARINE SARMIENTO
City Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer

HON. LAMI MERCADO - REVILLA
City Mayor

10. The power to declare first points of entry under subsection (1) shall extend to authorize the declaration of a port to be a first port of entry for all vessels or for overseas vessels from any particular place or for any class of overseas vessels.

3. The power of prohibition under subsection (1) shall extend to authorize prohibition generally or with limitations as to place and subject-matter and either absolutely or subject to any specified conditions or restrictions.

9. Emergency quarantine grounds

The City Mayor may, by Executive Order, declare any place on land or sea to be a temporary quarantine station for such period as he/she thinks necessary, for the performance of quarantine by any vessel, motor vehicle, person or goods, and the place so appointed shall be deemed to be a quarantine station accordingly.

10. Exemption of certain motor vehicles, vessels and goods

The City Mayor may exempt, for such time and subject to such conditions as she/he thinks fit, from all or any of the provisions of this Ordinance —

(a) any ship of war;

(b) any particular vessel or class of vessels, or motor vehicle used for the delivery of relief supplies, or medicines; and

(c) any persons or goods necessary for the effective implementation of this Ordinance.

11. Master of vessel/ Driver or operator of motor vehicle from an infected place to take precautionary measures to prevent infection;

1. The master of any vessel, or the driver/operator of any motor vehicle, bound to the City of Bacoor which comes from, or calls, or touches at any place where a public health emergency exists as declared by the World Health Organization (WHO) or by the Department of Health, shall, while his vessel or motor vehicle is at that infected place and during the trip to the City of Bacoor, take in respect of the vessel/motor vehicle, her crew, passengers and cargo, all precautionary measures to prevent the introduction into or spread within the City of Bacoor of any quarantinable disease which is prescribed by any regulations made under this Ordinance to be taken in respect of the infected place.

2. The master of any vessel or the driver/operator of any motor vehicle who, having failed to comply with the requirements of the preceding subsection, allows his vessel or motor vehicle to enter any port or place in the City of Bacoor, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) and imprisonment for six (6) months.
(3) In any prosecution under this section, if the master of the vessel or the driver/operator of a motor vehicle satisfies the court that he was not aware of the precautionary measures required to be taken by him and that he took all reasonable means to ascertain whether any such measures were necessary on his part, he shall not be liable to any penalty.

(4) Where a vessel or motor vehicle has arrived from an infected place and the prescribed precautionary measures have not been taken, any prescribed measures for the prevention of the introduction or spread of any quarantinable disease may be carried out by a quarantine officer with respect to the vessel, her crew, passengers and cargo at the expense of the master, owner or agent of the vessel.

12 Fumigation or disinfection of vessel, motor vehicle, or place to destroy pest or pathogen

(1) The master, owner or agent, driver, or operator of any vessel, motor vehicle, or place operating or situated within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Bacoor shall, when required by a quarantine officer in writing to do so, cause his vessel or motor vehicle or premises to be cleaned, disinfected, fumigated or submitted to any specified process for the destruction of pests or pathogens or disease agents in the presence and to the satisfaction of an officer.

(2) Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (P=5,000) or imprisonment for six months or both upon the discretion of a court of law.

PART IV - QUARANTINE OF VESSELS, MOTOR VEHICLES, PERSONS, ANIMALS AND GOODS

13 Vessels or motor vehicles subject to quarantine

The following vessels or motor vehicles shall be subject to quarantine

   (a) every vessel or motor vehicle until pratique has been granted or until it has been released from quarantine;

   (b) every vessel, whether an island vessel or an overseas vessel, on board which any quarantinable disease or disease which there is reason to believe or suspect to be a quarantinable disease has broken out or been discovered, notwithstanding that pratique has been granted or that she has been released from quarantine; and

   (c) every vessel or motor vehicle which is ordered into quarantine by a quarantine officer.

14 Persons or animals subject to quarantine

(1) The following persons shall be subject to quarantine —

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(a) every person who is on board a vessel or motor vehicle subject to quarantine or who has been on board the vessel, being an overseas vessel, since her arrival in the City of Bacoor;

(b) every person infected with quarantinable disease;

(c) every person who has been in contact with or exposed to infection from any person or goods subject to quarantine; or

(d) every person residing or working within the City of Bacoor who came from a place within the Philippines or abroad that has been declared by health authorities in the Philippines or abroad to be the origin or place of transmission of any quarantinable disease within fourteen (14) days after the existence of a Public Health Emergency has been declared; or

(e) all persons who entered a quarantine area or impounding area without express authorization from either the City Health Officer, City Veterinarian (if he/she is the person authorized to administer the pertinent provisions of this Ordinance), the DOH, the BOQ, the DILG, the quarantine officers appointed by the City Mayor, or by the City Mayor.

2 The following animals shall be subject to quarantine —

(a) every animal on board a motor vehicle or vessel that came from a place where a contagious disease has been declared by public authorities to exist that poses a risk to public health or safety;

(b) every animal found in a farm, residence, or business establishment that carry or are infected with a pest or pathogen that poses a risk to public health or safety;

(c) every animal that has injured more than one person that poses a risk to public health or safety.

Goods or items subject to quarantine

3 The following goods or items shall be subject to quarantine —

(a) all goods which are on board a vessel or motor vehicle subject to quarantine or which have been on board the vessel or motor vehicle since its arrival to the City of Bacoor;

(b) all goods infected with a quarantinable disease; and

(c) all goods which have been in contact with, or exposed to infection from, any person or goods subject to quarantine.

15 Continuance of liability to quarantine

All vessels, motor vehicles, persons, animals and goods subject to quarantine shall continue to be so subject from the time they
become subject to quarantine until they are released from quarantine or until pratique has been granted.

16 **Vessel to enter first port of entry**

1. The master of an overseas vessel arriving in the City of Bacoor shall not, unless from stress of weather or other reasonable cause, allow the vessel to enter any port within the City other than a port declared to be a first port of entry.

