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PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN
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----- OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY -----

March 18, 1991

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the special session duly constituted of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Pangasinan, held on March 18, 1991, at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following Provincial Ordinance was approved:

PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 12-1991

ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF BILLBOARDS ADVERTISING
PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS IN PANGASINAN AND PRO-
VIDING PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF

Section 1. Title of the Ordinance: This ordinance shall known as the "BILLBOARD BAN OF PANGASINAN"

Section 2. Definition of terms: In connection with this ordinance the following terms are hereby defined specifically:

A) Billboard shall mean any painted and flat sign varying in size from poster size to as large as two meters by one and a half meters or even bigger, made of wood, galvanized iron sheet (flat) or plastic or cloth, put near public construction sites or projects with letters, numbers or pictures painted or inscribed therein.

b) Public Official shall refer to any elective or appointive official of the government who holds pivotal or influential positions at the time a project is being pursued or done.

c) Project shall mean any infrastructure job being financed by the government whether it be a road, bridge, school building, flood control or river control construction and the like and being implemented by the government itself or being undertaken by a contractor who has entered into an agreement with the government for its construction.

d) Pangasinan shall mean the 46 towns of Pangasinan excluding the cities of Dagupan and San Carlos.

Section 3. This ordinance seeks to ban or prohibit the putting up of billboards—whether by the government itself or by the contractor of any project which shall show or manifest or enumerate the names of certain public officials as having been responsible for the projects. This ordinance further bans or prohibits the placing of such billboards adjacent to, near or within view of the project itself, in a bid to possibly show to the passing public that they owe such project to the personalities enumerated or named in the billboards.



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Section 4. This ordinance, however, shall not ban or prohibit the placing of billboards which simply inform the public that such projects are where the people's money is being spent, as in the line: "This is Where Your Taxes Are Being Spent" or "Your Taxes Are Being Used Here" or similar signs.

Section 5. This ordinance shall not cover signs that any be put up by any contractor, employees of any government agency that describe the project to be undertaken, such as: The name of the contractor, the description of the project to be undertaken, the time when the project will be started and be completed, the amount of the contract, the source of the funding, to state that it is either a National, Provincial, Municipal or Barangay project and other similar information as will show who is responsible for the project in case of failure or non-compliance with the terms of the contract and the PBAC rules.

Section 6. This ordinance shall not allow billboards with banned contents to be put up, notwithstanding the fact that no government or public money may be spent for such billboards.

Section 7. Any persons committing an infraction or violation of this ordinance shall be penalized in this manner;

a) For a contractor: Imprisonment of from one (1) to six (6) months and a one-year blacklisting of such contractor or contracting firm;

b) For the responsible official of the concerned government agency: Imprisonment of from one (1) to six (6) months and removal from office and the maximum fine allowed by the Local Government Code;

c) For the government official: Imprisonment of from one (1) to six (6) months and a fine as allowed by the Local Government Code, without prejudice to recommending his dismissal or suspension by the superior officer;

Section 8. All ordinances previously passed inconsistent with this ordinance shall be declared or considered repealed and of no more force and effect;

Section 9. Should any part of this ordinance be declared by the court as null and void, or contrary to the constitution or existing law, the same portion or portions shall not affect the valid parts of the ordinance;

Section 10. This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the provision of the Local Government Code otherwise known as the Batas Pambansa Bilang 337;

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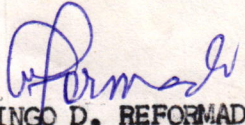
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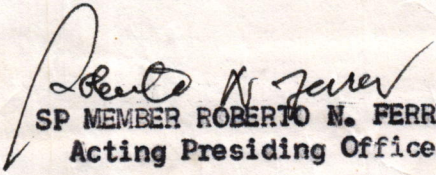
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Section 11. Any public official whose name appears in billboards in violation of this ordinance is presumed to have caused the use of his name if within 15 days from the installation of the billboards the public official does not cause the removal of his name in the said billboard.

Section 12. All existing billboards in violation of Section 3 of this ordinance shall immediately be removed to comply with section 4 and 5 of this ordinance by the contractor at cost to the latter.


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Asst. Board Secretary

ATTESTED:


SP MEMBER ROBERTO N. FERRER
Acting Presiding Officer