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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE HONORABLE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN, TIGBAUAN, ILOILO HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM, TIGBAUAN MUNICIPAL BUILDING, TIGBAUAN, ILOILO ON JANUARY 15, 2002 AT 2:05 P.M.

PRESENT:

HON. JESSIE G. TERRE,	Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer
HON. AGATON O. TUMABOTABO,	Councilor
HON. ROMEO T. LEDESMA,	Councilor
HON. REMEDIOS T. TORRATO,	Councilor
HON. CECILIA T. GARRIDO,	Councilor
HON. GEORGE T. TRIBUNAL,	Councilor
HON. REXFEL G. TRIVILEGIO,	Councilor
HON. ALFONSITO E. ESTOCE,	Councilor

ABSENT:

HON. FERNANDO T. VALENCIA	Councilor (Sick Leave)
HON. RAMONITA T. ALCALA,	President, Liga ng mga Barangay (Sick Leave)

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2002-002

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING SALT PRODUCERS, MANUFACTURERS, IMPORTERS, DISTRIBUTORS TO TREAT SALT WITH POTASSIUM IODATE/IODIDE PRIOR TO SALE, SALT SELLERS/RETAILERS TO SELL ONLY IODIZED SALT, AND INNS, RESORTS, RESTAURANTS, CANTEENS, CARINDERIAS, BAKESHOPS, FOOD SERVICE INDUSTRIES TO USE IODIZED SALT IN THE PREPARATION/PROCESSING OF FOOD PRODUCTS, AND PENALIZING VIOLATIONS THEREOF.

SPONSORED BY: Hon. Romeo T. Ledesma, Vice Chairman, SB Committee on Health and Sanitation. CO-SPONSORED BY:

1. Hon. Cecilia T. Garrido
2. Hon. Remedios T. Tomato
3. Hon. Ramonita Alcala
4. Hon. Agaton Tumabotabo
5. Hon. George T. Tribunal

SECONDED BY: Hon. Alfonsito E. Estoce

WHEREAS, one of the basic policies of government is to protect and maintain the health of the entire population, especially pre-school age children, by means of an effective nutrition program;

WHEREAS, statistics show that there is tremendous incidence of malnutrition cases especially among women and children nationwide;

WHEREAS, IODINE DEFICIENCY has been pinpointed as a perennial health problem due to micronutrient malnutrition;

WHEREAS, IODINE DEFICIENCY, reduces a person's intellectual and physical capacity, and may appear as goiter, mental retardation, physical and mental defects, and cretinism or stunted growth:

WHEREAS, the most effective method of eliminating iodine deficiency disorders is through the preventive measure of SALT IODIZATION;

WHEREAS, Rep. Act 8172 requires all salt producers/manufacturers to iodize the salt they produce, manufacture distribute, import, retail and/or trade, and the food processing and food service industries to use only iodized salt, for health reasons;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF TIGBAUAN, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, IN SESSION ASSEMBLED THAT:

Section I. TITLE- This ordinance shall be known as the SALT IODIZATION ORDINANCE.

Section 2. COVERAGE- This ordinance shall apply to all salt manufacturers, producers, importers, distributors, retailers, sellers, including owners and operators of Inns, Resorts, Restaurants, Canteens, Carinderias, and other food service industries and establishments in the Municipality of Tigbauan.

Section 3. **DEFINITION OF TERMS**- The following terms as used in this Ordinance shall mean:

1. **IODIZED SALT**- Food-grade salt treated with potassium iodate, or an iodide
2. **IODIZATION** - the process of treating, fortifying, or applying/potassium iodate or iodide on ordinary or un-iodized salt, weather manually or mechanically.
3. **MICRONUTRIENT MALNUTRITION** — refers to a health disorder due to deficiencies in Vitamin A. iron, and other micronutrients which the body needs in minute quantities daily.
4. **MANUFACTURE** -- the process of making salt manually or mechanically.
5. **SALE** —the disposal of salt to the public in consideration of money
6. **IMPORTATION** — to bring in salt to the Municipality of Tigbauan from any foreign or external source.
7. **RETAILER** — refers to someone who sells to the end user or consumer.
8. **FOOD SERVICE INDUSTRIES** -- any home or cottage industry that produce and/or process food for sale, using salt as one of the ingredients.

