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Councilor Robert A. Baticos	- Member
Councilor Hermis S. Catapang	- President, Liga ng Barangay
Councilor Sheikinah Grace C. Sanz	- Member, MSKF President

Absent:

Councilor Lucille T. Bacay	- Member
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Councilor Marietta R. Pajila	- Member
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**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING GINTONG KABATAAN
AWARDS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ROXAS,
ORIENTAL MINDORO, PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE
PURPOSE THEREOF**

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WHEREAS, Section 13, Article II of the Philippine Constitution provides: 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;

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WHEREAS, it is a declared policy of the State under Section 2 of Republic Act No. 10742, otherwise known as the "Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015," that the state shall establish adequate, effective, responsive and enabling mechanisms and support systems that will ensure the meaningful participation of the youth in local governance and nation-building;

WHEREAS, through the years, the Municipality of Roxas has made a long-standing commitment to ensure the formation of progressive and transformative youth leaders and affirm their vital role in local governance and nation-building as we institutionalized the Local Youth Development Council and the Local Youth Development Office, through the Municipal Ordinance No. 02-2019, and Municipal Ordinance No. 18-2023, the Roxas Youth Code;

WHEREAS, in order to ensure good governance at the level of youth governance institutions such as the Sangguniang Kabataan, student governments, youth organizations and youth-serving organizations, it is imperative that all shall espouse the highest standard of public service, taking into consideration the elements of good governance such as transparency, accountability, participation, effectiveness and efficiency, inclusivity and equity, responsiveness, and sustainability;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 8(h) of Republic Act No. 10742, as adapted, expounded, and contextualized by the Municipal Ordinance No. 18-2023, the Roxas Youth Code, provides that the Sangguniang Kabataan, together with the other youth governance institutions, shall prepare plans and execute programs, projects, and activities in the fields of good governance, community health, quality education, active citizenship, economic empowerment, arts and culture, agriculture and environment, sports development, peace-building and security, and spiritual formation;

WHEREAS, at present, there exists no established mechanism that would serve as an assessment tool appropriately suited for youth-centered initiatives, conducted by these youth governance institutions, most especially the independent Sangguniang Kabataan system of administrative governance, planning, and execution of SK programs, projects, activities, and even policies;

WHEREAS, the idealism in governance of these new breed of next-generation community leaders is highly laudable and truly deserves appropriate recognition as they apply resourceful and dynamic means that are indeed worthy of emulation:

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Roxas deems it proper to formally recognize and set a standard of excellence in the implementation of genuine youth development and empowerment efforts through the establishment of the Gintong Kabataan Awards for the Sangguniang Kabataan, student governments, youth organizations and youth-serving organizations, so as to realize the aforementioned objectives and likewise achieve the targeted Local Youth Development Plan (LYDP), in line with the Philippine Youth Development Plan (PYDP) and the local development plans of the Municipality of Roxas.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Roxas, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE – This ordinance shall be known and cited as the "Gintong Kabataan Awards Ordinance in the Municipality of Roxas."

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY – The future of the "Pride of Roxas" is bound to be stewarded by the young leaders that we create today. It is hereby declared as a policy of the Municipality of Roxas to enable, uphold, and elevate to the highest standard of service

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the Sangguniang Kabataan, student governments, and youth and youth-serving organizations and young individuals that value the elements of good governance (transparency, accountability, people participation, and responsiveness) in an institutionalized mechanism. Pursuant to this policy, the Municipality shall establish an award, incentive, honor, recognition, and merit-based program for all aforementioned in the municipality. The activity should be held in August every three years, in accordance with the Gintong Kabataan Povincial level.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS – As used in this ordinance, the following terms are hereby defined:

- a) Youth – Refers to those persons whose age ranges from fifteen (15) to thirty (30) years old, as provided under Republic Act No. 8044.
- b) Gintong Kabataan Awards (GKA) – A merit-based recognition program that acknowledges and rewards the exemplary performance of Sangguniang Kabataan officials, student governments, youth and youth-serving organizations in the Municipality of Roxas.
- c) Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) – The youth council established in every barangay, as mandated by Republic Act No. 10742, otherwise known as the Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015.
- d) Youth Organization (YO) – It shall refer to those organizations whose membership/composition are youth. They must be either YORP-registered organizations under the National Youth Commission, or registered under the Roxas Youth Development Office.
- e) Youth-serving Organization (YSO) – It shall refer to those organizations or institutions whose principal programs, projects, and activities are youth-oriented and youth-related. They must be either YORP-registered organizations under the National Youth Commission, or registered under the Roxas Youth Development Office.
- f) Student Government or Student Council – The highest governing student body in a school, college, or university. It is a collective term that refers to the representatives of students entrusted and authorized to implement pertinent policies, programs, projects, and activities for the student. For the purpose of this ordinance, all student governments from private institutions must be duly endorsed, in writing, by their respective Office of Student Affairs or its counterpart.

SECTION 4. COVERAGE – All SK's, duly endorsed student governments (both public and private), registered Yos and Ysos, and individual youth (ages 15-30) within the territorial jurisdiction of the twenty (20) barangays of the Municipality of Roxas shall be covered by the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. CRITERIA – The Gintong Kabataan Awards (GKA) shall be awarded to all those stated in Section 4 of this Ordinance, who is/are able to achieve a satisfactory rating given by the GKA Assessment Team that should be align with the thrusts of the Municipality, its Local Youth Development Plan and Philippine Youth Development Plan.

SECTION 6. REQUISITES TO QUALIFY FOR GINTONG KABATAAN AWARDS (GKA) – A youth governance institution, which, according to the assessment of the Gintong Kabataan Awards (GKA) Performance Assessment Team, complies, qualifies, and passes all assessment criteria as provided in Section 5 of this Ordinance, shall be conferred and awarded the Gintong Kabataan Awards (GKA) and be granted corresponding incentive as provided under section 11 of this Ordinance.

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SECTION 7. RULES OF INTERPRETATION – In order to ensure and preserve the prestige of the GKA, in the interpretation of the provisions of this Ordinance, all definitions of the criteria and all rules and regulations pursuant to this Ordinance shall be strictly construed against the youth governance institutions. It shall be their burden to show that it qualifies for the Gintong Kabataan Awards (GKA).

SECTION 8. THE ADVISORY BOARD – The advisory board shall provide strategic guidance, oversight, and expertise, working closely with the PAT, mentioned in section 9 of this Ordinance, to develop robust evaluation criteria, performance metrics, and monitor the overall implementation of the Gintong Kabataan Awards (GKA) The members of the GKA board shall consist of the following:

- a) Municipal Mayor
- b) Municipal Local Government Operations Officer (MLGOO)
- c) Local Youth Development Officer
- d) Committee on Youth and Sports Vice Chair and Members
- e) Schools District Supervisor, Department of Education - Roxas District (DepEd)
- g) Municipal Youth Mayor

SECTION 9. CREATION OF THE GINTONG KABATAAN AWARDS (GKA) PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT TEAM (PAT) – There is hereby created a Performance Assessment Team, chaired by the Municipal Vice Mayor and Co-Chaired by SB Vice-Chairperson on the Committee on Youth and Sports Development. The membership of PAT may be augmented as determined by the Board. The PAT shall consist of the following members:

- a) Local Youth Development Office (LYDO), who shall act as the Secretariat
- b) SB Chairperson on Committee on People's Organization
- c) President, Liga ng mga Barangay
- d) Municipal Administrator
- e) Head of Office, Municipal Planning and Development Office (MPDO)
- f) Head of Office, Municipal Accounting office (MAO)
- g) Head Office, Municipal Budget Office

SECTION 10. AWARDING OF THE GINTONG KABATAANG ROXASEÑO – A generalized special awards category that shall be conferred to only one Young Roxaseño with notable and outstanding programs, projects and activities in the following Advocacy Directional Areas (ADA):

- a) Leadership** - Encouraging young people to become responsible, and capable leaders.
- b) Sports** - Encouraging young people to be physically active, collaborate with others, and be good sportsmen.
- c) Quality Education** - Promoting access to formal, informal, and alternative learning opportunities.
- d) Active Citizenship** - Promoting community service, volunteerism, and social engagement.
- e) Economic Empowerment** - Providing young people with possibilities for enterprise, livelihood, and skill development.
- f) Arts and Culture** - Promoting self-expression and creativity while conserving cultural heritage.

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