2. Any person who is guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of **Three Thousand Pesos (Php 3,000.00)**.

17 **Display of quarantine signal**

1. The master of every vessel subject to quarantine shall —
   
   a. display the quarantine signal on his vessel before she comes within 1 league of any port within the City;
   
   b. keep the quarantine signal displayed on his vessel while entering or being in any port or quarantine station.

2. Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of **Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00)**.

18 **Master of vessel/ Driver of motor vehicle to notify City Health Office of outbreak of disease**

1. When —
   
   a. any eruptive disease; or
   
   b. any disease attended with fever and glandular swellings; or
   
   c. any disease which he believes or suspects or has reason to believe or suspect to be a quarantinable disease;

   has broken out on board any vessel or motor vehicle, the master of the vessel or the driver of the motor vehicle shall forthwith, unless the vessel or motor vehicle is actually performing quarantine under the supervision of a quarantine officer —

   i. notify the City Health Officer, any personnel of the City Health Office, or any quarantine officer, of the breaking out of the disease; and

   ii. display the quarantine signal on his vessel or a written sign posted on his windshield informing others of such outbreak and keep it so displayed until he is authorised by the
City Health Officer, any personnel of the City Health Officer, or any quarantine officer to remove it or until his vessel or motor vehicle is released from quarantine.

(2) The master of a vessel in port, or the driver of a motor vehicle, shall forthwith give notice in writing, via text message, or through electronic mail, to the City Health Officer, any personnel of the City Health Office, or any quarantine officer of every case of every prescribed disease which was on his vessel or motor vehicle when it arrived in the City of Bacoor or which has arisen on his vessel or motor vehicle since it arrived in the City.

(3) Every person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (Php 3,000.00).

19 Signal/Written Sign

The quarantine signal or written sign to be displayed by a vessel or posted on the windshield of a motor vehicle covered by this Ordinance, and the manner by which such signal or written sign shall be displayed, shall be as prescribed, and shall be displayed in the manner prescribed, in the Implementing Rules of this Ordinance.

20 Unauthorised person not to board vessel/motor vehicle

(1) No unauthorised person shall go on board or alongside a vessel or motor vehicle subject to quarantine or while the quarantine signal or sign is displayed on the vessel or motor vehicle except as is in the next following subsection provided.

(2) At the request of the master, owner or agent, or operator of a vessel subject to quarantine, any person bona fide acting as a pilot or driver may go alongside or on board such vessel for the purposes of pilotage, but any pilot so going alongside or boarding such vessel shall become subject to quarantine.

(3) At the request of the owner or operator of a motor vehicle subject to quarantine, the driver of the said motor vehicle may go alongside the said motor vehicle while it is being made subject to quarantine. However, the said driver shall likewise be subject to quarantine.

(4) Any such pilot or driver under the provisions of the two immediately preceding subsections, shall be deemed to be a passenger for the purposes of Section 49 for whom the master, owner and agent of such vessel or motor vehicle shall severally be responsible.

(5) Any person guilty of a breach of subsection (1) shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

21 When required, vessel or motor vehicle to be brought to

(1) The master of a vessel, or the driver of a motor vehicle shall, on being so required by a quarantine officer or person in authority, bring the vessel or motor vehicle to, and shall by all reasonable means
facilitate the boarding of the vessel or motor vehicle by the City Health Officer, any personnel of the City Health Office, or any by the quarantine officer.

(2) Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

22 Limit in ports or impounding areas for vessels or motor vehicles subject to quarantine

(1) The master of a vessel or driver of a motor vehicle subject to quarantine shall not allow the vessel or motor vehicle to be brought into any part of the port or impounding area within the quarantine line.

(2) Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

(3) The City Mayor, upon the recommendation of the City Health Officer, City Veterinarian or City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officer, shall by Executive Order fix the position of the quarantine line for any port or impounding area.

(4) The procedures to be used in the designation of an impounding area or quarantine line shall be formulated in the Implementing Rules of this Ordinance.

23 Vessel to be brought to proper mooring ground

The master of a vessel subject to quarantine shall forthwith on arrival at or near a port, bring his vessel to a place appointed by the City Mayor by order to be a mooring ground or landing place for vessels subject to quarantine.

24 Master to deliver health report

(1) The master of an overseas vessel arriving at any port in the City of Bacoor shall, on being required so to do, make out and deliver to the quarantine officer a health report in accordance with the prescribed form signed by him, and, if the vessel carries a medical officer, signed by the medical officer.

(2) Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

25 Master to bring bill of health from overseas ports

(1) The master of an overseas vessel bound for any port in the City of Bacoor shall bring from its overseas port of departure and from every overseas port of call on the voyage and, on being required so to do, shall deliver to the quarantine officer a bill of health giving such information as may be prescribed in respect of the port and of
the sanitary circumstances and condition of the vessel and of her crew and passengers while at the port.

(2) Any person failing to comply with the provisions of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

26 Master/Owner and medical officer to answer questions

(1) The medical officer and the master of any overseas vessel arriving at any port in the City of Bacoor shall severally truly answer to the best of their knowledge all questions put to them or either of them by a quarantine officer touching the health of the crew and passengers of the vessel during the voyage, touching the sanitary condition of the vessel during the voyage, and touching the existence of any quarantinable or infectious disease at the ports of departure or call or on board any vessel communicated with, or touching the existence on his vessel of any rags or second-hand clothing or other prescribed articles, and the ports or places at which they were put on board the vessel. The master and medical officer of the vessel shall likewise give quarantine officers unrestricted access to all records and to all audio/video/computer files within the vessel. Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this subsection shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

(2) The owner, manager, supervisor, or officer in charge and medical officer of any business establishment situated in the City of Bacoor subject of quarantine shall severally truly answer to the best of their knowledge all questions put to them or either of them by a quarantine officer touching the health of the employees, personnel, clients, or customers of the said establishment, touching the sanitary condition of the establishment, and touching the existence of any quarantinable or infectious disease within the premises of such establishment. The owner, manager, supervisor, or officer in charge and medical officer of the business establishment shall likewise give quarantine officers unrestricted access to all records and to all audio/video/computer files within the establishment. Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this subsection shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

(3) Any questions under this section may be written or oral and the quarantine officer may require the answers to be given in writing or orally. The quarantine officer shall also have the power to administer an oath to any person subject of questioning under this section to ensure the truthfulness of such answers.

