

# Republic of the Philippines Department of Education Region VI – Western Visayas DIVISION OF AKLAN



Arch. Gabriel M. Reyes St., Kalibo, Aklan

June 21, 2017

DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 120 , s. 2017

# OBSERVATION OF THE THIRD FRIDAY OF AUGUST AS PROVINCIAL ARBOR DAY

To: Officer-In-Charge, Office of the Assistant Schools Division Superintendent Chief, School Governance and Operations Division

Chief, Curriculum Implementation Division

Education Program Supervisors/Coordinators

Senior/Education Program Specialists

Public Schools District Supervisors (PSDSs)/Principals/Head Teacher In-Charge of the District (PIDs/HTID)

Division Disaster Risk Reduction Management (DRRM) Officer

District Adopt-A-School (ASP) and DRRM Coordinators

Public and Private Elementary, Secondary and Integrated School Heads

Schools ASP and DRRM Coordinators

All Others Concerned

- Attached herewith is the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) 10176, also known as "An Act Reviving the Observance of Arbor Day by Authorizing the Local Government Units (LGUs) the Responsibilities for Celebrating the Day for the Tree Planting as an Annual Event."
- 2. Also, attached herewith is the General Ordinance No. 006, s. 2014, furnished by the Office of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to this Office on June 9, 2017, fixes every third Friday in the month of August of every year, starting this year and thereafter, as Arbor Day, herein this Memorandum called, the Event, in the entire Province of Aklan.
- 3. The Division Office, districts and schools are required to observe the Arbor Day in their respective levels as a day for tree planting activity which falls, for this year, on **Friday**, **August 17**, **2017**.
- 4. The Division Office, districts and schools have the option to conduct their tree planting activities at the Bakhawan Eco-Park **Mangrove** subject to their discretion on the following information:

**High Tide:** 

0705H

1.50 meters (above sea level)

1025

0.80 meters

Low Tide:

1527H

0.30 meters

5. The 2.5 hectares lot identified by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) near Jawili Beach is recommended to the District of Tangalan as their site for tree planting activity.

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- 6. The presence and participation of the Division, District and Schools DRRM Coordinators during tree planting activities is required to safeguard the safety of the participants.
- 7. Schools are encouraged to involve their respective stakeholders during the said Event.
- 8. Documentation and other modes of verification (MOVs) of the activities during the Event are advised to be reflected in the Sustainable and Eco-Friendly School program.
- 9. Travel and incidental expenses are to be charged to the local funds subject to the usual auditing rules and regulations.
- 10. Wide dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum is strongly desired.

For the SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT:

MICHAEL TORRES RAPIZ

Chief Education Supervisor School Governance and Operations Division In-Charge of the Division

Enclosure: General Ordinance No. 006, s. 2014

Reference: IRR of RA 10176

To be indicated in the <u>Perpetual Index</u> under the following subjects:

CAMPAIGN

CELEBRATION AND FESTIVAL

ENVIRONMENT/ECOLOGY

**PROGRAM** 

REFORESTATION

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LIPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT 10176, ALSO KNOWN AS "AN ACT REVIVING THE OBSERVANCE OF ARBOR DAY BY AUTHORIZING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS THE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CELEBRATING THE DAY FOR THE TREE PLANTING AS AN ANNUAL EVENT"

#### RULE 1 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Title - These rules shall be known and cited as the "Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 10176 otherwise known as the "Arbor Day Act of 2012".

Section 2, Declaration of Policy - It is hereby declared the policy of the State to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature. Towards this end, the vital role and importance of trees in ecological stability is recognized. Hence, there is a need for a collaborated effort between the State and its citizenry to combat the loss of our natural resources and rejuvenate our environment by undertaking nationwide tree planting activities and providing effective measures for their maintenance and sustainability.

It is hereby mandated that all provinces, cities and municipalities with their component barangays shall be required to revive, by appropriate proclamation of their respective local chief executives, an Arbor Day at appropriate fixed date every calendar year as shall be deemed suitable according to the proper time and season for planting trees in the respective provinces and their respective component municipalities or cities concerned. Although adoption of uniform dates for every province and its component municipalities and cities shall be encouraged, varying dates for Arbor Day celebrations may be permitted in order to afford flexibility in planning and in implementing tree planting programs to adjust to the proper time and period of the year most suited to the trees selected to be planted, and as local budgetary allotments shall allow.

