

### **Executive Order**

No. 15, Series of 2020

AN ORDER FURTHER EXTENDING THE PERIOD OF PLACING THE ENTIRE MUNICIPALITY OF ALBUERA UNDER MODIFIED GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (MGCQ) AND PROVIDING FOR STRICT BORDER CONTROL AS PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AGAINST COVID-19.

**WHEREAS,** the Inter Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID) issued Resolution No. 66 dated August 27, 2020 placing the entire Province of Leyte under Modified General Community Quarantine;

**WHEREAS**, there is an increase of Covid-19 cases with some localities having local or community transmission in the entire Region 8;

**WHEREAS**, there is an urgent need to limit the movement of individuals and regulate the number of people going in and out of Albuera to avoid exposure to risk associated with Covid-19;

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Code of the Philippines provides that every Local Government Unit is mandated to ensure and promote health and safety of its inhabitants within the respective territorial jurisdiction;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, SIXTO B. DELA VICTORIA,** Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Albuera, Leyte, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, in the interest of public health and safety, do hereby order the following:

- **SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF THE DECLARATION OF MODIFIED GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE.** The declared Modified General Community Quarantine of the Municipality of Albuera shall be extended starting September 1, 2020 and continue until 11:59 o'clock in the evening of September 15, 2020 and may be shortened or extended depending on the recommendation of the Municipal Inter-Agency Task Force for the Covid-19 disease.
- **SECTION 2. CURFEW** Pursuant to Municipal Ordinance No. 2020-06, Curfew to all residents from 9:00 o'clock in the evening until 4:00 o'clock in the morning of the following day is still in effect except for workers, frontliners, healthcare and emergency personnel, uniform men and government officials in exercise of their official functions.
- SECTION 3. STRICT IMPLEMENTATION OF MINIMUM HEALTH STANDARDS All persons are mandated to wear FACE MASK at all time in public, to always observe SOCIAL DISTANCING and to regularly disinfect oneself to effectively protect and lessen the transmission of Covid-19 pursuant to Ordinance No. 2020-01. NO PERSON SHALL BE ALLOWED TO TRAVEL OUTSIDE THEIR RESIDENCE OR ALLOWED ENTRY IN ANY ESTABLISHMENT WITHOUT WEARING A FACE MASK AND COMPLYING WITH EXISTING PROTOCOLS IMPOSED IN THE MUNICIPALITY.

**SECTION 4. LIQUOUR BAN.** Selling and buying of alcoholic beverages is allowed but consumption of the same in public places such as, but not limited to, beach, public highways & roads, stores, bar & pubs, is strictly prohibited. Violation to this will be dealt with pursuant to Municipal Ordinance No. 2020-04 and other pertinent laws.

## **SECTION 5. RESTRICTED ACTIVITIES.** The following guidelines for activities that are restricted shall be strictly followed:

- 1. Mass gatherings such as but not limited to, movie screening, concerts, sporting events, and other entertainment activities, community assemblies, and non-essential work gatherings shall be prohibited. Gathering that are for the provision of critical government services and authorized humanitarian activities while adhering to the prescribed minimum health standard shall be allowed. Religious gatherings shall be limited to fifty percent (50%) of the seating or venue capacity.
- 2. Outdoor non-contact sports and other forms of exercises such as but not limited to walking, jogging, running, biking, tennis, badminton and the like are allowed. Provided, that the minimum public health standards such as wearing of face masks, the maintenance of social distancing protocols and no sharing of equipment where applicable, are observed. Provided further that such activities shall be confined within the municipality.

# SECTION 6. PROTOCOLS FOR REPATRIATES, BALIK PROBENSYA & LOCALLY STRANDED INDIVIDUALS COMING BACK TO ALBUERA. The following protocols shall be strictly followed, to wit;

- 1. Balik Probensya, Returning Overseas Filipinos-Repatriates, Locally Stranded Individuals and returnees who stayed more than one (1) day from Positive Covid-19 areas who shows up at the Municipal Check Points shall be held thereat for validation from the Barangay Officials after which the same will be turned over to the Barangay for the mandated 14 days Quarantine Protocol once confirmed.
- 2. Properly coordinated arrival will be picked up by the LGU-Albuera service vehicle and delivered to their respective barangay for the mandated 14 days Quarantine Protocol.
- 3. Non-coordinated arrival in Albuera should be reported right away and no instance be given to go directly to their respective homes, rather submit to their respective BHERT/Barangay Captain and undergo the mandated 14 days Quarantine Protocol to avoid being penalized under existing laws and regulations.
- 4. The Barangay Council/BHERT shall take the responsibility to coordinate with relatives of those quarantined for their needs and provide the same if there is none.
- 5. NO HOME QUARANTINE IS ALLOWED EXCEPT FOR SENIOR CITIZENS with comorbid diseases and high risk (a medical certificate to this effect) provided that ocular inspection conducted by the Municipal Health Officer and a certification that their home is qualified for Home Quarantine.
- 6. Wearing of face mask, physical distancing and hand washing shall always be observed while quarantined.
- 7. COVID 19 testing using RT PCR Test or Rapid test shall be done to those quarantined:
  - a. OFWs PCR test not earlier than 5 days from date of arrival at the barangay
  - b. Balik Probensya and Locally Stranded Individuals PCR test not earlier than 5 days from date of arrival at the barangay.
  - c. Symptomatic individuals PCR test per doctor's order and depending on the availability of the test kits and Laboratory Testing Center.
  - d. Returnees coming from low risk area Rapid Test.
- 8. The 14 days quarantine period shall be extended for those subject to PCR Testing until such time that its result is negative.
- 9. When PCR test result is negative, the 14 days quarantine period shall continue in the quarantine facility afterwhich another 7 days strict home quarantine shall be observed. If any signs and symptoms of COVID 19 arise, the same will be isolated and PCR test be conducted.
- 10. When PCR test result is positive, the quarantined shall be transferred and isolated to the barangay/municipal *ISOLATION UNIT/LIGTAS COVID CENTER*.