(4) Any declaration under this section may be taken before a quarantine officer and any person who makes any false statement in any such declaration shall be liable, upon conviction, to imprisonment for one (1) year.

27 No person to be allowed to leave vessel or motor vehicle subject to quarantine
(1) No person shall be allowed to leave a vessel or motor vehicle subject of quarantine. The master of a vessel or driver of a motor vehicle subject to quarantine shall not leave or knowingly or negligently allow any person to leave his vessel or motor vehicle, or knowingly or negligently permit any goods or items, or animals to be removed from his vessel or motor vehicle.

(2) Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (Php 3,000.00).

(3) In order to comply with this section the master of a vessel or the driver of a motor vehicle may detain any person, goods, or animals on his vessel or motor vehicle and may use any means reasonably necessary for that purpose which may include requesting police authorities to assist him in detaining such persons, goods, or animals.

28 Unauthorized persons prohibited from leaving vessel or motor vehicle

(1) All persons who, without the express authority of a quarantine officer, went on board a vessel or motor vehicle subject of quarantine shall not be allowed to disembark such vessel or motor vehicle without the express written consent of a quarantine officer.

(2) Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction to a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (Php 3,000.00).

29 Apprehension of persons liable to quarantine

(1) Any police officer or any authorised person may without warrant apprehend —

(a) any person who has in contravention of this Ordinance or any regulations made thereunder disembarked any vessel or motor vehicle, or left any impounding area, or quarantine area;

(b) any person subject to quarantine who is found in any place not being in or part of a quarantine station; or

(c) any person who entered a quarantine area, impounding area, or vessel or motor vehicle subject of quarantine without authority to do so by a quarantine officer, or by the City Health Officer, or City Veterinarian.

(2) Any person apprehended under this section shall be brought before the administrative officer in charge of a district or a quarantine officer who may, on proof to his satisfaction that the person so brought before him is subject to quarantine, order him to be taken to the vessel from which he has landed, or to the motor vehicle where he was a passenger, or to an impounding area or quarantine area to perform quarantine, and may by warrant authorise any police officer or other person to take him accordingly, or may order him to be dealt with in accordance with the Implementing Rules of this Ordinance.
30 Mooring/parking of vessels/motor vehicles from infected places

(1) A vessel or motor vehicle which has arrived at any port or place within the City from an infected place and not having a certificate of pratique shall be moored or parked in the port or area identified as a quarantine or impounding area in accordance with the directions of a quarantine officer or as prescribed under the Implementing Rules hereof or by Executive Order issued by the City Mayor.

(2) The master of a vessel or driver of a motor vehicle subject of quarantine shall not allow the vessel or vehicle to be moored or parked in any port or impounding area in contravention of this section.

(3) Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

31 Pratique

(1) After boarding any vessel or motor vehicle, not having a certificate of pratique, the quarantine officer shall forthwith, if he is satisfied that the vessel or vehicle is free from infection, give the master or driver thereof a certificate of pratique in accordance with the form prescribed.

(2) The certificate of pratique may be expressed to have effect in all places within the City of Bacoor or to have effect only in any specified places or to have effect only for a specified time.

(3) The certificate of pratique may be expressed to have relation to all or any specified measures of quarantine.

(4) Any quarantine officer who issues a certificate of pratique after receiving a bribe or any illegal consideration to do so, or who issued the said certificate without first performing a thorough inspection of the vessel or vehicle shall be deemed to have violated this section and shall be made liable, upon conviction, to pay a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (PhP 5,000.00), be terminated from employment by the City Mayor and shall be perpetually disqualified from being appointed in any capacity with the city government in addition to the filing of the appropriate criminal and administrative actions against him/her by the City Legal Officer.

32 Quarantine surveillance

(1) Where a vessel or motor vehicle has entered the City of Bacoor from an infected place or is subject to quarantine and the quarantine officer is satisfied that no person or animal on board is actually suffering from a communicable disease but is not satisfied that the vessel or motor vehicle is free from infection, he may, subject to this section —

(a) refrain from giving a certificate of pratique;
(b) permit the vessel or motor vehicle to proceed on her voyage without performing quarantine at a quarantine station without allowing it to pass through, landing at, or stopping in, the City of Bacoor;

(c) permit any passengers for that port and their effects to be landed who shall then be subjected to quarantine;

(d) permit any cargo on the vessel or motor vehicle for that port to be landed which shall then be subjected to quarantine; or

(e) order the conduct of contact tracing procedures or any other quarantine surveillance protocols/measures necessary to identify possible carriers of the pathogen/pest or prevent the spread of the contagion.

(2) The vessel or motor vehicle shall continue to be subject to quarantine until pratique is granted.

(3) If the master of a vessel or driver of a motor vehicle ordered into quarantine shall decline to submit to quarantine measures prescribed by the quarantine officer, such vessel or vehicle shall be permitted to proceed to sea or to proceed on land after disembarking its passengers and cargo (if any) and after receiving fresh foodstuffs or water under such conditions as the quarantine officer may prescribe.

(4) All persons, animals, or goods landed or disembarked in pursuance of this section shall continue to be subject to quarantine until such period as is prescribed, and while so subject shall be under quarantine surveillance and shall comply with the regulations relating to quarantine surveillance. Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this subsection shall be liable, upon conviction to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

(5) All cargo and passengers’ effects landed under this section shall be subject to treatment and disinfection as prescribed.