#### RULE 2 - DEFINITION OF TERMS

Section 1. Whenever used in these Rules, the following shall refer to:

- (a) Arbor Day refers to a one-day activity of tree planting and other forms of relevant activities held annually at fixed date identified by each province, city or municipality.
- (b)LGU Greening Plan refers to the LGU's contribution to EO No. 26 or the National Greening Program (NGP), whereby specific activities relative but not limited to seedling production and tree planting are conducted.
- (c) Planting of Tree refers to the planting of perennial plant, either fruit bearing tree or forest tree that grows to a height of several feet including mangrove.
- (d) Maintenance of Tree refers to the nurturing of the seedlings after the planting until they are stabilized in the field.

#### RULE 3 - THE ARBOR DAY COMMITTEE

Section 1. Creation of Arbor Day Committee - There shall be created in every province, city and municipality in the country an Albor Day Celebration Committee to be chaired by the Provincial Governor, City Mayor or the Municipal Mayor, as the case may be, with the following agencies/stakeholders, whose responsibilities shall include but not limited to the following:

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#### (a) LOCAL SANGGUNIAN

- a.1 Enactment of an ordinance declaring the Arbor Day in entire province, city or municipality, as the case may be
- a.2 Appropriation of funds for the annual tree planting

#### (b) LOCAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

- b.1 Preparation of LGU Greening Plan
- b.2 Establishment and maintenance of nursery
- b.3 Planting site identification, characterization and preparation
- b.4 Maintenance of planting site
- b.5 Monitoring and Evaluation

#### (c) DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR)

- c.1Technical assistance in the preparation of the LGU Greening Plan; establishment of nursery and in seedling production; and site identification, characterization and preparation
- c.2 Social Mobilization
- c.3 Monitoring and Evaluation

#### (d) BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY(BPI)

d.1 Provision and distribution of seeds or seedlings to the LGUs for the Tree

#### (e) DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (DepEd)

- e 1 Information, Education and Communication
- e.2 Establishment of school nurseries
- e.3 Development and maintenance of school miniforest for rural areas or school green corners for urban areas
- e-4 Mobilization of all students who are 12 years and above to join tree planting activity outside school premises

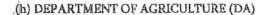
### (f) DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERRIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DILG)

- f.1 Information, Education and Communication thru LGU leagues
- f.2 Coordination with LGU on the promulgation of actual Arbor Day
- f.3 Social Mobilization
- f.4 Monitoring and Evaluation

#### (g) COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION (CHED)

- g.1 Information, Education and Communication
- g.2 Establishment of school nurseries
- g.3 Development of school miniforest for rural areas or school green corners for urban areas
- g.4 Mobilization of all students to join tree planting activity outside the school premises

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- h.lTechnical assistance in the preparation of LGU Greening Plan; establishment of nursery and in seedling production; and site identification, characterization and preparation
- h.2 Social Mobilization

#### (i) DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM (DAR)

- i.1Technical assistance in the preparation of LGU Greening Plan; establishment of nursery; and seedling production
- i.2 Social Mobilization

#### (j) DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS (DPWH)

- j.1 Provision of transportation in the hauling of seedlings and volunteer
- j.2 Assistance in the construction of access roads and trails to the planting site.

#### (k) DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM (DOT)

- k.1 Identification of tourism sites or potential areas requiring tree planting to rejuvenate the environment and enhance attractiveness of the site for nature tourism
- k.2 Promotion of eco-tourism program relative to the conduct of Arbor Day Gelebration

#### (I) PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP)

- Li Clearing operation of Tree Planting Site for possible enemy threats
- 1.2 Area security during tree planting activity
- 1.3 Road security before, during and after the tree planting activity

## (m) ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP)

- m.1 The AFP shall perform a supporting role to DILG in the implementation of Arbor Day or Tree Planting Day;
- m.2 The AFP shall support security and force protection effort of the local PNP during the conduct of Arbor Day or Tree Planting Day;
- m.3 The AFP unit shall conduct tree planting activities within the camps/base in support to the declaration of Arbor Day in their respective provinces, cities and municipalities; and
- m.4 AFP CMO Staff Officers on the ground shall be the AFP representatives as members in the Arbor Day Committee that shall be created in every province, city and municipality

#### (n) PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY (PGA)

n.1 Provision and distribution of seeds or seedlings to the LGUs for the Tree Planting Program

# (6) CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS (CS0)

- o.1 Mobilization of the local GSOs in the area
- o.2 Maintenance of planted trees
- o.3 Provision of logistic and/or services during the tree planting such as medical support among others

