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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 044**  
**Series of 2021**

**REORGANIZING THE LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOS BAÑOS**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the 1987 Constitution of the Philippines, Article II, Section 14 stipulates that the State recognizes the role of women in nation-building, and shall ensure the fundamental equality before the law of women and men;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Republic Act 7160 otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991" emphasizes the role of women in community development through the inclusion of women representation in local policy making bodies;

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act 7192 otherwise known as the "Women in Development and Nation Building Act" mandates all government departments shall ensure that women benefit equally and participate directly in the development programs and projects of said department, specifically those funded under official foreign development assistance, to ensure the full participation and involvement of women in the development process;

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 1, Section 2 of Republic Act 9710 otherwise known as "The Magna Carta of Women" dictates that the state affirms the right of women in all sectors to participate in policy formulation, planning, organization, implementation, management, monitoring, and evaluation of all programs, projects, and services;

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Interior and Local Government Memorandum Circular No. 2006-125 dated September 21, 2006 amended DILG MC No. 2002-1167 dated October 10, 2002 regarding Guidelines on the Procedures and Structures for the Creation of Local Council of Women;

**WHEREAS**, in compliance with the aforementioned laws, order and directives, the Local Government Unit of Los Baños ensures the participation of women in both public and private sectors in the Municipality of Los Baños and promote women empowerment in the society development;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANTONIO L. KALAW**, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Los Baños, Province of Laguna, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue this executive order reorganizing the Local Council of Women (LCW) of the Municipality of Los Baños; to wit:

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| <b>SECTION</b> | <b>1.</b> | <b>ORGANIZATION.</b> The Local Council of Women (LCW) of the Municipality of Los Baños is hereby reorganized.       |
| <b>SECTION</b> | <b>2.</b> | <b>COMPOSITION.</b> The Local Council of Women of the Municipality of Los Baños shall be composed of the following: |

**Members : 7 Representatives from NGOs/ POs/ Professional group**

PASTOR MA. IMELDA O. DELA VIÑA  
Los Baños Alliance for Reform Revival and Mission

SHERILL R. QUINTANA  
Los Baños Tourism Council

MA. LUISA O. MOJADO  
Los Baños Teacher's Organization

CHRISTINA FELIX  
Los Baños Women's Brigade

MARY ANN S. HERNANDEZ  
LSPU – Los Baños Campus

DR. ALEXANDRA L. PALIS  
Makiling Medical Society

HON. EDITHA LOZANO  
Federation of Local Lady Legislators League

**Representative from the Local Government Unit**

KAREN LAGAT-MERCADO  
GAD Officer

**Representative from the UPLB Gender Centre**

GENESIS TALATALA-BASELERES  
UPLB Gender Centre

The nine (9) members of the LCW shall elect from among themselves the regular Chairperson and other officers, such as but not limited to Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, PRO and other officers that may be created as the need arises.

The LGU representative cannot be elected as Chairperson

The term of office of the LCW Officers shall be two (2) years. In the event there has been changes with the members and officers of the LCW, election for the vacated position shall be voted amongst the member.

**SECTION 3. FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITY.** In pursuit of women empowerment, gender equality, social justice, lasting peace, fulfilment and protection of human rights and sustainable development, the LCW shall have the following functions:

- I. Define their respective advocacy agenda which shall incorporate their local priorities in terms of local, national, international women's agenda, to include but not limited to:

- i. Implement all gender based policies, directives, ordinances, resolutions, programs, projects and activities of the Local Government Unit of Los Baños;
  - ii. Lead in gender mainstreaming perspective and programs beneficial for the constituents of the Municipality of Los Baños;
  - iii. Create and establish gender-responsive policies, programs and systems based on priority needs and concerns of the constituents of the Municipality of Los Baños;
  - iv. Promote information, education and advocacy campaign on women empowerment and gender-responsiveness;
  - v. Assist with monitoring and implementation of all GAD plan, policies, programs and budget;
  - vi. Coordinate with other agencies, both public and private organizations, and civil society groups in developing and strengthening a harmonized GAD policy in various level of governance and in establishing projects and programs in marginalized sectors; and
  - vii. Recommend and plan appropriate capacity development program on gender and development for women empowerment beneficial for the Municipality of Los Baños.
- II. Collaborate with government agencies with the implementation and development of GAD related programs, projects and activities (PPAs) issues and women's concerns;
  - III. Formulate and implement programs, projects and activities such as livelihood, micro-enterprise, social services and skills training development, within the framework of GAD for Women;
  - IV. Establish strong alliance with business sectors, Government Organization (GO) and Non-Government Organization (NGO) to enable women's access to resources, and information and technology in order to carry out its projects more effectively;
  - V. Monitor and evaluate the impact of local policies, programs, projects and activities on women, and provide the Local Chief Executive and other relevant agencies and organization with the results of the evaluation with ensure corresponding action plan;
  - VI. Establish affiliation with the National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women (**NCRFW**) in the pursuit to gender and development mainstreaming and women empowerment at the local level; and
  - VII. Build the entrepreneurial capability of marginalized women both local and abroad.

- SECTION 4. MEETING.** The Local Council of Women (LCW) of the Municipality of Los Baños shall meet at least once a month or as often as necessary.
- SECTION 5. SECRETARIAT.** The Gender and Development Office shall serve as the Secretariat of the GAD Focal Point System and shall be responsible for providing technical support, documentation of proceedings, preparation of reports and such other assistance required in the discharge of its functions.
- SECTION 6. FUNDING.** The source of funds of the Local Council of Women for all its programs, projects and activities shall be charged from the the 5% GAD fund subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY.** This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until lifted or amended by another order or superseded by law or ordinance.

Done this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021 at the New Municipal Bldg. of the Municipality Los Baños, Province of Laguna.

  
**HON. ANTONIO L. KALAW**  
Municipal Mayor