(6) Where a person or animal who came from a place in the Philippines or abroad where a quarantinable disease has been declared by Philippine or foreign health authorities to exist has entered, has worked, or has resided within the City of Bacoor after the existence of Public Health Emergency has been declared – that person may be required by any person in authority connected with the city government or by any quarantine officer to undergo quarantine surveillance and/or produce his/her passport (if a foreign national), travel documents or other similar or analogous records, and subject his/her person to testing and his place of residence or work for inspection. Any person who refuses to obey or comply to an order by a person in authority connected with the city government or by a quarantine officer shall be deemed to have violated this provision and shall be mandated to be placed in mandatory quarantine for at least fourteen (14) successive days under guard of police authorities until he/she complies with the said order. The place of
confinement of such persons and the duration of his/her mandatory quarantine shall be identified by the City Health Officer. **Provided that**: only a duly issued order by a court of law can void an order for mandatory quarantine issued by the City Health Officer.

33 Order to perform quarantine

1. A quarantine officer may, by order in writing, order into quarantine any vessel, motor vehicle, person or goods, whether subject to quarantine or not, being, or likely to be, in his opinion infected with a quarantinable disease or a source of infection with a quarantinable disease.

2. If a vessel, motor vehicle, person, or animal in the company of a person as a pet or as a cargo of a motor vehicle has arrived in the City of Bacoor from an infected place the quarantine officer shall, except as prescribed, be ordered into quarantine.

3. The order may —

   a. in the case of any vessel or motor vehicle and all persons and goods on board the vessel or vehicle, be served on the master of the vessel or driver of the motor vehicle; or

   b. in the case of any person, be served on the person; or

   c. in the case of any goods, be served on the owner, consignee or any person having possession or custody of the goods; or

   d. in the case of animals in the company of a person as a pet or as cargo of a motor vehicle, be served on the owner of the pet or on the owner, consignee or any person having possession or custody of the animals.

4. When the order has been served in accordance with this section the vessel or motor vehicle and all persons, goods, animals on board the vessel or vehicle or the person, animals, or goods as the case may be shall be deemed to be ordered into quarantine.

34 Vessels, vehicles, establishments having cases of communicable disease on board or within premises

1. When a vessel, motor vehicle, or business establishment subject to quarantine has on board or within premises any case of communicable (infectious) disease and a quarantine officer certifies that measures of quarantine are necessary to prevent the disease from spreading, all such measures for the disinfection of the vessel, vehicle, or establishment and all such other measures of quarantine as are prescribed or as a quarantine officer directs, shall be taken, and any persons suffering from or suspected to be suffering from the disease, or who have been exposed to infection from the disease, may be ordered into quarantine and may be removed to a quarantine station to perform quarantine.
(2) Persons or animals suffering from or suspected to be suffering from the disease shall be deemed to be subject to quarantine notwithstanding that the disease has not been declared to be a quarantinable disease.

(3) No persons or animals suffering from or suspected to be suffering from a communicable (infectious) disease shall leave the vessel, vehicle, or establishment without the written permission of a quarantine officer.

(4) No person who is in charge of any person suffering from or suspected to be suffering from any communicable (infectious) disease shall permit the person to leave the vessel, vehicle, or establishment without the written permission of a quarantine officer.

(5) When a quarantine officer has given a certificate in pursuance of subsection (1), the master of the vessel, driver of the motor vehicle, or owner/manager/supervisor/person-in-charge of the establishment shall not knowingly or negligently allow any person suffering from, or suspected to be suffering from the disease, or who has been exposed to infection from the disease, to leave the vessel, vehicle or establishment.

(6) Any person guilty of a breach of subsections (3), (4) or (5) shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00).

35 Master/Driver when so ordered to convey vessel/vehicle into quarantine

(1) When a vessel or motor vehicle is ordered into quarantine, the master or driver thereof shall forthwith cause the vessel or vehicle and all persons and goods on board the vessel to be conveyed into such quarantine station as the quarantine officer directs where quarantine can be performed.

(2) Where a vessel or vehicle ordered into quarantine has to be cleansed, fumigated, disinfected or treated in any manner, a quarantine officer may direct the vessel or vehicle be taken to any prescribed place for the purpose of being so cleansed, fumigated, disinfected or treated and the master of the vessel or driver of the vehicle shall cause the vessel/vehicle to be taken to the place accordingly.

(3) Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00).

36 When vessel, vehicle, person deemed to be in quarantine

A vessel, motor vehicle, or person ordered into quarantine, although not actually within a quarantine station, shall be deemed to be in quarantine.

37 Particulars to be given at the quarantine station

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(1) When the vessel, or motor vehicle, arrives at the appointed quarantine station, the master or driver thereof shall — on request — produce and deliver to the officer in charge of the quarantine station his passage list, bill of health, log, manifest, journal and other ship's/vehicle's papers.

(2) Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00).

38 Performance of quarantine by vessel

Every vessel or motor vehicle in quarantine shall, subject to this Ordinance, perform quarantine at the appointed quarantine station, and for that purpose may be there detained by a quarantine officer or any authorised person until released in accordance with this Ordinance and, while so detained, shall be subject to the regulations relating to the performance of quarantine.

39 Vessel in quarantine not to be moved except in accordance with Ordinance

(1) When a vessel or motor vehicle is in quarantine, the master or driver thereof shall not move the vessel or vehicle or allow it to be moved except in accordance with this Ordinance or any regulations made thereunder.

(2) Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

40 Removal from vessel/vehicle to perform quarantine

(1) For the purpose of the performance of quarantine, all persons, goods, or animals on board a vessel or motor vehicle subject to quarantine may be removed from the vessel/vehicle by a quarantine officer at any port or impounding/quarantine area, notwithstanding that the port is not their port of destination, and conveyed to and detained in a quarantine area there to perform quarantine.

(2) All persons removed from a vessel in pursuance of this section shall be entitled to be provided with free passages to their ports of destination forthwith after being released from quarantine.