- a. Asymptomatic individuals shall continue the 14 days quarantine at the barangay/municipal isolation area then repeat test will be performed before discharge.
- b. Symptomatic individuals, if mild only, shall be managed locally but if severe, shall be referred to EVRMC COVID CENTER. DOH VIII RESU will come and bring the patient to EVRMC for management.
- c. For mild cases managed at our level, the number of days for quarantine shall be extended for another 14 days. Counting of day one will start on the day that he/she doesn't have the signs and symptoms anymore.
- 11. Once the PCR test result is positive contact tracing of all suspected contacts or family interactions shall be done immediately and all persons that have direct contact with the patient will be candidate for testing.
- 12. No visitors are allowed in the quarantine area premises except for the health workers, guards and those who are assigned to provide for their basic needs, with PPE.
- 13. Frontline workers exposed to Covid-19 positive cases will undergo containment in designated facility and have PCR Testing not earlier than 5 days from exposure. If negative, may go back to work immediately.
- 14. A Certificate of Quarantine Completion shall be issued after the 7 days strict home quarantine succeeding the mandatory 14 days Quarantine Protocol if no signs and symptoms of COVID 19 arise.
- 15. VIOLATION OF THE ABOVE GUIDELINES WILL BE DEALTH WITH ACCORDINGLY.

## **SECTION 7. GUIDELINES ON MOVEMENT AND TRAVEL.** The following guidelines for the Restriction of Movement and Travel shall be strictly followed:

- 1. The movement of all persons in this municipality shall be limited to accessing essential goods and services, for work in the offices or industries permitted to operate
- 2. Any person below twenty-one (21) years old, those who are sixty (60) years old and above, those with immunodeficiency, comorbidities, or other health risk, and pregnant women shall be required to remain in their residences at all times, Provided that all activities and movements allowed under other Sections of these Order for the foregoing persons shall continue to be permitted.
- 3. Entry of persons coming from places with confirmed and or possible COVID-19 local or community transmission is strictly prohibited. Entry of Residents staying for more than one day from such places will observed the mandated 14 days Quarantine Protocol to avoid being penalized under existing laws and regulations.
- 4. Entry of Authorized Persons Outside Residence (APOR) working in this municipality coming from places with confirmed and or possible COVID-19 local or community transmission is allowed subject to local health protocol.
- 5. Non-residents of this municipality without any valid reasons including, but not limited to, passer bys, working, livelihood, medical and health reasons, purchase of necessary food and house supplies are also restricted.
- 6. The unhampered movement and travel of all cargos for food and essentials goods shall be observed subject to Local Health Protocols for Covid-19 and provided that only a maximum of five (5) personnel may operate cargo and delivery vehicles, with or without load. NO PERSONAL CONTACT POLICY MUST BE OBSERVED AT ALL TIMES WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY.
- 7. Companies with delivery services within the municipality shall be subjected to the internal arrangement agreed upon and other Local Health Protocols for Covid-19.

SECTION 8. CHECK-POINT/BORDER CONTROL. In order to monitor the movement and travel of all who goes in and out of this municipality, to prevent the spread of Covid-19 and to ensure that this order is strictly enforced, check-points/border control will be established at the municipal borders manned by the members of the Albuera PNP, the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), the Municipal Health Office (MHO), the Municipal Disaster and Risk Reduction and Management Office (MDRRMO), the Bureau of Fire Protection, Barangay officials/volunteer and from the Civic Organizations: Kasamahan and Guardians.

