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Councilor Lucille T. Bacay	- Member
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Councilor Veil Charleo B. Cusi	- Member
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Councilor Elmira May V. Tarac	- Member, MSKF President

Absent:

Councilor John John S. Yason	- Member
Councilor Marietta R. Pajila	- Member

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**COMPREHENSIVE YOUTH WELFARE AND
DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF
ROXAS, ORIENTAL MINDORO PROVIDING FUNDS
THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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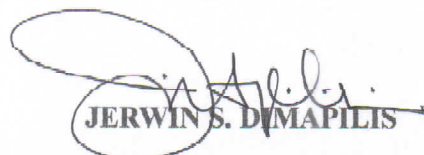
WHEREAS, Article 2 Section 13 of the 1987 Constitution states that, "the States recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation building shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being." It shall inculcate in the youth, patriotism and nationalism and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs;

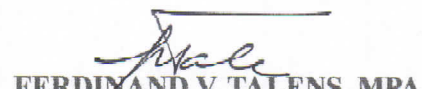
WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10742 also known as the Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015 has introduced innovations such as the institutionalization of a Local Youth Development Council, creation of a youth affairs office, establishing mandatory training and providing an anti-political dynasty provision among others;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 8044 otherwise known as the "Youth in Nation Building Act of 1995" creates the structures to implement a comprehensive and coordinated program for the youth and gives recognition to the youth's responsibility in fulfilling their vital role in nation-building;

WHEREAS, the development and welfare of the youth sector in the Municipality of Roxas in terms of promotion of their well-being and total development, and their protection from exploitation, abuse, hazards and other circumstances prejudicial to their physical, mental, emotional, social and moral development are priorities of the Municipal Government;


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WHEREAS, in the municipality's pursuit for progress and development, the youth sector must be fully assimilated in the mainstream so as to ensure an improved quality of life and youth-friendly environment where there are guarantees for educational opportunities, economic privileges, civil and political rights;

WHEREAS, it is a declared policy of the Municipality of Roxas to promote and protect the physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, cultural and social well-being of the youth and to inculcate in them values of patriotism and nationalism and to encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs of the municipality;

WHEREAS, it is vital to institutionalize youth participation in the local government recognizing the diversity of the youth sectors and towards this end, encourage them to actively participate and be involved in the crafting and monitoring of the policies of the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan, that:

ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1. TITLE. This ordinance shall be cited and known as the "**Roxas Youth Code of 2023.**"

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.

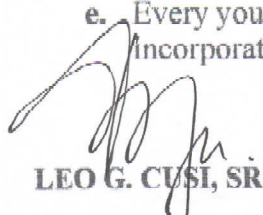
(a) The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs. Towards this end, the State shall establish adequate, effective, responsive and enabling mechanism and support systems that will ensure the meaningful participation of the youth in local governance and nation-building.

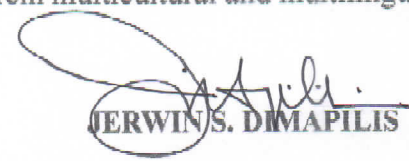
(b) The Local Government of Roxas recognizes the vitality of youth involvement in the decision-making process on the various issues affecting them and towards this end, the local government shall ensure adequate and meaningful participation be afforded to them in both executive and legislative functions;

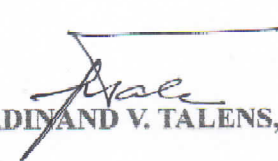
(c) The Local Government of Roxas recognizes the important role of the private youth organizations composed of various sectors and shall ensure that a rights-based and economic-based approach in development be integrated in the various process and regulations of the municipality.

SECTION 3. GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR THE YOUTH.

- a. The rights of the youth as stipulated in the Constitution and other laws shall be upheld at all times;
- b. Every youth has the right to be informed of his/her inherent rights as stipulated in the Constitution and other related laws;
- c. Every youth has the right to bodily integrity and to the means necessary for the proper development of life, particularly food, clothing, shelter, medical care, rest and the necessary social services;
- d. Every youth has the right not to be discriminated, intimidated, abused, bullied or humiliated;
- e. Every youth has the right to quality and responsive education from nursery to tertiary level, incorporating therein multicultural and multilingual curricula.