41 Power to permit vessel to proceed on voyage

The City Health Officer or City Veterinarian may, if s/he thinks fit, permit any vessel or motor vehicle in quarantine to proceed on its voyage with its officers, crew, driver and/or passengers, or any of them, without performing quarantine at the quarantine area where the vessel or vehicle is. However, the vessel or motor vehicle and her officers, crew, driver and/or passengers shall not thereby be released from quarantine but shall, while within the City of Bacoor and until released from quarantine, be deemed to be in quarantine and shall, except as prescribed or as ordered by the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian, be subject to this Ordinance and any regulations made
thereunder to the same extent as if they were performing quarantine at a quarantine station.

42 Cleansing and disinfecting vessel, vehicle, or place

(1) A quarantine officer may order any vessel, motor vehicle or place in quarantine to be cleansed and disinfected in such manner as he directs and the master of the vessel, driver of the vehicle, or owner/person in possession of the place shall cause it to be cleansed and disinfected accordingly.

(2) Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

43 Goods not to be removed

(1) No unauthorized person shall be allowed to unload or release any goods, animals, or cargo on a vessel, motor vehicle, or place under quarantine.

Quarantinable goods not to be received

(2) No person shall knowingly receive or have in his possession any goods, animals or cargo landed or unloaded from any vessel, motor vehicle or place under quarantine in contravention of this section.

(3) Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (Php 3,000.00).

(4) In any prosecution under subsection (2) the burden of proving want of knowledge shall lie upon the defendant.

44 Performance of quarantine by persons

(1) All persons ordered into quarantine shall perform quarantine and for that purpose may —

(a) be detained on board the vessel;

(b) be detained upon the premises upon which they are found; or

(c) be removed to and detained in a quarantine station until released in accordance with this Ordinance or any regulations made thereunder, and, while so detained, shall be subject to the regulations regulating the performance of quarantine and the government of quarantine stations.

(2) No person ordered into quarantine shall commit any breach of the regulations regulating the performance of quarantine or the government of quarantine stations. Officers assigned at the Bacoor City Police Station or any official of the Liga ng mga Barangay may enforce this provision without need of any order from any quarantine
officer or from the City Health Officer, City Veterinarian, or the City Mayor.

(3) Where a person ordered into quarantine is not in the opinion of a quarantine officer actually suffering from a quarantinable disease, the quarantine officer may subject to the regulations release the person under quarantine surveillance.

(4) Any person subject to quarantine shall be under quarantine surveillance and shall comply with the regulations relating to quarantine surveillance.

(5) Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (P=5,000.00).

45 Release from quarantine

When quarantine has been performed by any vessel, vehicle, or person in accordance with this Ordinance and any regulations made thereunder, such vessel or person shall forthwith be released from quarantine.

46 Performance of quarantine by goods

All goods ordered into quarantine shall perform quarantine and for that purpose may be detained on board the vessel, vehicle, or place under quarantine or in an impounding area under guard of police authorities.

47 Goods ordered into quarantine to be treated and disinfected

(1) All goods ordered into quarantine shall be treated and disinfected as prescribed and when so treated and disinfected may be released from quarantine.

(2) If the quarantine officer in charge of any goods ordered into quarantine is of opinion that they cannot be effectively disinfected and ought not to be released from quarantine owing to the danger of infection, he may cause the goods to be destroyed: Provided that where the value of the goods exceeds Ten Thousand Pesos (P=10,000.00) this power shall not be exercised without the written approval of the City Mayor.

48 Unlawful damage by officer

Any officer who shall unlawfully destroy or damage any goods under his charge in the performance of quarantine shall be liable upon conviction to a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (P=3,000.00) and shall be required to pay the cost of the goods that were damaged by him.
PART V - EXPENSES OF QUARANTINE

49 Liability of master, owner or agent for expenses of quarantine

(1) The master, registered owner and agent of any vessel or motor vehicle ordered into quarantine or of any vessel or motor vehicle from which any person, animal, or item is removed to perform quarantine shall severally be responsible for —

(a) the removal of the passengers and crew to the quarantine station;

(b) the care and maintenance of the passengers and crew while detained at the quarantine station;

(c) the conveyance of the passengers from the quarantine station to their ports of destination;

(d) the medical surveillance of persons released under quarantine surveillance;

(e) the provision of such medical, nursing and other attendance on the vessel and at the quarantine station for or in respect of the vessel or motor vehicle as the City Health Officer considers necessary;

(f) the provision of such launch and patrol services and such supervision as the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian considers necessary to ensure the satisfactory performance of quarantine by the vessel and the persons and goods thereon; and

(g) shall supply to the satisfaction of the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian all such service, attendance, meals and other things as are required for those purposes, including domestic and laundry service, medicines, medical comforts, nursing and attendance for the sick.

(2) The master, owner or agent of the vessel or motor vehicle may arrange with the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian for the carrying out of any responsibility under this section and for the payment of the expenses thereof, but in any case the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian may take action if he thinks it necessary to do so, and any expense incurred shall be paid by the master, owner or agent of the vessel or motor vehicle to the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian, who shall forthwith remit any sum so received by him into the City Treasury: Provided that the City Mayor may direct that the expenses of carrying out any responsibility under this section shall be borne by the city government, and upon the issue of such direction the master, owner or agent of any vessel or motor vehicle to which the direction relates shall be exempt from liability for the expenses of carrying out that responsibility.

(3) A passenger shall not be liable to compensate the master, owner or agent for any cost incurred by the master, owner or agent
under this section, and any contract or stipulation purporting to impose any such liability upon him shall to that extent shall be null and void.

50 Liability for cost of disinfecting goods

The master, owner or agent of any vessel or vehicle ordered into quarantine or ordered to be cleansed, fumigated, disinfected or treated, shall pay all cost of removal of cargo or goods from the vessel or vehicle and costs incurred in the cleansing, fumigation, disinfection or treatment of the vessel or vehicle or of any goods or things taken from the vessel or vehicle.

