





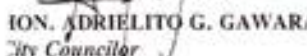
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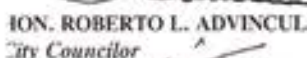

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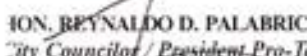

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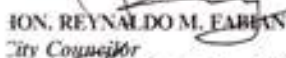

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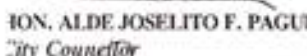
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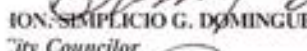

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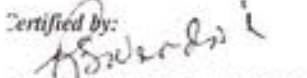

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**CITY ORDINANCE NO. 289-2023
SERIES OF 2023**

AN ORDINANCE REVOKING ALL LETTERS OF NO OBJECTION ISSUED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF BACOR, CAVITE TO OPERATORS OF E-BINGOS, E-GAMES, AND SIMILAR BETTING PLATFORMS FOUND TO HAVE VIOLATED RELEVANT NATIONAL LAWS OR LOCAL ORDINANCES, IMPOSING STRICTER REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF

Introduced by:

HON. MICHAEL E. SOLIS

Sponsored by:

Hon. Roberto L. Advincula, Hon. Adrielito G. Gawaran and Hon. Joselito Alde F. Pagulayan

WHEREAS, since 2015, the local government of the City of Bacoor, Cavite issued nine (9) letters of no objection to operators of e-bingo, e-games, and similar betting platforms doing business within the City.

WHEREAS, anonymous complaints received by the City Mayor's Office against the operators of the said establishments on the latter's alleged violations of various laws and city ordinances led to a thorough investigation of the records of the said businesses in the possession of various departments and units of the city government and how they operate.

WHEREAS, the said investigation revealed that the said e-gaming operators not only violated the said laws and ordinances but also served as a magnet that unduly attracted some of the economically depressed beneficiaries of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) to gamble using the financial assistance that they have been receiving from the government.

WHEREAS, the City Mayor requested the Sangguniang Panlungsod to pass a legislative measure that will not only regulate the way operators of e-bingo, e-games, and similar betting platforms conduct business within the City of Bacoor but also provide an effective deterrent to any future attempts at circumventing the law while protecting the poor and needy residents of the City from the fleeting pleasures of gambling pursuant to Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 (the "Local Government Code of 1991") and Section 11, (1) (v) of Republic Act No. 101060 (the "Charter of the City of Bacoor").

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AS IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the 5th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor, Cavite THAT:



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Section 1. Application, Scope, and Coverage. This Ordinance shall be applicable to all kinds of online betting games such as electronic bingo (e-Bingo) and electronic games (e-Games) that are regulated by the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR). This shall also cover all business enterprise utilizing remote gaming platforms and similar technologies that may be developed in furtherance of the foregoing.

Section 2. Definition of Terms. The following terms, as used in this Ordinance, shall mean as:

2.1. E-Bingo – an electronic way to play bingo with the use of touchscreens instead of paper cards and daubers.

2.2. E-games – any amusement, recreation, or games including games of chance using stand along video games, desktop computers, or other devices over the internet involving one or more players.

2.3. Remote gaming platforms – any online channel developed to allow players of e-bingo, casino games, and other games of chance to remotely access the said games and play or place bets over the internet.

2.4. "Games of chance" – games the outcomes of which, as opposed to games of skill, are affected by luck or some randomizing device such as, but not limited to, dice, spinning tops, playing cards, roulette wheels, numbered balls, or in the case of e-games – random number generation.

2.5 Traditional Bingo - is a game in which each player has a card with numbers on. Someone calls out numbers and if you are the first person to have all your numbers called out, you win the game.

Section 3. Revocation of all issued Letters of No Objection (LONO) for violation of laws or ordinances. All Letters of No Objection (LONO) issued by the local government of the City of Bacoor, Cavite to operators of e-Bingo, e-Games, and similar betting platforms within the said locality shall be revoked upon determination by the Office of the City Mayor that they have violated any relevant national law such as but not limited to National Building Code (P.D. 1096), Accessibility Law (B.P. 344), Fire Code of the Philippines (R.A. 9514), Health and Sanitation Code (P.D. 856), and Occupational Safety and Health Standards Act (R.A. 11058), and violation of any of the local ordinances being enforced in the City of Bacoor.

Section 4. Suspension of Business Permit. As a consequence of the letter of no objection mentioned in the immediately preceding Section, the business permits and other ancillary permits and clearances issued by the City Government in favor of operators of e-Bingo, e-Games, and similar betting platforms affected by Section 3 hereof are deemed **suspended**.