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#### SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN FEDERATION (SKF)

- p.1 Information, Education and Communication
- p.2 Mobilization of the youth sector

#### (q) LIGA NG MGA BARANGAY (LnB)

- q.1 Information, Education and Communication
- q.2 Mobilization of the community
- q.3 Establishment of barangay nurseries
- q.4 Maintenance of the planting site

#### (r) MEDIA ASSOCIATIONS

- r.1 Provision of public service announcements (PSAs) for the tree planting activity and related undertakings
- r.2 Conduct of Radio/TV hosting for the Arbor Day Celebration
- r.3 Media coverage of the actual tree planting

#### **RULE 4-ARBOR DAY**

Section 1. Proclamation of Arbor Day - All provinces, cities and municipalities with their component barangays shall be required to declare an Arbor Day or Tree Planting Day by appropriate proclamation of their respective local chief executive through an ordinance passed by the respective local sanggunian, at a fixed date every calendar year as shall be deemed conducive to the proper time and season for planting trees in the respective localities. Although adoption of uniform date for its celebration shall be encouraged, varying dates may be allowed in order to afford flexibility in the planning and implementing of the programs for the tree planting: Provided, That the Arbor Day designated shall be declared as a public working holiday in order to ensure the participation of the different sectors of society and such declaration may be embodied in the proclamation that local chief executives are authorized to do under these Rules.

Section 2. Funding - The local sanggunian shall provide for the allocation of resources pertinent to the implementation of this Act at their respective level which may be taken from the 20% of the Internal Revenue Allotment.

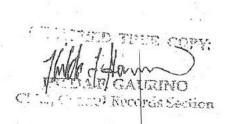
Section 3. Supply and Distribution of Seedlings – The BPI, in coordination with the PCA, shall supply and distribute the seedlings to the LGUs for the Tree Planting Program.

Section 4. Planting of Trees – All abled-bodied citizens of the Philippines, who are at least twelve (12) years of age, shall be required to plant and support the maintenance of one (1) tree every year.

Section 5. Areas Covered by Tree Planting – The local Arbor Day Celebrations Committee shall specify the area within the LGU to be planted or reforested. If the area to be planted or reforested is a protected area or a protection forest, the Committee shall encourage the use of endemic or indigenous species.

The tree planting activities shall be done in any of the following areas:

- (a) Public school grounds, gardens or other available areas within the school premises;
- (b) Idle or vacant public lands;
- (c) Public parks in urban and rural areas; and





(d) Private schools, parks and lands with the consent of the owner thereof.

#### Section 6. Maintenance of Trees.

- (a) Maintenance The barangay which covers the planting site and a deputized nongovernmental organization shall be responsible for the maintenance of trees. The province, city or municipality may also designate caretakers in the said area in coordination with the concerned barangay. School administrators, both in public and private schools, shall be responsible in their respective school premises. On the other hand, maintenance of trees planted in private lands shall be governed by a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).
- (b) Enabling Mechanism Every LGU shall ensure the protection, maintenance and preservation of the planted trees through the passing of an ordinance by the sanggunian concerned.
- (c) Fire Protection Local Fire Station, in cooperation with the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) and Fire Volunteers, shall conduct fire protection training as part of the maintenance of the planting site.

Section 7. Monitoring and Evaluation - The Department of the Environment and Natural Resources, in coordination with the Department of the Interior and Local Government, shall develop and adopt an appropriate monitoring system to be adopted by the local government units. Likewise, for information and monitoring purposes, all local government units (LGUs) shall submit to the DILG the actual date of the Arbor Day in their respective locality.

#### RULE 5 - FINAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Separability Clause - If any provision of these Rules or any part thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 2. Repealing Clause - All laws, presidential decrees, proclamations, executive orders or regulations and other issuances inconsistent with the provisions and/or purposes of these Rules are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 3. Effectivity - These Rules shall take effect upon approval.

RAMONT. PARAJE Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources

ROCESO LALCALA Secretary of the Department of Agriculture

> in replying ple cite this code : For Signature: S-06-13-0377

MAR ROXAS Secretary of the Department of the Interior

and Local Government

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Chief, Central Records Section







# Republic of the Philippines PROVINCE OF AKLAN KALIBO, AKLAN

# OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE TWENTIETH (20<sup>TH</sup>) REGULAR SESSION FOR CY 2014 OF THE 16<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF THE PROVINCE OF AKLAN (2013-2016) HELD ON JUNE 18, 2014 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SESSION HALL, PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, KALIBO, AKLAN.