**SECTION 9. PROTOCOLS AT CHECKPOINTS.** All persons entering the checkpoints shall present the following documents upon entry:

Person	Documents to be Presented / Protocols
Residents	<ol> <li>Certification of being non-PUM/PUI Valid for 1 week from the date of issuance.</li> <li>Health Declaration Certification Valid for 3 days from the date of issuance.</li> <li>Identification Card as Proof of Residency;</li> <li>Quick Response (QR) Code</li> </ol>
Residents who are working in other municipalities and cities in the Province of Leyte, whether returning on a daily or weekly basis.	<ol> <li>Certification of being non-PUM/PUI Valid for 1 week from the date of issuance.</li> <li>Health Declaration Certification Valid for 3 days from the date of issuance.</li> <li>Identification Card as Proof of Residency;</li> <li>Recent Certificate of Employment (for workers)</li> <li>Quick Response (QR) Code</li> </ol>
Non-residents entering for the following purposes:  a. Work/employment b. Business c. Access essential goods and services; d. Avail of essential government services; e. Medical appointments and emergencies.	<ol> <li>Certification of being non-PUM/PUI Valid for 1 week from the date of issuance.</li> <li>Health Declaration Certification Valid for 3 days from the date of issuance.</li> <li>Identification Card</li> <li>Recent Certificate of Employment (for workers)</li> <li>Business Registration (for Business operators in Albuera)</li> <li>Quick Response (QR) Code</li> <li>Medical appointment with medical practitioner for those under item e</li> </ol>
Non-residents coming from municipalities or cities with a declared COVID-19 LOCAL OR COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION, as determined by the local IATF, and entering for the following purposes:  a. Access essential goods and services; b. Avail of essential government services; Medical appointments and emergencies.	<ol> <li>NO Entry</li> <li>APOR can enter subject to the provision of Section 7.4 with the following documents:         <ul> <li>a. Office Identification Card</li> <li>b. Certification of being non-PUM/PUI Valid for 1 week from the date of issuance</li> <li>c. Health Declaration Certification Valid for 3 days from the date of issuance</li> <li>d. Travel Order</li> <li>e. Quick Response (QR) Code</li> <li>f. Company Documents</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
All Non-residents, or representative of companies, and entities coming to deliver essential goods.	<ol> <li>Certification of being non-PUM/PUI Valid for 1 week from the date of issuance.</li> <li>Health Declaration Certification Valid for 3 days from the date of issuance.</li> <li>Identification Card</li> <li>Quick Response (QR) Code</li> <li>Delivery Receipts</li> <li>Health cards</li> <li>Company Documents</li> <li>No personnel shall be allowed to disembark from the delivery truck.</li> </ol>
All persons who are merely passing through.  • Such person shall be escorted to the designated exit checkpoints in the city.	<ol> <li>Certification of being non-PUM/PUI Valid for 1 week from the date of issuance.</li> <li>Health Declaration Certification Valid for 3 days from the date of issuance.</li> <li>Quick Response (QR) Code</li> </ol>

- 4. Documents proving that such person is merely passing through, i.e. Travel Authority, Appointments, Ticket, etc.;
- 1. The following Protocols will be observed at Checkpoints:
  - a. All persons entering the check point shall wear face mask, observe social distancing and shall be subjected to thermal and LGU Albuera QR Code scanning;
  - b. All vehicles, private and public, and delivery trucks shall be subjected for inspection by the members of the PNP and monitoring; and
  - c. All passengers bound for Albuera shall be subjected to inquiry for monitoring purposes.

#### **SECTION 10. BUSINESS ACTIVITIES**

- 1. All business activities allowed to operate under applicable DTI Guidelines at the prescribed operational capacity and implement the Quick Response (QR) Code except for the following:
  - a. Gyms/Fitness Studios and Sports Facilities
  - b. Entertainment-related Mass Gathering, including but not limited to: Theatres, Cinemas, Large Concerts, Festivals, Carnivals, Conventions, Shows Pubs and Bars, barangay fiestas and festivities, barangay assemblies, town/city fiestas, reunions, trade fairs, carnivals, Balikbayan affairs, concerts, fund raising events
  - c. Business-related Mass Gathering, including but not limited to: Trade shoes, Conferences, Conventions, Workshops, Retreats
  - d. Sports-related Mass Gatherings, including but not limited to: Trainings, Games, Tournaments, Championships, Buwang
  - e. Cultural Shows
  - f. Gambling and Betting
  - g. Activities of Membership Organizations
- **SECTION 11. RELATED DISCRIMINATION ON COVID-19.** Acts of discrimination inflicted upon healthcare workers, repatriated OFWs and non-OFWs, Covid-19 cases, whether PUMs or PUIs are denounced in the strongest terms. Acts in furtherance of the same such as, but not limited to, coercion, libel, slanders, physical injuries and the dishonour of contractual obligations such as contracts of lease or employment, shall be dealt with pursuant to Municipal Ordinance No. 2020-03 and other pertinent laws.
- **SECTION 12. ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTY.** The Albuera Police Office and other law enforcement agencies are tasked to implement this EO and ensure that the same are properly observed. Any person caught violating the provisions of this and previous executive orders issued in relation to the community quarantine, and other measures against Covid-19, shall be prosecuted under existing and pertinent laws.
- **SECTION 13. EFFECTIVITY.** Previous executive orders are still in effect except for provisions which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are deemed amended and superseded. This Executive Order shall take effect on September 1, 2020, and shall remain in force and effect while the Public Health Emergency subsists, unless rendered ineffective in writing by the Mayor.

Done this 31<sup>ST</sup> day of August, 2020 at Albuera, Leyte.

SIXTO B. DELA VICTORIA

Municipal Mayor

Copy furnished:

The Provincial Governor
The Sangguniang Bayan of Albuera
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