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AN ORDER RE-ESTABLISHING THE 24/7 OPERATIONALIZATION OF THE PROVINCIAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE – OPERATION CENTER (PDRRMO-OPCEN), DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS AND OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code mandates 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;

WHEREAS, Section 12 of Republic Act No. 10121, otherwise known as the Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010 states that there shall be established Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (LDRRMO) in every province, city, and municipality which shall be responsible for setting the direction, development, implementation, and coordination of disaster risk management programs within its territorial jurisdiction and to establish a Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Operations Center;

WHEREAS, NDRRMC Memorandum No. 131, series of 2018 defines an Operations Center (OpCen) as a facility for coordination of all operational activities before, during, and after disasters. A designated 24/7 facility that serves as the nerve center for alert dissemination, and monitoring of multi-agency and multi-level operational coordination response and resource mobilization and information management;

WHEREAS, the establishment of a 24/7 Provincial DRRMO Operation Center (PDRRMO-OPCEN) will allow harmonization of response actions of the Provincial Disaster Risk and Reduction and Management Council (PDRRMC) – Response Cluster and other stakeholders to prevent, mitigate, and prepare for the negative impacts on the occurrence of natural or human-induced hazards.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NIÑO SOTERO L. UY, JR., Governor of the Province of Davao Oriental, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby **ORDER** the following:

SECTION 1. *Re-establishment* – the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office – Operation Center (PDRRMO-OpCen) is hereby established under the Provincial DRRM Office.

It shall be provided with appropriate human resources and equipped with physical requirements such as but not limited to, computer systems, communication and monitoring tools, backup power sources, and transportation and response vehicles.

The Provincial Disaster Risk and Reduction Management Council (PDRRMC) Command Center of the Province of Davao Oriental shall be the permanent Operation Center (OpCen) facility (hot site) located at the PDRRMO Compound, Government Center, Brgy. Dahican, City of Mati. It shall be managed by a designated **Operations Center Manager** and staffed with PDRRMO Operations and Warning Division Personnel.

In the event that the PDRRMC Command Center will be rendered inoperable due to the impacts of disaster or incident, the following are identified as Alternate Operation Centers to ensure the continuity of operations and prevent any disruptions, to wit:

- **PDRRMO Main Building (Warm Site)** – located at Government Center, Brgy. Dahican, City of Mati, Davao Oriental
- **Capitol Old Mansion (Cold Site)** – located at Capitol Hills, Brgy. Central, City of Mati, Davao Oriental
- **Provincial Health Office's DRRM-H Building (Cold Site)** – located at DOPMC Compound, Brgy. Matiao, City of Mati, Davao Oriental

SECTION 2. Functions and Responsibilities – the PDRRMO Operation Center shall perform the following functions, namely:

- a. Shall be the 24/7 facility that will serve as the nerve center for alert dissemination and monitoring of multi-agency and multi-level operational coordination of response and rescue mobilization and information management of PDRRMC;
- b. Maintain close coordination with the Regional DRRM OpCen, other Provincial DRRM Operations Centers within the Davao Region, and with the Local DRRMO Operations Centers in the province;
- c. Operate and maintain an emergency hotline through a diverse platform of communication systems (landline, mobile phone, VHF radio, and social media) that is accessible and manned by dedicated personnel;
- d. Shall undertake regular situation monitoring with periodic release of reports, warnings, and advisories in accordance with the mandates and authorities of the concerned agency or authorities during normal conditions;
- e. Shall be the venue in the conduct of Pre-Disaster Risk Assessment (PDRA); and
- f. Shall be the marshaling area and staging point of Rapid Damage Assessment and Needs Analysis (RDANA) Team and consolidate, analyze, and evaluate reports of the RDANA Team to the PDRRMC.

SECTION 3. Transformation of Operation Center into Emergency Operation Center (EOC) – During emergencies or disaster situations, the Operation Center shall be transformed into an Emergency Operation Center (EOC) and undertake multi-stakeholder functions appropriate to the agency or organization such as, but not limited to the dissemination of warnings and advisories, development and release of situation reports, development of common operating picture for a response, facilitation of acquiring, assignment, and tracking of resources to be dispatch and deployed on-scene in the context of ICS and Response Clusters.

Activation and operationalization of the Emergency Operation Center (EOC) shall be in accordance with National DRRM Council Memorandum No. 131 series of 2018 dated October 25, 2018, which provides the guidelines on the establishment and operationalization, and management of EOCs by the DRRM Councils at all levels.

SECTION 4. Funding – the following guidelines shall govern the availability of, access to, use, and accounting of funds related to the maintenance and operations of the PDRRMO Operation Center and the PDRRMC EOC, if necessary.

- a. NDRRMC-DBM-DILG Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2013-1 dated March 25, 2013, which serves as a guide to LGUs in the allocation and use of 5% Local DRRM Fund and to enhance transparency and accountability in the use of LDRRMF; and
- b. Section 9.1.7.2 of National DRRM Council Memorandum No. 131 series of 2018 dated October 25, 2018, which states that “*at the local level, funding for the establishment, maintenance, and operations of EOCs shall form part of the projects and activities to be sourced against the LDRRMF. The said funding will be incorporated in the Local DRRM Plan and integrated in the approved AIP of the LGU*”.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause – Previous executive issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed, superseded, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. 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 7. Effectivity – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon approval.

Done this 0CT 19 day of 2023 2023 in the City of Mati, Davao Oriental, Philippines.


NIÑO SOTERO L. UY, JR.
Governor