

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Ilocos Sur
VIGAN CITY

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Beach Resorts and Public Swimming Pools provide wholesome recreation for the residents and visitors and enhance the potential of Vigan as a tourist destination. However, safeguards must be adopted by owners/operators of these water-based public recreational centers to ensure the safety of their clients.

Towards this end, the Ilocos Sur Chapter of the Philippine National Red Cross passed Resolution No. 1, Series 2000 requesting all municipalities in the province to pass legislations that would require owners of water based recreational centers to assign at least two (2) of their personnel to perform life guarding and undertake a swimming and life course now being provided by the PNRC local chapter.

Likewise, the Provincial Governor, in his Memorandum dated March 30, 2000, enjoins municipalities in the province to impose, as additional requirement for the issuance of the Mayor's Permit to operate water based public recreational centers, the assignment of PNRC trained life guards in these facilities.

For and in consideration of the above premises, the proponent respectfully enjoins the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Vigan for the expeditious approval of this ordinance.

Ordinance No. 1
Series of 2001

“AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING OWNERS / OPERATORS OF WATER – BASED PUBLIC RECREATIONAL CENTERS TO PROVIDE A DULY TRAINED LIFEGUARD IN THE OPERATION OF THEIR FACILITIES.”

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Vigan, in session duly assembled that:

SECTION 1. COVERAGE – It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a water – based public recreation facility including public swimming pools within the territorial jurisdiction of Vigan that are not attended to by duly trained lifeguard.

In addition to the existing requirements, a certification from any accredited training center in life guarding shall be required before the issuance of a Mayor's Permit to operate a public recreational facility including public swimming pools in Vigan City.

SECTION 2. PENALTIES – Persons, partnerships or corporations found violating this ordinance shall be punished with a fine of One Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P1,500.00) for the first offense; Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) for the second offense and Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,500.00) for the third offense and/or revocation of the Mayor's Permit to Operate.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY PROVISION – All ordinances, executive orders found inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVITY – This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

Enacted on March 12, 2001.

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Approved:

(Sgd.) EVA MARIE S. MEDINA
City Mayor