Section 4. **MECHANICS**:

1. Salt producers, manufacturers, importers, distributors, retailers/sellers shall fortify or cause their salt to be fortified with potassium iodate or iodide, and shall display in their shelves for sale to the public only iodized salt. This shall be properly marked as "**IODIZED SALT.**"
2. **Inns, Resorts, Restaurants, Carinderias, Canteens, Bakeshops, and food Service Industries/Establishments** shall use only iodized salt for food preparation/processing and for table salt. They are urged to display a 36x8 inches Signboard with this text: "**WE USE ONLY IODIZED SALT HERE,**" Conspicuously in their business premises.
3. Salt Retailers and Sellers shall sell only iodized salt, and shall get their supply for sale from salt producers, manufacturers, importers, and distributors of iodized salt.

Section 5. **PROHIBITED ACTS**:

The following are hereby declared as prohibited acts:

1. Failure of salt producers, manufacturers, importers, and distributors to fortify/treat their product with potassium iodate/iodide prior to sale of said product to retailers, sellers, or direct to end users/consumers.
2. The act of selling un-iodized salt to the public by retailers or sellers.
3. Failure of **Inns, Resorts, Restaurants, Canteens, Carinderias, Bakeshops, Food Service Industries and Establishments** to use iodized salt in the preparation of food products and for table salt.

PROVIDED, that the presence of raw un-iodized salt in the shelves of retailers, sellers, distributors, produces, manufacturers, and the kitchen area/working premises of Inns, Resorts, Restaurants, Carinderias, Canteens, Bakeshops and food Establishments shall *give* rise to the presumption of a violation of this Ordinance.

Section 6. **PENALTY-** Awry salt producer, manufacturer, importer, distributor, seller/retailer, operator of Inns, Resort, Restaurant, Carinderia, canteen, food industry/ establishment found to be violating Section 5 of this ordinance shall be penalized as follows;

1. He/she shall upon conviction by the Court, for the first offense, pay a fine of P500.00 pesos or perform Community Service for five (5) days or both at the discretion of the Court.
2. On the second conviction of the same offense, he/she shall pay a fine of P2,000.00 pesos or perform ten (10) days of Community Service or both at the discretion of the Court.

In addition hereto this Municipality shall revoke his/ her business license. He/she however shall be allowed to open a new and similar business only after compliance with this Ordinance.

VOLUNTARY PAYMENT of the fines so provided in Items 1 & 2 herein above shall preclude the filing of the appropriate case in Court.

Section 7. **IMPLEMENTATION-** This Ordinance shall be implemented by the Municipal Health Officers, Brgy. Health Workers and Brgy. Nutrition Scholars. The mechanics of implementation shall be as follows:

1. The Municipal Health Officers shall conduct a periodic un-announced inspection, together with concerned **BHW and BNS** in any given Barangay.
2. The **BHW & BNS** shall report to the Municipal Health Officers all suspected marketing outlets in their respective barangays that sell raw or fur-iodized salt, and shall in all instances coordinate with the Municipal Health Officers.
3. The Municipal Health Officers with the **BHW & BNS** are hereby empowered to confiscate during inspection the item (raw salt untreated being sold) tending to show violation of this Ordinance. For this purpose, they are empowered to enlist the assistance of the Phil. **National Police (PNP)** in the course of their periodic inspections.

Support groups like the Barangay Officials concerned, DECS Officials and teachers, NGO's, shall announce/ circularize use of iodized salt in school canteens, conduct awareness campaigns and intensify information dissemination at the barangay level.

Section 8. **COLLECTION OFFICE-** Any violator pays the fine to the Municipal Treasurer who shall issue the proper receipt thereof.

Section 9. **ALLOCATION OF FINES COLLECTED-** shall be distributed as follows:

Fifty percent (**50%**) shall go to the Municipal Government and fifty percent (50%) to the Barangay where the violation occurred.

Section 10. **REPEALING CLAUSE-** Any ordinance with provisions that contradict this Ordinance is hereby repealed.

Section 11. **EFFECTIVITY-** This ordinance shall take effect after mandatory posting for three consecutive weeks in conspicuous places within this Municipality, and intensive information dissemination within the same period.

ENACTED: January 15, 2002.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Municipal Ordinance was approved by the Sangguniang Bayan.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

(SGD.)MARLENE T. NAVA
S.B. Secretary

ATTESTED: (SGD.) JESSIE G. TERRE
Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:
(SGD.) MYRNA M. TORRES
Municipal Mayor