#### PRESENT:

HONORABLE GABRIELLE V. CALIZO-QUIMPO
HONORABLE JOSE ENRIQUE M. MIRAFLORES
HONORABLE RAMON S. GELITO
HONORABLE ROBERTO M. GARCIA, JR.
HONORABLE NELSON D. SANTAMARIA
HONORABLE EMMANUEL SOVIET RUSSIA A. DELA CRUZ
HONORABLE RODSON F. MAYOR
HONORABLE LILLIAN Q. TIROL
HONORABLE PLARIDEL M. MORANIA
HONORABLE HARRY C. SUCGANG
HONORABLE APOLINAR C. CLEOPE

- Vice Governor, Presiding Officer
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- SP Member, PCL President

## ABSENT:

HONORABLE ESEL L. FLORES

HONORABLE STEPHEN Z. BOLIVAR

- SP Member-Western District
- On Official Business
- SP Member, President Liga ng mga Barangay
- On Official Business

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GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 006, S., 2014

"AN ORDINANCE FIXING EVERY THIRD FRIDAY IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST OF EVERY YEAR, STARTING THIS YEAR AND THEREAFTER, AS ARBOR DAY IN THE ENTIRE PROVINCE OF AKLAN PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10176, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "ARBOR DAY ACT OF 2012 AND ITS IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS (IRR)"



Page 2 of 3 Pages Gen. Ord. No. 006, S., 2014 Sangguniang Panlalawigan Kalibo, Aklan June 18, 2014

Be it **ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Aklan in session duly assembled that:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Arbor Day Ordinance of the Province of Aklan."

SECTION 2. LEGAL BASIS. This Ordinance finds legal basis in Republic Act No. 10176, otherwise known as the "Arbor Day Act of 2012" and its corresponding Implementing Rules and Regulations.

SECTION 3. ARBOR DAY IN AKLAN. Every third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Friday in August, starting this year and every year thereafter, shall be observed as Arbor Day in the entire Province of Aklan.

SECTION 4. LOCAL ARBOR DAY COMMITTEE. Local Government Chief Executives in the Province of Aklan are hereby mandated to constitute and activate their respective Arbor Day Committee in their respective level and jurisdiction with the Local Environment and Natural Resources Office, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources Office, Department of Education and the Department of Interior and Local Government as lead agencies.

SECTION 5. ROLE OF PARTICIPATING AGENCIES AND CIVIL SOCIETY. All participating agencies and instrumentalities are also mandated to undertake and implement their respective responsibilities and obligations as provided for in the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10176, such IRR is hereto appended and made an integral part hereof.

SECTION 6. PLANS AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES. Local Chief Executives, with the active assistance and cooperation of the lead agencies in the Local Arbor Day Committee shall craft plans and implementation strategies in the observance of the Arbor Day and the subsequent action plans thereafter as provided for by law. LCE shall cause the issuance of the required proclamation for the Arbor Day celebration as provided for in the IRR of RA 10176.

SECTION 7. APPROPRIATIONS. Local Government Units (LGU's) shall provide appropriations allowed by law for the observance of the Arbor Day in their respective jurisdiction, or charge expenditures for the purpose from any of their existing appropriations in their annual budgets, particularly those appropriations earmarked for environmental protection and enhancement.

SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE. Any existing ordinance inconsistent herewith are deemed repealed.

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**SECTION 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** Should any provision of this ordinance be considered inconsistent with existing national laws and issuances, the rest of the provisions shall remain in force and enforceable.

**SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY**. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED, JUNE 18, 2014.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

ODON S. BANDIOLA Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

JOSE ENRIQUE M. MIRAFLORES
SP Member-Western District

ROBERTO M. GARCIA, JR. SP Member-Western District

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GABRIELLE V. CALIZO-QUIMPO Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES
Provincial Governor



## Republic of the Philippines PROVINCE OF AKLAN Kalibo, Aklan

# OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR

# FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES Provincial Governor

# Series of 2015

"AN ORDER CREATING THE ARBOR DAY COMMITTEE OF THE PROVINCE OF AKLAN"

WHEREAS, the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act No. 10176, otherwise known as "An Act Reviving the Observance of Arbor Day by Authorizing the Local Government Units the Responsibilities for Celebrating the Day for the Tree Planting as an Annual Event", provides:

"Section 1. Creation of Arbor Day Committee - There shall be created in every province, city and municipality in the country an Arbor Day Celebration Committee to be chaired by the Provincial Governor, City mayor or the Municipal Mayor, as the case may be. x x x "

WHEREAS, General Ordinance No. 006, series of 2014, otherwise known as "An Ordinance Fixing Every Third Friday in the Month of August of Every Year, Starting this Year and Thereafter, as Arbor Day in the Entire Province of Aklan Pursuant to Republic Act No. 10176, Otherwise known as "Arbor Day Act of 2012 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR)", provides:

"Section 4. Local Arbor Day Committee – Local Government Chief Executives in the Province of Aklan are hereby mandated to constitute and activate their respective Arbor Day Committee in their respective level and jurisdiction with the Local Environment and Natural Resources Office, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources Office, Department of Education and the Department of Interior and Local Government as lead agencies."

WHEREAS, there is a necessity of creating an Arbor Day Committee in the Province of Aklan to combat the loss of our natural resources and rejuvenate our environment by undertaking tree planting activities and providing effective measures for their maintenance and sustainability;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of the Philippines, provides:

"Section 465. The Chief Executive; Powers, Duties, Functions and compensation:

# (a) XXX

- (b) For efficient and economical governance the purpose of which is the general welfare of the province and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of this Code, the provincial governor shall:
- (1) Exercise general supervision and control over all programs, projects, services, and activities of the provincial government, and in this connection, shall:

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(xvi) Call upon any national official or employee stationed in or assigned to the province to advise him on matters affecting the province and to make recommendations thereon; coordinate with said official or employee in the formulation and implementation of plans, programs, and projects; and when appropriate, initiate an administrative or judicial action against a national official or employee who may have committed an offense in the performance of his official duties while stationed in or assigned to the province;

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- (2)Enforce all laws and ordinance relative to the governance of the province and the exercise of the appropriate corporate powers provided for under Section 22 of this code, implement all approved policies, programs, project, services and activities of the province and, in addition to the foregoing, shall:
- (i) Ensure that the acts of the component cities and municipalities of the province and of its officials and employees are within the scope of their prescribed powers, duties and functions;

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(iii) Issue such executive orders for the faithful and appropriate enforcement and execution of laws and ordinances;

Now, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested on me by the foregoing, I, FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES, Governor, Province of Aklan, Republic of the Philippines, do hereby ORDER, the Creation of Arbor Day Committee in the Province of Aklan with the following composition and responsibilities:

Section 1. Composition and Responsibilities.

Chairman

Provincial Governor, Province of Aklan

Members

(a) Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Aklan

a.1. Appropriation of funds for the annual tree planting.

- (b) Aklan Environment and Natural Resources Office (AKENRO)
  - b.1. Preparation of LGU Greening Plan
  - b.2. Establishment and maintenance of nursery
  - b.3. Planting site identification, characterization and preparation
  - b.4. Maintenance and planting site
  - b.5. Monitoring and Evaluation
- (c) Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
  - c.1. Technical assistance in the preparation of LGU Greening Plan; establishment of nursery and in seeding production; and site identification, characterization and preparation
  - c.2. Social mobilization
  - c.3. Monitoring and Evaluation
- (d) Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI)
  - d.1. Provision and distribution of seedlings to the LGUs for the Tree Planting program
- (e) Department of Education (DepEd)
  - e.1. Information, Education and Communication
  - e.2. Establishment of school nurseries
  - e.3. Development and maintenance of school rainforest for rural areas or school green corners for urban areas
  - e.4. Mobilization of all students who are 12 years and above to join tree planting activity outside school premises
- (f) Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG)
  - f.1. Information, Education and Communication thru LGU leagues
  - f.2. Coordination with LGU on the promulgation of actual Arbor day
  - f.3. Social Mobilization
  - f.4. Monitoring and Evaluation
- (g) Commission on Higher Education (CHED)
  - g.1. Information, Education and Communication
  - g.2. Establishment of school nurseries
  - g.3. Development of school miniforest for rural areas or school green corners for urban areas
  - g.4. Mobilization of all students to join tree planting activity outside school premises
- (h) Department of Agriculture (DA)

h.1. Technical assistance in the preparation of LGU Greening Plan; establishment of nursery and in seeding production; and site identification, characterization and preparation h.2. Social mobilization