51 Security for carrying out responsibilities

Before permitting any persons, goods, personal effects or things to leave or be removed from a vessel, motor vehicle, or place ordered into quarantine, the quarantine officer may require the master, owner or agent of the vessel, vehicle or premises subject of quarantine to provide security to the satisfaction of the quarantine officer that all responsibilities under this part of this Ordinance of the master, owner and agent of the vessel, vehicle, or premises in respect of those persons, goods, personal effects or things shall be faithfully carried out.

52 Liability of ship/vehicle/chattel owners as to pilotage, parking fees, warehousing fees etc.

The master, owner or agent of any vessel or motor vehicle, or the owner/person in possession of a place ordered into quarantine, shall pay to the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian all charges incurred by him in connection with the piloting or towing of the vessel, the parking or maintenance of the vehicle, or the warehousing of goods anywhere within the City of Bacoor. The City Health Officer or City Veterinarian shall forthwith remit any sum so received by him into the City Treasury.

53 Liability of ship owners as to expenses of passages

The master, owner or agent of any vessel or motor vehicle subject to quarantine, shall pay to the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian all charges and expenses incurred by him in providing persons, who were removed from the vessel or motor vehicle in order to perform quarantine, with transportation fares to their ports of destination. The City Health Officer or City Veterinarian shall forthwith remit any sum so received by him into the City Treasury.

54 Persons in quarantine able to support themselves

Any person detained in quarantine who is not one of the crew or passengers of a vessel ordered into quarantine, shall, if he is reasonably able to do so and is thereunto required by the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian, pay to the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian the cost of any food and medicines supplied to him and those dependent on him during their removal to or detention in
quarantine. The City Health Officer or City Veterinarian shall forthwith remit any sum so received by him into the City Treasury. In case the persons subject of quarantine are not capable of supporting themselves while in quarantine, the city government shall make available such funds as may be necessary to pay for the meals and other needs of such person/s.

55 Owner of vessel quarantined liable for services of medical officer.

(1) When a vessel is ordered into quarantine, the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian may —

(a) appoint a medical officer to take charge of the crew and passengers of the vessel while in quarantine; and

(b) fix the amount of remuneration to be paid to the medical officer for his services.

(2) The remuneration referred to in subsection (1) (b) shall be paid by the master, owner or agent of the vessel or motor vehicle to the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian. The City Health Officer or City Veterinarian shall forthwith remit any sum so received by him into the City Treasury.

56 Expenses to be a charge upon vessel

Any expenses or charges payable to the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian under this part of this Ordinance by the master, owner or agent of any vessel or motor vehicle shall be a charge upon the vessel or motor vehicle and the vessel or vehicle may be detained by a police officer until such expenses or charges are paid to the city government.

57 Recovery of expenses

Any expenses or charges payable to the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian under this part of this Ordinance may be recovered by action in any court of competent jurisdiction within City of Bacoor as a debt due to the city government.

PART VI - MISCELLANEOUS

58 Penalty for importing disease, germs, etc.

(1) No person shall, except with the written consent of the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian, knowingly bring into the City of Bacoor any noxious insect, any pest, or any disease germ or disease microbe, or any disease agent, or any culture virus or substance containing any disease germ or disease microbe or disease agent.

(2) Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) and shall be imprisoned for six (6) months.
(3) In any prosecution under this section, the burden of proving want of knowledge shall lie upon the defendant/accused.

59 **Forfeiture of goods unlawfully imported**

All goods imported in contravention of this Ordinance or any order thereunder and all hay, straw, fodder, litter, fittings, clothing, utensils, appliances or packages moved or dealt with in contravention of this Ordinance or any regulations made thereunder, shall be forfeited and may be seized by an officer or person in authority connected with the city government and disposed of in accordance with the regulations.

60 **Seizure of forfeited goods, etc.**

Any officer or person in authority connected with the city government may seize any goods subject to quarantine which are found outside a quarantine station and may convey them to a quarantine station.

61 **Powers of inspection**

(1) Any quarantine officer may board any vessel or motor vehicle, or enter any place or business establishment within the City of Bacoor, and may require any person on board the vessel or who are within the premises of the place or business establishment to submit to any prescribed examination, and may enter and inspect any part of the vessel, vehicle, place or establishment and all goods on board the vessel or vehicle or found within the place or establishment and may inspect the passenger/visitor’s list, bill of health, log, manifest, journal and other records of the vessel, vehicle, or place/establishment including any video, audio, or electronic data stored or collected within the said vessel, vehicle or place/establishment.

(2) The master of any vessel, driver of any vehicle, or owner/manager/supervisor of any place or establishment shall, if so required by a quarantine officer, produce to him for inspection the passenger/visitor’s list, bill of health, log, manifest, journal and other records of the vessel, vehicle, or place/establishment including any video, audio, or electronic data stored or collected within the said vessel, vehicle or place/establishment.

(3) Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (Php 3,000.00).

62 **Boarding vessel or vehicle/Entering premises**

(1) A quarantine officer boarding any vessel or vehicle or entering the premises of any place or business establishment may remain thereon for such time as he considers necessary or desirable and the master of the vessel, or the owner of the motor vehicle or of the place or business establishment shall, if required by the quarantine officer, provide suitable and sufficient food and sleeping accommodation for him.

(2) Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00).
(3) If the vessel or the motor vehicle is a passenger vessel or vehicle, the quarantine officer shall be entitled to all the privileges and accommodation extended to a first class passenger.

63 Muster of crew and passengers for inspection

(1) The master of every vessel shall, if so required by a quarantine officer, muster in the presence of the quarantine officer all passengers and persons on the vessel who are not prevented by illness or some other reasonable cause from attending the muster, and shall by all reasonable means facilitate the inspection by the quarantine officer of all persons on board the vessel. Any person guilty of a breach of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00).

(2) Every person on board the vessel shall unless prevented by illness or some other cause, proof whereof shall lie upon him, attend the muster.

(3) Every person on board the vessel shall answer truly to the best of his knowledge all questions asked him by the quarantine officer as to his health during the voyage and as to the likelihood of his having been exposed to infection before or during the voyage.