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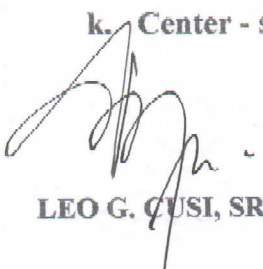
- f. Every youth has the right to freely and fully participate in the political processes of his/her community and country;
- g. Every youth has the right to economic development based on the precepts of justice and equity;
- h. Every youth right is coupled with a moral and legal obligation that must be fulfilled;
- i. Every youth has the right to exercise freedom of religion and culture; and
- j. Every youth has the right to a decent job at a liveable wage and provided with other additional compensations and benefits provided by laws.

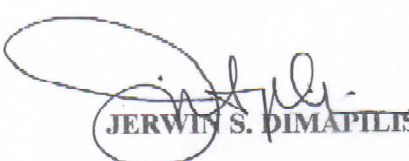
SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS.

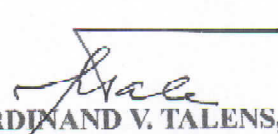
- a. **Youth** - shall refer to those persons whose ages range from fifteen (15) to thirty (30) years old as defined in Republic Act No. 8044. For purpose of targeted programming for the youth, the age disaggregation shall be considered:

15 to 17	-	child youth
18 to 24	-	core youth
25 to 30	-	adult youth

- b. **Working Youth** - shall refer to all youth whose ages range from 18-30 years and who are employed either on a regular or temporary basis;
- c. **Out-of-School Youth** - shall refer to all youth of school age, whether organized or not, who are unable to avail of the formal school system or who have dropped out from formal elementary, secondary, tertiary or vocational education;
- d. **In-School Youth** - shall refer to all youth of school age, whether organized or not, presently enrolled with any educational, vocational institution, which include but not limited to the following school organizations (academic or non-academic), student government, fraternities and sororities;
- e. **Special Advocacy-Based Youth** - shall refer to any youth organization whose primary purpose is to serve youth with particular needs namely, youth with disabilities, youth in situations of armed conflict, victims of natural disaster and calamities, youth offenders, delinquent youth, LGBTQ youth, drug dependent youth, street youth, abused/exploited youth and abandoned/neglected youth among others;
- f. **Faith-based Youth** - shall refer to all youth organizations organized under the rules and regulations of a religious institution and recognize as such;
- g. **The Cultural Identity-based youth** - shall refer to youth organizations whose primary purpose is to advance the cultural identity of the Mangyan Indigenous people;
- h. **Community-based Youth** - shall refer to organizations whose majority of membership are youth residing in the particular barangay or contiguous area and whose advocacy centers on serving the youth in that particular area;
- i. **Council** - shall refer to the Local Youth Development Council or LYDC;
- j. **Commission** - shall refer to the National Youth Commission;
- k. **Center** - shall refer to the Youth Center;


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- l. Roxas Youth Code** - is intended for the strengthening of the Youth, Local Youth Development Office, Local Youth Development Council, and Sangguniang Kabataan for youth development;
- m. LYDP** - shall refer to Local Youth Development Plan;
- n. LYDO** - shall refer to Local Youth Development Officer;
- o. PYDP** - shall refer to Philippine Youth Development Plan;
- p. LCE** - shall refer to Local Chief Executive;
- q. SK** - shall refer to Sangguniang Kabataan.

ARTICLE II. LOCAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN

SECTION 5. The Local Youth Development Plan is a municipal youth development plan initially drafted by the SK Municipal Federation, finalized by the Local Youth Development Council, approved by the local Sanggunian and anchored on the Philippine Youth Development Plan (PYDP) and local development plans of the local government unit concerned.

This shall be submitted to the LCE for inclusion in the Local Development Plan and subsequently endorsed to the Sanggunian.

These plans shall give priority to programs, projects, and activities that will promote and ensure the meaningful youth participation in nation-building, sustainable youth development and empowerment, equitable access to quality education, environmental protection, climate change adaptation, disaster risk reduction and resiliency, youth employment and livelihood, health and anti-drug abuse, gender sensitivity, social protection, capability building and sports development.

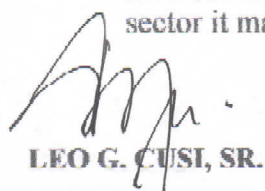
ARTICLE III. THE LOCAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

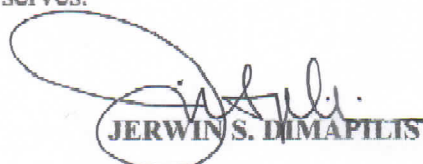
SECTION 6. Creation.

