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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-03-025**  
**Series of 2020**

**AN ORDER ADOPTING MORE STRINGENT PROTOCOLS AND UPDATED GUIDELINES ON ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALAOAN, LA UNION AS A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE DUE TO THE OUTBREAK OF THE CORONA VIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19)**

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**WHEREAS**, President Rodrigo Duterte issued Proclamation No. 922, declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines on the 8th day of March 2020 due to the outbreak of COVID-19 this being an emergency threatening national security. The said declaration mandated mandatory monitoring/reporting of cases, intensifying government response and measures, and enforcing quarantine and disease control prevention measures;

**WHEREAS**, in view of the said declaration, the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) has advised all Local Government Units (LGUs) to take precautionary measures to help contain the spread of the disease;

**WHEREAS**, the DOH-DFA-DILG-DOJ-DOLE-DOT-DOTr-DICT Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease(IATF) issued Resolution No. 11 Series of 2020 dated March 12, 2020 approving the recommendation made by the Department of Health Technical Advisory Group on Imposing Stringent Social Distancing Measures to prevent spread of the disease;

**WHEREAS**, Provincial Governor Francisco Emmanuel R. Ortega III, has issued Executive Order No. 12 Series of 2020 on March 15, 2020 "declaring the Province of La Union under community quarantine and further enhancing the implementation of mandatory precautionary measures against COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Proclamation 922, Joint Resolutions 11 and 12 of the IATF and the provisions of RA 11332, a Memorandum was issued on March 16, 2020 by Executive Secretary Salvador Medialdea, directing all agencies and instrumentalities of



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government to impose the Enhanced Community Quarantine and the Stringent Social Distancing guidelines over the entire Luzon ;

**WHEREAS**, in view of the confirmation of two COVID-19 cases in La Union, there is a need to adopt more stringent protocols and update the guidelines as precautionary emergency measures to help contain the spread of the disease in the municipality;

**WHEREAS**, the General Welfare Clause of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, **ATTY. ALELI U. CONCEPCION**, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Balaoan, La Union, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order to adopt more stringent protocols and update the guidelines on enhanced community quarantine within the Municipality of Balaoan, La Union as a precautionary measure due to the outbreak of the Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) with the following provisions:

**SECTION 1.** In adherence to the directive of the President and the Enhanced Community Quarantine and Stringent Social Distancing Guidelines issued for Luzon, the following safety and security measures shall be strictly observed starting 12:00 a.m. of March 23, 2020 to 12:00AM of April 13, 2020, to wit;

1. A Municipal Official Pass Slip shall be issued to all households in Balaoan for free. In order to get the Municipal Official Pass Slip, the household head should surrender the previously issued barangay pass slip to his barangay officials.
  - a. Only one member of the household (not family) who must be at least 18 to 59 years old, not pregnant, with no pre-existing medical condition like hypertension, diabetes, COPD, cancer and the like shall be issued a Municipal Official Pass Slip. Different families living in the same house is considered as one household.



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- b. The name of the chosen member of the household (not necessarily the household head) shall be written by a barangay official on the Municipal Official Pass Slip and shall be the sole representative of the household in going out to buy basic necessities such as food, medicines, going to the bank or remittance center.
- c. The Municipal Official Pass Slip shall be valid for the entire duration of the Enhanced Community Quarantine or such period it may be shortened or extended after which the same shall be surrendered to the Punong Barangay of the holder's place of residence.
- d. The Municipal Official Pass Slip shall not be honored for purposes of work or leisure.
- e. He who is issued a Municipal Official Pass Slip can only use it once a day.
- f. The Municipal Official Pass Slip must be ready for presentation to authorities at any given time. The holder thereof should present a valid I.D. for verification purposes.
- g. The back page of the Municipal Official Pass Slip shall detail the movement of the holder to indicate the date, time he left his residence, for what purpose, and the time he returned to his residence. Said details will be filled up by the barangay official/s manning the checkpoint in his barangay of residence. Any barangay official manning the checkpoint duly assigned by the Punong Barangay or the Punong Barangay himself/herself may affix his/her initial/signature after the Time Out and Time In of a Municipal Official Pass holder in their barangay.
- h. Barangay officials manning the checkpoint in other barangays through which an individual passes may require the presentation of his Municipal Official Pass Slip and valid I.D. at any given time.
- i. Individuals who do not have a Municipal Official Pass Slip shall be interrogated and advised to go home immediately by uniformed personnel or any barangay official on duty.
- j. It shall be unlawful to tamper with and/or duplicate the Municipal Official Pass Slip.
- k. The Municipal Official Pass Slip is non-transferable.
- l. Violation of any of the foregoing provisions shall result in the revocation or forfeiture of the Municipal Official Pass Slip issued. For this purpose,



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the Punong Barangay or any uniformed personnel (PNP/Army) may confiscate the Municipal Official Pass Slip.