# (i) Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR)

- i.1. Technical assistance in the preparation of LGU Greening Plan; establishment of nursery and in seeding production; and site identification, characterization and preparation i.2. Social mobilization
- (j) Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)
  - j.1. provision of transportation in the hauling of seedlings and volunteer planters; and
  - j.2. Assistance in the construction of access roads and trails to the planting site
- (k) Department of Tourism (DOT)
  - k.1. Identification of tourism sites of potential areas requiring tree planting to rejuvenate the environment and enhance attractiveness of the site for nature tourism characterization and preparation
  - k.2. promotion of eco-tourism program relative to the conduct of Arbor Day Celebration
- (I) Philippine National Police (PNP)
  - I.1. Clearing operation of Tree Planting Site for possible enemy threats
  - 1.2. Area Security during tree planting activity
  - I.3. Road Security before, during and after tree planting activity
- (m) Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP)
  - m.1. The AFP shall perform a supporting role in the implementation of Arbor Day or Tree Planting day
  - m.2. The AFP shall support security and force protection effort of the local PNP during the conduct of Arbor Day or Tree Planting day
  - m.3. The AFP unit shall conduct tree planting activities within the camps/base in support to the declaration of Arbor Day in their respective provincies, cities and municipalities; and
  - m.4. AFP CMO Staff Officers on the ground shall be AFP representatives as members in the Arbor Day Committee
- (n) Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA)
  - n.1. Provision and distribution of seedlings to the LGUs for the Tree Planting program

# (o) Civil Society Organizations (CSO)

- o.1. Mobilization of the Local CSOs in the area
- o.2. Maintenance of planted trees
- o.3. Provision of logistic and/or services during the tree planting such as medical support, among others
- (p) Liga ng mga Barangay (LnB)
  - p.1. Information, Education and Communication
  - p.2. Mobilization of the community
  - p.3. Establishment of barangay nurseries
  - p.4. Maintenance of Planting site
- (q) Media Associations
  - q.1. Provision of public service announcements (PSAs) for the tree planting activity and related undertakings
  - q.2. Conduct of Radio/TV Hosting for the Arbor Day Celebration
  - q.3. Media coverage of the actual tree planting.

Section 2. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

**Section 3. Repealing Clause.** All Executive Orders and other issuances inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, modified and/or amended.

Done this 20th day of Markon 2015 at Kalibo, Aklan, Philippines.

Approved:

FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES
Provincial Governor



#### OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR

# FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES Provincial Governor

# EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 019 Series of 2017

## ORGANIZATION OF ARBOR DAY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10176, otherwise known as "An Act Reviving the Observance of Arbor Day by authorizing the Local Government Units the Responsibilities for Celebration the Day for the Tree Planting as an Annual Event",

WHEREAS, it is hereby declared the policy of the State to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, General Ordinance No. 006 series of 2014, otherwise known as "An Ordinance Fixing Every Third Friday in the Month of August of Every year, Starting this Year and Thereafter, as Arbor Day in the Entire Province of Aklan" pursuant to Republic Act No. 10176, Otherwise known as "Arbor Day Act of 2012" and its Implementing Rules and Regulations;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10176 mandates the creation of Arbor Day Committee in the Province of Aklan to combat the loss of our natural resources and rejuvenate our environment by undertaking tree planting activities and providing effective measures for their maintenance and sustainability;

**NOW THEREFORE, I FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES, Provincial Governor of** the Province of Aklan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law do hereby order and ordain the organization of Arbor Day Committee with the following composition and functions as follows:

# SECTION 1. COMPOSITION

Chairman:

Provincial Governor

HON. FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES

Members:

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# SECTION 2. FUNCTIONS

- All Committee members are hereby enjoined to lead in the tree planting activities through appropriate ceremonies;
- 2. All participating agencies, organizations, schools, and LGUs shall identify appropriate areas where they can conduct tree planting activities in coordination with agencies which have jurisdiction over such areas (e.g. Department of Environment and Natural Resources in the case of public forest land, Department of Public Works and Highways along roadsides of national highways, Department of Tourism for ecotourism areas and Local Government Units within their jurisdictions);
- 3. LGUs including barangays, schools, and the DENR shall establish and maintain nurseries to produce planting materials which shall be made available to participants. The maintenance and protection of the planted seedlings shall be the responsibility of the respective participating agencies/instrumentalities;
- The DENR is hereby directed to provide technical assistance to all participants for the Arbor Day Celebration.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Done this 21st day of March 2017 at Kalibo, Aklan, Philippines.

FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES
Provincial Governor