(4) Any person failing to comply with the requirements of subsections (2) and (3) of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00).

64 Quarantine officer may make inquiries at any time

(1) A quarantine officer may ask the master/driver/owner/manager/supervisor/person in possession or medical officer of any vessel, motor vehicle, or place/business establishment subject to quarantine any question he thinks fit to ask concerning any sickness on board the vessel or vehicle or within the premises of the place/establishment or the sanitary condition of the vessel, vehicle or place/establishment and the master/driver/owner/manager/supervisor/person in possession or medical officer shall to the best of his knowledge, information and belief truly answer the questions asked him by the quarantine officer.

(2) A quarantine officer may ask any person subject to quarantine any questions concerning his personal health or liability to infection, and the person shall to the best of his knowledge, information and belief truly answer the questions asked him by the quarantine officer.

(3) A quarantine officer may if he thinks fit require a person who has been asked questions in pursuance of this section to verify by statutory declaration the answers given to the questions.

(4) Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

65 Power to affix notices

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(1) A quarantine officer may affix any prescribed notice/s in relation to quarantine on any part of any vessel, motor vehicle, place, or business establishment subject to quarantine and on or near any quarantine station and on any goods subject to quarantine.

(2) Any person who removes, defaces, or otherwise interferes in the placement of such notices as provided in this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

66 Persons may be vaccinated

(1) A quarantine officer may require any person subject to quarantine or performing quarantine to be vaccinated or inoculated with any prophylactic or curative vaccine, and any person so required to be vaccinated or inoculated shall submit to be vaccinated or inoculated accordingly.

(2) A quarantine officer shall not require any person to be vaccinated or inoculated unless, in his opinion and in the opinion of the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian, vaccination or inoculation is necessary for the protection of persons subject to quarantine or performing quarantine or for the prevention of the spread of any contagious disease.

(3) Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00).

67 Trespassing on quarantine stations

(1) Any unauthorised person who—
   (a) enters or trespasses on any quarantine station; or
   (b) interferes with any goods subject to quarantine;

shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Five Hundred Pesos (Php 500.00).

(2) Any unauthorised person who enters any quarantine station while any person is performing quarantine thereon shall be subject to quarantine and may be detained at the quarantine station for the performance of quarantine.

68 Pilot to incur penalty on wrongly conducting vessel

Any pilot who shall, unless compelled by stress of weather or other reasonable cause, conduct a vessel subject to quarantine into any place other than the proper place for a vessel so subject, shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (Php 3,000.00).

69 Penalty for entering port other than first port of entry having disease on board

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The master of an overseas vessel who, knowing that a quarantinable disease exists on his vessel, suffers his vessel to enter a port other than a port declared to be a first port of entry, shall, unless he proves that it was necessary for the purpose of saving human life, be guilty of an offence and shall be liable, on conviction to imprisonment for one (1) year.

70 Cleansing and disinfection of unsanitary vessels

(1) A quarantine officer may, subject to any regulations made under this Ordinance, order any vessel, motor vehicle, place of dwelling, or business establishment anywhere in the City of Bacoor, which is in his opinion in an unsanitary condition favourable to the spread of communicable disease, to be cleansed, fumigated, disinfected or treated to his satisfaction, and the owner of the vessel, vehicle, dwelling place, or business establishment shall cause it to be cleansed, fumigated, disinfected or treated accordingly.

(2) A quarantine officer may, subject to any regulations made under this Ordinance, order any such vessel or vehicle to be taken to any appointed place for the purpose of cleansing, fumigation, disinfection or treatment, and the owner of the vessel/vehicle shall cause it to be taken to that place.

(3) The City Health Officer or City Veterinarian may order any vessel or motor vehicle in any part of the city to be taken to any area within the city for the purpose of cleansing, fumigation, disinfection or treatment, and the owner of the vessel or vehicle shall cause it to be taken to that place accordingly.

(4) Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this section shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00).

71 Offences as to documents

Whoever —

(a) forges any document under this Ordinance, or any official copy thereof, or the signature of any officer performing any duty under this Ordinance; or

(b) distributes, publishes, prints, or reproduces a forged document knowing it to be forged; or

(c) fraudulently lends any certificate or document issued under this Ordinance to any other person or allows it to be used by any other person;

shall be liable upon conviction to imprisonment for six (6) months up to one (1) year depending upon the discretion of the court.

72 Penalty for desertion

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Any person in authority connected with the city government or who is acting under or by virtue of this Ordinance who —

(a) willfully deserts from his/her duty; or

(b) knowingly and unlawfully permits any person, vessel or goods to depart from or be conveyed out of any quarantine station where they are detained;

shall be liable upon conviction to imprisonment for six (6) months up to one (1) year depending upon the discretion of the court.

73 **Bribing, assaulting, obstructing, or intimidating officers**

Whoever —

(a) gives or offers or promises to give or procure to be given any bribe, recompense or reward to any officer to induce him in any way to neglect or not to perform his duty; or

(b) makes any collusive arrangement with an officer to neglect or not to perform his duty; or

(c) by threats, demands or promises attempts improperly to influence an officer in the performance of his duty; or

(d) assaults or by force molests or obstructs or intimidates an officer in the performance of his duty;

shall be liable to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) and to imprisonment for one (1) year.

74 **Officers taking bribes**

Any officer or personnel of the city government or any person in authority under this Ordinance who —

(a) accepts any bribe, recompense or reward for or on account of any neglect to perform or non-performance of his duty; or

(b) makes any collusive agreement with any person to neglect or not to perform his duty;

shall be liable to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) and to imprisonment for one (1) year.

75 **Master or medical officer of vessel misleading quarantine officer**

Any master or medical officer of a vessel, or owner/driver of a motor vehicle, or owner/manager/supervisor/person in possession of a place/business establishment under quarantine who —
(a) willfully makes any false statement in answer to any question asked him by a quarantine officer under this Ordinance; or

(b) willfully misleads a quarantine officer in the performance of his duty;

shall be liable to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) and to imprisonment for one (1) year.