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Section 5. Stricter requirements for the issuance of LONO. In the application for business permit of e-bingos, e-games, and similar betting platforms, the LONO shall be issued only after submission to the Sangguniang Panlungsod of an application **under oath**, stating that:

(a) The applicant faithfully complied with all the relevant national laws with respect to the physical building and is supported by the following documents:

- i. Certificate of Occupancy;
- ii. Fire Safety Inspection Certificate;
- iii. Certificate of Annual Inspection, except when the building is newly constructed
- iv. Health Permit
- v. Tax Clearance on both land and building, issued by the City Assessor;

(b) The site for the physical building is compliant with the prevailing Zoning Ordinance of the City of Bacoor, at the time the application is submitted supported by a certification by the Zoning and Land Development Department;

(c) The applicant undertakes to install CCTV cameras within its business premises in accordance with City Ordinance No. CO27-2014;

(d) The applicant undertakes to comply with minimum labor standards and to:

- i. comply with Occupational Safety and Health Standards as required by Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Department Order No. 198 Series of 2018;
- ii. employ not less than 90% of its rank-and-file employees from residents of the City of Bacoor, in accordance with City Ordinance No. 235-2022;
- iii. register security guards with the Office of the City Mayor and the Bacoor City Philippine National Police (PNP) in accordance with City Ordinance No. 2013-018;
- iv. ensure that their employees undergo training on emergency response pursuant to City Ordinance No. 248-2022;
- v. Limit their hours of operation from 11:00 am to 7:00 p.m. only from Monday to Saturday; and
- vi. They shall not operate during Sundays and during official non-working holidays declared by the government so as not to prevent anyone from spending the said days with their families.

(e) The applicant has not been issued Cease and Desist Order following a Notice of Violation in the City of Bacoor;

(f) No child, student, government employee or official, or beneficiary of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program or



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any similar welfare assistance program are allowed to patronize or visit the said establishments;

(g) No establishment covered by this Ordinance shall be constructed or operated less than 300 meters of any educational institution (which shall include daycare centers and tutorial centers), places of worship, and government offices or facilities;

(h) The permit to operate to be granted to the applicant shall not exceed three (3) years; and

(i) Any misdeclaration or violation of the foregoing shall result in the automatic revocation of the Letter of No Objection applied for, without prejudice to the imposition of appropriate sanctions and penalties as may be provided by law or ordinance.

Section 6. Lifting of Suspension. All affected business under this Ordinance may apply for the lifting of business permit suspension after six (6) months from the effectivity of this Ordinance. After lifting the suspension, the permit procedure starting with the LONO as required by Section 4 hereof shall apply. However, the filing of such an application shall not mean that it will be automatically approved and the City Mayor shall have the sole authority on whether to approve or disapprove such applications in keeping with his/her duty to uphold the general welfare and to protect public morals and safety.

Section 7. Penalties. Any person having actual or constructive control in the operation of the business establishment covered by Section 1 of this Ordinance that has been found to have violated this ordinance or its implementing rules and regulations shall be meted with the penalty of fine of Five Thousand Pesos (PhP5,000.00) or Imprisonment of not more than one (1) year, or both at the discretion of a competent court of law. This is without prejudice to the application of the relevant provisions of City Ordinance No. 228-2022 otherwise known as "Uniform Implementation Procedure Ordinance of Bacoor".

Section 8. Repeal Clause. All ordinances, resolutions, and issuances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 9. Separability Clause. In case any provision of this Ordinance is declared void or unconstitutional by a competent court of law, the other provisions hereof not affected by such declaration shall remain valid and effective.

Section 10. Effectivity Clause. This Ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after it has been published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Bacoor, Cavite and after it has been posted on at least three (3) conspicuous places within the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

ENACTED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacoor, Province of Cavite this 16th day of June 2023.



Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod

I hereby certify to the truth and correctness of the foregoing Ordinance.

Certified Correct:


HON. ROWENA BAUTISTA-MENDIOLA
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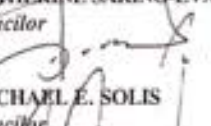

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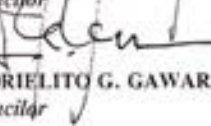
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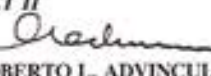

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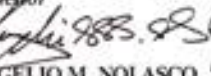

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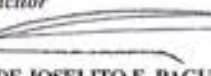
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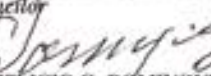

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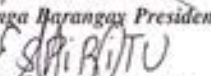

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