2. Barangay officials should record the names of those issued Municipal Official Pass Slips in their respective barangays.
3. No Municipal Official Pass Slip shall be issued to a household with only senior citizens as its members. If no member of the household fits the requirement to be issued the Municipal Official Pass Slip, they may seek the assistance of their relatives residing in the same barangay with issued Municipal Official Pass Slip and/or barangay officials in procuring their necessities such as food, water and medicines.
4. Boarders/transients in Balaoan shall not be issued Municipal Official Pass Slips. They should coordinate with their respective landlords and/or neighbors in the same barangay with issued Municipal Official Pass Slips to procure their necessities.
5. Each barangay shall identify at least one entrance and one exit point for all residents in the barangay through which they will pass. All other roads may be closed to traffic. Adjacent barangays are advised to coordinate as to road closure to avoid problems on traffic. Furthermore, barangays are required to submit to the Balaoan Police Station the location of their barangay checkpoints and road closures. Barricades of road closures may only be removed by barangay officials, rescue, health and uniformed personnel. All barangay checkpoints should be properly labeled.
6. Curfew is in effect for the whole 24 hours pursuant to the general intent of Enhanced Community Quarantine since only essential trips outside of the residence are allowed. However, a municipal curfew shall be imposed from 6:00 pm to 6:00 am daily for individuals going out for their necessities. The curfew schedule shall not be applicable to those individuals who are authorized to be outside of their residence because of the nature of their work such as health workers and emergency frontliners, security personnel, employees of businesses and establishments that can remain open, media, and others specified in the



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Memorandum of Executive Secretary Salvador Medialdea dated March 16, 2020, and updates thereof issued by the Joint Task Force CV SHIELD.

7. The Balaoan Public Market shall be open only from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm daily. Only those with Municipal Official Pass Slip and masks will be allowed entry into the Public Market. Vendors and their skeletal staff (i.e. kargador) should also wear masks, observe strict skeletal force and strict social distancing measures. Misting and disinfecting of the Public Market will be done every Tuesday and Friday, or as the need arises.
8. Vendors and/or their staff in the Balaoan Public Market, whether or not from Balaoan, who are senior citizens, pregnant or with pre-existing medical condition shall be temporarily asked to stop selling pursuant to the Luzon Enhanced Community Quarantine Basic Do's and Dont's No. 1 issued by the IATF-ED on March 18, 2020 which states that those most vulnerable to COVID-19 should not go out. LGU employees at the Balaoan Public Market may require the presentation of an I.D. or medical certificate from any vendor or his/her staff.
9. Pursuant to Advisory No. 4 of Governor Francisco Emmanuel "Pacoy" R. Ortega III, sari-sari stores shall only operate from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm. Sari-sari stores can only sell basic commodities like rice, canned goods, noodles and other household needs. Alcoholic drinks and cigarettes shall not be sold at any time. No snacks shall be consumed on site and sanitation and social distancing measures shall be observed.
10. Individuals whose Municipal Official Pass Slip is not filled-up by their barangay official/s (barangay of residence) as to Time Out and/or does not bear the initial/signature of any barangay official shall not be allowed entry into the Public Market.
11. LGU employees manning the entrance of the Balaoan Public Market shall limit the number of persons entering the market at any given time to ensure that it does not become crowded and in compliance with social distancing measures.



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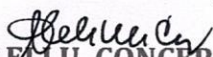
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12. Non-residents of Balaoan are allowed entry to the Balaoan Public Market daily only upon presentation of a pass slip from their own barangay and/or municipality and valid I.D. and they should wear masks as well.
13. All barangay officials are hereby directed to implement this order within their respective jurisdiction and coordinate with concerned authorities. They shall wear proper identification at all times. Punong Barangays are directed to take a proactive approach and be vigilant.
14. Failure to abide with any the foregoing shall be meted out with appropriate sanctions in accordance with pertinent laws and regulations including cancellation of Business Permit.

**SECTION 2. REPEALING CLAUSE.** Previous issuance or any portion thereof, which are inconsistent with the provision of this Executive Order are hereby amended, modified, superseded or repealed accordingly.

**SECTION 3. EFFECTIVITY.** This Executive Order shall be effective 12:00 a.m. of March 23, 2020 to 12:00AM of April 13, 2020, or until it is lifted and/or amended accordingly when the prevailing situation warrants.

**DONE** in the Municipality of Balaoan, La Union, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2020.

  
**ATTY. ALELI U. CONCEPCION**  
Municipal Mayor