

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 34 SERIES OF 2023

AN ORDER CREATING THE MUNICIPAL THE GEOPARK MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING COMMITTEE, AND DESIGNATING MR. LEO PETARCO AS MENRO, AND THE HEAD OF THE GMMC OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TRINIDAD, BOHOL

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, Article fourteen, Section 484 also known as the Local Government Code provides that within their respective territorial jurisdiction, local government units shall ensure that Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officers shall be appointed in the Local Government units;

WHEREAS, the Bohol Island province was recently identified and declared by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) as the first UNESCO Geopark in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the Batongay Cave of the Municipality of Trinidad is included in the UNESCO GEOPARK Caving system of the Province of Bohol;

WHEREAS, there is a need to create the Geopark Management and Monitoring Team to ensure that the Batongay Cave UNESCO Geopark is maintained over many years;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ATTY. ROBERTO C. CAJES, PHD., Local Chief Executive of the Municipality of Trinidad, Bohol, by virtue of the power vested in me, by law, do hereby order:

SECTION L. Designation of Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer (MENRO).

Shall have the primary responsibility to manage, conserve, preserve, and protect the environment and natural resources of the Municipality. In addition, MENRO also supervises and monitors the following sections and its personnel assigned:

- a. Solid Waste Management
- b. Bantay Lasang
- c. Bantay Dagat
- d. Sand and Gravel Enforcement; and
- e. Geopark Management and Monitoring Team

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SECTION II. DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE MENRO. Shall perform the following duties and functions:

- a. Formulate measures for the consideration of the Sanggunian and provide technical assistance and support to the Mayor, as the case may be, in carrying out measures to ensure the delivery of basic services and provision of adequate facilities relative to the environment and natural resources services;
- b. Develop plans and strategies and upon approval thereof by the Mayor, as the case, maybe, implement the same particularly those which have to do with the environment and natural resources programs and projects which the mayor is empowered to implement and which the Sanggunian is empowered to provide;
- c. Be on the frontline of the delivery of services concerning the environment and natural resources:
- Recommend to the Sanggunian and advise the Mayor, as the case may be, on all matters relative to the protection, conservation maximum utilization, applicant of appropriate technology, and other matters related to the environment and natural resources;
- e. Supervise and conduct operations necessary to maintain and protect forests;
- f. Supervise, manage, and monitor activities in the Geopark Site;
- g. Monitor forest and forestland activities;
- h. Enforce forest laws, rules, and regulations;
- Be on the frontline of the delivery of services concerning the solid Waste Management Program;
- i. Intensify Information and Education Campaign on Solid Waste Management;
- Coordinate with government agencies and NGOs in the implementation of measures to prevent and control land, air, and water pollution with the assistance of the DENR;
- Conduct massive IEC campaigns which include the production and distribution of forestryrelated leaflets, signboard postings, and the like;
- m. Implementation of solid waste disposal and other environmental management system and services related to general hygiene;
- n. Maintain safe and efficient operation of the solid waste collection;
- o. Monitor all barangays on the implementation of solid waste management program;
- p. Monitor enforcement of fishery laws and ordinances; and
- q. Perform such other duties and responsibilities in relation to the designation and as may be assigned by the Local Chief Executive.

SECTION III. COMPOSITION OF THE GEOPARK MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING COMMITTEE (GMMC). The Municipal Geopark Management and Monitoring Committee (GMMC) is hereby created and shall be composed of the following members:

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: Mr. Leo G. Petarco

- MENRO Designate

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Geopark Manager

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Ms. Marcelo Empleo Engr. Peolito Orioque

Hon. Ricardo Boncales Hon. Antonino Cajes

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Hon. Joan Robie Cajes-imboy - Chair, SB Comm. on Cultural Heritage and Art - Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator

- Chief, PNP Trinidad Station

- MDRRMO - MBO

- MCDO Designate - LEDIPO Designate - Municipal Engineer

- PB, Barangay Sto. Tomas (Geopark Site) - Chair, SB Comm. on Environment

- PSDS, Trinidad | District - PSDS, Trinidad II District

SECTION II. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GMMC. Shall perform the following:

- a. Formulate Action Plan to maintain the development, competency, and effectiveness of the Geopark management system;
- b. Create livelihood opportunities for the community/organization through cooperation;
- c. Include the Geopark in the learning process and exposure of the students that includes educational tours and other activities;
- d. Managing visitors, like orientation and touring;
- e. Protect and promote all of the natural and cultural (tangible and intangible) heritage of the Geopark;
- f. Ensure that activities in the Geopark are meeting the safety criteria and will not destroy the diversity; and
- g. Propose budget and development in the Geopark.

SECTION III. GEOPARK MANAGER. The Geopark Manager shall have the following duties and functions:

a. Take charge of the overall management of the Geopark site within the LGU, from stakeholders and the local community's involvement in all activities of the Geopark making sure that the information given to the visitors is accurate and that the Geopark is safe, among others;

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- b. Takes charge of the marketing and promotions of the Geopark that includes scientific information and cultural relevance to the community;
- c. Takes charge of initiating, planning, and, implementing activities for the Geopark as approved by the GMMT and Bohol Island Geopark Management Committee;
- d. Ensure that all activities and other necessary update/information of the Geopark are documented, filed, and accessible to the public;
- e. Closely coordinate with the Provincial Geopark Management Committee;
- f. Ensure that the activities initiated by the Provincial and National Governments related to Bohol Island Geopark are implemented and well executed;
- g. Attend geopark-related meetings, training, seminars, and conferences; and perform such other duties and functions relative to the Geopark Manager position.

SECTION IV. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this order is held invalid, the other provisions not affected thereby shall continue.

SECTION V. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its Issuance.

Issued this 23rd day of June 2023 at Municipality of Trinidad, Bohol, Philippines.

ATTY. ROBERTO C. CAJES, PHD. Municipal Mayor

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