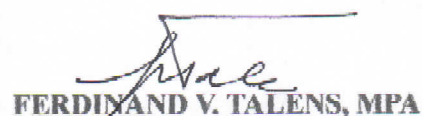
a) To ensure wide and multi-sectorial youth participation in local governance, there shall be created the Local Youth Development Council which shall be called the "LYDC" for brevity. The LYDC shall be headed by the concerned Pederasyon ng SK President, co-chaired by the Sectoral Chairperson and composed of representatives of youth and youth-serving organizations in the municipal level. The LYDC shall assist in the planning and execution of projects and programs of its member organizations, and the SK.

b) Formal Organization of Non-Organized Youth — to give equal opportunity for the youth, from the time of the enactment of this ordinance and up to the deadline for registration set by the Commission and DILG, non-organized youth groups may formally organize themselves and register in accordance with paragraph D of this provision.

c) Composition of the Youth Organization and Youth Serving Organization — Youth Organization is an organization with members entirely composed of the youth, whose ages range from fifteen (15) to thirty (30) years old with a core advocacy that serves the youth. On the other hand, Youth Serving Organization is an organization with the same core advocacy but whose members are not entirely composed of the youth, which may include civil society organizations. The Youth Serving Organization shall determine which youth sector it mainly serves.


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d) Local Registration of Youth Organization and Youth Serving Organization — all youth organization and youth serving organizations, with a minimum of ten (10) members in good standing and which are operating in the Municipality of Roxas shall be registered in the Local Youth Development Office.

e) Local Verification of Youth Organization and Youth Serving Organization - The Local Youth Development Officer shall verify the registration information provided by these organizations. The officer shall then send a list of registered and verified youth organizations and youth serving organizations to the National Youth Commission.

f) Renewal, Verification and Continuing Local Registration — Registered youth and youth serving-organizations shall renew their local registration and verification every three years. The LYDO shall conduct a continuing registration procedure taking into consideration the budgetary and manpower requirements and the presence of youth and youth-serving organizations.

g) Condition Precedent— local registration and verification of youth organization and youth serving organization is a condition precedent for participation in the LYDC elections. However, if a youth organization or youth-serving organization is denied local registration and verification, such organization can apply for special registration and verification to the National Youth Commission as provided for by law. Such special registration and verification entitles the organization to participate in the LYDC elections.

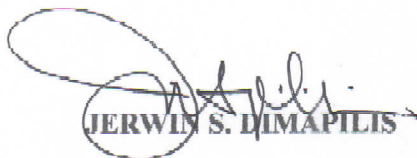
h) Qualifications of the Members of the LYDC — a member of the LYDC must be a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of the Municipality of Roxas, Province of Oriental Mindoro, for not less than one year immediately preceding the day of her/his election to the LYDC. She/he should be at least 15 years, but not more than thirty (30) years of age on the day of his/her election to the council, able to read and write, Filipino, English, or the local dialect and must not have been convicted by final judgment of any crime involving moral turpitude.

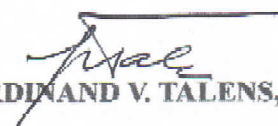
i) Composition of the LYDC — The LYDC shall be composed of 15 members including the 2 core members from the SK. The two (2) core members shall be composed of the president and the vice-president of the SK Pederasyon and shall be supported by 15 other representatives from the various youth sectors. The following shall be the maximum allocation of representatives from each of the different sectors:

Chairperson:	SK Municipal Federation President
Vice Chairperson:	SK Municipal Federation Vice President
Members:	Three (3) from the In-School Youth sector Three (3) from the Out-of School Youth sector Three (3) from the special advocacy-based youth sector Three (3) from community-based youth Three (3) from cultural identity-based youth
Secretariat:	Local Youth Development Officer

j) Manner of Election — within forty-five (45) days after the SK elections, the LYDO shall notify all the presidents or authorized representatives of the registered youth organizations and of youth serving organizations in the municipality, assemble them in a public venue, and by consensus per or secret balloting per youth sector. These representatives shall serve for a term of three (3) years as members of the LYDC.


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