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Province of Isabela  
MUNICIPALITY OF PALANAN

SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN  
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### OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

Literal copy of Municipal Ordinance No. 2017- 14 approved by the Sangguniang Bayan of Palanan, Isabela in its Regular Session on August 14, 2017 held at the SB Session Hall.

#### **ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (NHIP) IN ACCORDANCE WITH REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7875 AS FURTHER AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10606, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACT OF 2013.**

**WHEREAS**, Section II, Article XIII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution declares that the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health Development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other services available to all people at affordable cost;

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provide that "every Local Government Unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted those necessarily implied therfrom XXX and those which essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, Local Government Units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, XXX maintain peace and order and ppreserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants";

**WHEREAS**, Section 4 of RA No. 10606, otherwise known as the National Health Insurance Act of 2013, amending Section 6 of RA No. 7875, as amended by RA No. 9241, on mandatory coverage provides that, "all citizens of the Philippines shall be covered by the National Health Insurance Program XXX provided. That the Program shall be compulsory in all Provinces, Cities and Municipalities nationwide, notwithstanding the existence of LGU-based Health Insurance Programs; Provided further that local Government Units (LGUs) shall ensure that members in such localities shall bare access to quality and cost-effective Health Care Services;

**WHEREAS**, section 29-A (b) or RA No. 10606 provides that "that needed premium contributions of all barangay health Workers, nutrition scholars and other barangay Workers and Volunteers shall be fully borne by the LGUs concerned";

**WHEREAS**, Section 18 of RA No. 10606 amended section 28 (b) of RA No. 7875, to state that "Contributions from members in the informal economy Shall be based primarily on household earnings and assets. Those from the lowest income segment who do not qualify for full subsidy under the means test rule of the DSWD shall be entirely subsidized by the LGUs or through cost sharing mechanisms between/among LGUs and/or legislative sponsors and/or other sponsors and/or the members, including the National Government";

**WHEREAS**, Section 21 of RA No. 10606 added Section 29-B in RA 7875 on the coverage of women about to give birth that “The annual required premium for the coverage of unenrolled women who are about to give birth shall be fully borne by the National Government and/or LGU and/or Legislative Sponsor which shall be determined through the means testing protocol recognized by the DSWD”;

**WHEREAS**, Section 30 of RA No. 10606 added Section 56 in RA No. 7875 on the requisites for the issuance or renewal of license or permits or which provides “Notwithstanding any Law to the contrary, all Government Agencies issuing professional or business license or permit, contributions, prior to the issuance or renewal of such license or permit”;

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the vision and objectives of the State, as manifested in NHIP’s mandate and in local autonomy statues, the Sangguniang Bayan affirms its point responsibility with the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (Philhealth) to provide the people of the municipality of Palanan with the mechanism to gain financial access to quality care services and to prioritize and accelerate the provision of Health Care Services to its constituents, especially that segment of the population who cannot afford such services;

**WHEREAS**, the Body considering that beneficent features of RA No. 7875, as further amended by RA No. 10606, as it will vastly improve the overall health status of the constituents of this Locality, and ultimately, the general quality of life, agreed to continually support the implementation of the National Health Insurance Program;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of **HON. JAIME P. BERNARDO**, unanimously seconded by members in Session assembled;

**RESOLVED**, as it is **HEREBY RESOLVES** to enact the following:

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2017 – 14**

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Palanan, Isabela that:

**SECTION 1 – TITLE – ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (NHIP) IN ACCORDANCE WITH REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7875 AS FURTHER AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10606, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACT OF 2013.**

**SECTION 2** – The Sangguniang Bayan agreed to adopt and implement the pertinent provisions of RA No. 7875, as further amended by RA No. 10606;

**SECTION 3** - The Sangguniang Bayan agrees to become a Sponsor and to provide the required funds for the contributions of the following constituents of this locality to the NHIP subject to the implementing rules and regulations of the National Health Insurance Act of 2013.

1. Barangay health Workers, Nutrition scholars and other Barangay Workers and volunteers;

2. Unenrolled women who are about to give birth;

3. Families in the lower income segment belonging to the informal economy which may be subsidized fully by the Municipal Government or through a cost sharing mechanism with other sponsor/s and sponsored members.

**SECTION 4 – SEPARABILITY CLAUSE** – If for any reason, any provision, portion or part of this Ordinance found to be inconsistent with any Law, other provisions or part/s thereof not so affected shall remain in full force and effect;

**SECTION 5 – REPEALING CLAUSE** – All Ordinances, Rules and Regulations or parts thereof, in conflict with, or, contrary to, the Provisions of this Ordinance not so affected herewith is hereby repealed or modified accordingly;

**SECTION 6 – EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE** – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.


**Unanimously enacted, August 14, 2017.**

I hereby attest to the correctness of the foregoing Municipal Ordinance.



**ELPIDIO P. GUZMAN, JR.**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

**ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED  
TO BE DULY ADOPTED:**



**SATURNINA B. CABALDO**  
Municipal Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer

**APPROVED:**



**ELIZABETH B. OCHOA**  
Municipal Mayor