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# EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 04 Series of 2022

AN ORDER ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE NATIONAL INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE TO PLACE DAVAO ORIENTAL UNDER ALERT LEVEL SYSTEM 2 FROM FEBRUARY 16, 2022 UP TO FEBRUARY 28. 2022 AND PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), since having been declared as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, has irreversibly affected millions of lives and families worldwide. Its unprecedented speed of transmission and infectivity has placed a huge burden on essential areas of governance, most importantly in vulnerable sectors such as the economy, education, and healthcare;

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Units are expected to act as stewards of local health systems, primary responders to the public health emergency, and to implement calibrated and people-centered response including primary to tertiary care in an integrated and coordinated manner;

WHEREAS, the IATF issued the Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines, as amended on December 14, 2021, to harmonize and codify existing guidelines of the IATF and member-agencies pertaining to community quarantine for the Implementation of Alert Levels System initially adopted by the IATF which shall be applied to all regions, provinces, cities, municipalities, and barangays placed under community quarantine;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 151 (s.2021) issued on 11 November 2021, approved the nationwide rollout of the Alert Level System and adopted these Guidelines as the guidelines to be implemented and enforced in all areas under the Alert Level System;

WHEREAS, PGO Executive Order No.24 series of 2021 issued on October 25, 2021 adopted the implementation of the Alert Level System and providing guidelines in its implementation;

WHEREAS, the National Inter Agency Task Force through Cabinet Secretary Karlo Nograles placed the province of Davao Oriental under Alert Level 2 along with other provinces in the region;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by the authority vested in me as Provincial Governor by the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, **I, NELSON L. DAYANGHIRANG**, do hereby order:

### SECTION 1. ADOPTION.

The province of Davao Oriental adopts the National Inter Agency Task Force recommendation placing the entire province of Davao Oriental under COVID 19 Alert Level System 2 from February 16, 2022 to February 28, 2022.



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#### SECTION 2. REITERATION OF GUIDELINES FOR AREAS UNDER ALERT LEVEL 2

The following protocols shall be observed in areas placed under Alert Level 2, except for portions thereof under granular lockdown:

- Intrazonal and interzonal travel shall be allowed subject to the reasonable restrictions based on age and comorbidities, as may be determined by the LGUs, which should not be stricter as those prescribed under Alert Level 4 and subject to the oversight, monitoring, and evaluation of their respective RIATF. Provided, that those below eighteen (18) years of age, and those belonging to the vulnerable population, shall be allowed access to obtain essential goods and services, or for work in permitted industries and offices in accordance with existing labor laws, rules, and regulations. Individual outdoor exercises shall also be allowed for all ages regardless of comorbidities or vaccination status.
- 2 Casinos, horse racing, cockfighting and operation of cockpits, lottery and betting shops, and other gaming establishments shall **not be allowed to operate**, **or be undertaken** in areas classified under Alert Level 2 except as may be authorized by the IATF or the Office of the President.
- 3. The following establishments, or activities, shall be allowed to operate, or be undertaken at a maximum of 50% indoor venue capacity for fully vaccinated individuals only and those below 18 years of age, even if unvaccinated, and 70% outdoor venue capacity. Provided, that all workers/employees of these establishments are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and MPHS shall be strictly maintained. Provided further, that there is no objection from the LGU where these activities may take place.
  - a. Venues for meetings, incentives, conferences, and exhibitions (MICE);
  - b. Permitted venues for social events such as parties, wedding receptions, engagement parties, wedding anniversaries, debut and birthday parties, family reunions, and bridal or baby showers;
  - c Visitor or tourist attractions such as libraries, archives, museums, galleries, exhibits, parks, plazas, public gardens, scenic viewpoints or overlooks, and the like;
  - d. Amusement parks or theme parks;
  - e. Recreational venues such as internet cafes, billiard halls, amusement arcades, bowling alleys, skating rinks, archery halls, swimming pools, and similar venues;
  - f. Cinemas and movie houses;
  - g. Limited face-to-face or in-person classes for basic education subject to prior approval of the Office of the President;
  - h. Limited face-to-face or in-person classes for higher education and for technical-vocational education and training;
  - i. In-person religious gatherings; gatherings for necrological services, wakes, inurnment, and funerals for those who died of causes other than COVID-19 and for the cremains of the COVID-19 deceased;
  - j. Licensure or entrance/qualifying examinations administered by their respective government agency, and specialty examinations



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- authorized by the IATF subject to the health and safety guidelines as approved by the IATF;
- k Dine-in services of food preparation establishments such as kiosks, commissaries, restaurants, and eateries, subject to DTI sector-specific protocols;
- Personal care establishments such as barbershops, hair spas, hair salons, and nail spas, and those offering aesthetic/cosmetic services or procedures, make-up services, salons, spas, reflexology, and other similar procedures including home service options, subject to the sector-specific protocols of the DTI;
- m. Fitness studios, gyms, and venues for individual non-contact exercise and sports, subject to DTI sector-specific protocols. Provided that patrons/clients and workers/employees wear face masks at all times and that no group activities are conducted;
- n. Film, music, and television production subject to the joint guidelines as may be issued by the DTI, DOLE, and the DOH;
- o. Contact sports approved by the LGU where such games shall be held;
- p. Funfairs/peryas or kid amusement industries such as playgrounds, playroom, and kiddie rides;
- q. Venues with live voice or wind-instrument performers and audiences such as in karaoke bars, clubs, concert halls, and theaters; and
- r. Gatherings in residences with individuals not belonging to the same household.
- 4. Agencies and instrumentalities of the government shall remain to be fully operational and shall adhere to at least 50% on-site capacity while applying work-from-home and other flexible work arrangements.

#### **SECTION 3. LIFTING OF ADDITIONAL PROHIBITIONS**

#### 3.1 LIFTING OF CURFEW HOURS AND LIQUOR BAN

Curfew hours as well as the prohibition on the sale and purchase of liquor and/or alcoholic beverages shall now be lifted.

# 3.2 LIFTING OF SECURING PERMITS PRIOR TO STAGING EVENTS

- 3.2.1 Without prejudice to the observance of minimum health standards and protocols, securing permits prior to staging events will now be lifted. Event Organizers and/or proponents, however, must still follow the protocols under Alert level 2.
- 3.2.2 Hotels and other venues must ensure that all events being conducted in their premises strictly adhere to the set minimum health protocol and standards.



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### **SECTION 4. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.**

If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Order shall be found unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions thereof which are not affected thereby, shall continue to be in full force and effect.

### Section 5. REPEALING CLAUSE.

Previous issuances or parts thereof in conflict with or inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

## Section 6. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done on the 16th day of February 2022 in Mati City, Davao Oriental, Philippines.

**NELSON L. DAYANGHIRANG** 

Governor/Chairperson, PTF-COVID