76 Maliciously ordering vessels, etc., into quarantine

Any quarantine officer who maliciously and without reasonable cause orders any vessel, vehicle, person or goods into quarantine, shall be liable to a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) and to imprisonment for one (1) year.

77 Aiding and abetting offences

Whoever aids, abets, counsels or procures, or by act or omission is in any way directly or indirectly knowingly concerned in, the commission of any offence against this Ordinance or any regulations made thereunder shall be deemed to have committed that offence and shall be liable to a fine of Three Thousand Pesos (Php 3,000.00) and to imprisonment for six (6) months.

78 Limitation of time for summary proceedings

All proceedings for the imposition of any penalty for any offence against this Ordinance, or any regulations made thereunder, shall be instituted within 6 months after the commission of the offence or within 6 months after the discovery of the commission of such offense.

79 Applicability of orders issued by national government agencies

Orders issued by national government agencies not inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be implemented together with this Ordinance.

80 Power to administer oaths or take declarations

All quarantine officers, who are authorised in that behalf by any regulations made under this Ordinance or by the City Health Officer or the City Veterinarian, are hereby authorised to administer oaths or affirmations and to take declarations in all cases in which any answers to questions asked in pursuance of this Ordinance are, by this Ordinance or any regulations made thereunder, required to be verified by oath of affirmation or declaration.

81 General penalty

Any person who commits an offence against this Ordinance for which no specific penalty is provided shall be liable, upon conviction, to a fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00).
82 Regulations

The City Mayor may make regulations not inconsistent with this Ordinance prescribing all matters which by this Ordinance are required or permitted to be prescribed, or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to this Ordinance, and in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power for —

(a) regulating the performance of quarantine;

(b) regulating and protecting quarantine stations;

(c) regulating or preventing ingress to or egress from any quarantine area and prescribing measures of quarantine within any quarantine area;

(d) regulating or preventing the removal of animals or goods from any quarantine area;

(e) requiring notification to a quarantine officer of each case of a quarantinable disease which arises in the City or within any specified part of the City or within any quarantine area;

(f) prescribing the precautions to be taken to prevent the ingress to or egress from a vessel of rats, mice, mosquitoes or other vermin or species or kinds of animals or insects liable to convey disease;

(g) prescribing the measures to be taken by the masters, owners or agents of vessels, vehicles, places of dwelling or business establishments to destroy rats, mice, mosquitoes or other vermin or species or kinds of animals or insects liable to convey disease which may exist on the vessels, vehicles, places of dwelling or business establishments;

(h) prescribing and establishing and maintaining on vessels, or within any quarantine area, of conditions unfavourable to, and to the migration of, rats, mice, mosquitoes or other vermin or species or kinds of animals or insects liable to convey disease, and fixing the time limit for the completion of any work necessary for the purpose of establishing such conditions, and empowering the City Health Officer or City Veterinarian, in case of default by the master, owner or agent, to carry out any such work at the expense of the master, owner or agent;

(i) prescribing the precautions to be taken by owners of vessels, vehicles, places of dwelling or business establishments to prevent the introduction into the City of Bacoor, or spread, of quarantinable diseases;

(j) regulating the discharge from vessels of any water, ballast or refuse;
(k) regulating the sanitary condition of vessels in ports;
(l) providing for the granting of certificates by quarantine officers in relation to any vessels, vehicles, places of dwelling, business establishment, animals, or goods examined or treated by them or under their supervision;

(m) prescribing the fees payable in respect of examinations services or certificates by quarantine officers and all quarantine services and the persons by whom the fees are payable;

(n) prescribing the movements of any person subject to quarantine;

(o) prescribing measures of disinfection, fumigation and other measures of quarantine which vessels, persons or goods subject to quarantine shall carry out or be subjected to;

(p) prescribing the conditions under which any prophylactic or curative vaccine or serum may be prepared and offered for sale;

(q) establishing and maintaining places, works and services for the sanitary control of aerial navigation, and prescribing sanitary measures to be taken in respect of international aerial navigation, either generally or in relation to specific diseases, in accordance with the provisions of any International Convention for the sanitary control of aerial navigation for the time being in force;

(r) authorizing barangay officials to assist in the implementation of this Ordinance;

(s) restricting the sale, purchase or distribution of various goods necessary to immediately address a public health emergency;

(t) restricting the prices of prime commodities pursuant to the provision of Republic Act No. 7581 (also known as the “Price Act of 1992”) and its implementing regulations; and

(u) regulating traffic within the City of Bacoor by land and sea, and prescribing measures of quarantine in relation to such traffic for the prevention of the occurrence or spread of communicable diseases.

83 Effectivity

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cavite and after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines.

84 Separability
Any provision of this Ordinance declared void by a court of law shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions hereof.

85 Implementing Rules

The City Legal Officer shall head a committee that shall formulate the Implementing Rules of this Ordinance. The said committee shall be comprised of the City Health Officer, City Veterinarian, City Administrator, the City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Officer, and by the Chief of the Bacoor City Police Station as members. The committee shall submit the draft of the Implementing Rules within thirty (30) calendar days after the effective date of this Ordinance. The City Mayor shall have ten (10) calendar days to either approve or disapprove the proposed Rules. Otherwise, the said Rules shall be deemed approved.

APPROVED this 13th day of February 2020 by the 4th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor in the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

I hereby certify that this Ordinance is true and correct and that it was duly approved in accordance with law.

Certified by:

HON. CATHERINE S. EVARISTO
City Vice Mayor

Attested by:

ATTY. KHALID A. ATEGA JR.
Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretary

Approved by:

HON. LANI MERCADO-REVILLA
City Mayor

Attested by:

ATTY. KHALID A. ATEGA, JR.
Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretary

Certified by:

HON. CATHERINE SARINO-EVARISTO
City Vice Mayor / Presiding Officer

Approved by:

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City Mayor