

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 41st REGULAR SESSION OF THE 14TH SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF THE PROVINCE OF AURORA HELD AT THE SP SESSION HALL, PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, BALER, AURORA ON JULY 7, 2020.

PRESENT:

HON. CHRISTIAN M. NOVERAS,	Vice Governor & Presiding Officer
HON. MARIANO C. TANGSON,	Regular Member, 1 st District
HON. ISIDRO P. GALBAN,	Regular Member, 1 st District
HON. JESUS V. PALMERO,	Regular Member, 1 st District
HON. PHILIP BUTCH M. BAUTISTA,	Regular Member, 1 st District
HON. JENNIFER A. ARAÑA,	Regular Member, 2 nd District
HON. EUGENE B. CALUGTONG,	Regular Member, 2 nd District
HON. LORDAN B. ROXAS,	Regular Member, 2 nd District
HON. NICASIO M. SALAMERA,	Regular Member, 2 nd District
HON. RAFAEL M. DE MAYO,	Ex-Officio Member, LnB Pres.
HON. JOVENE MIKE B. ALPUERTO,	Ex-Officio Member, SKF President
HON. MARY JANE B. DONATO,	Ex-Officio Member, IPMR
HON. ONASIS Q. RONQUILLO,	Ex-Officio Member, PCL Pres.

ABSENT:

NONE

ORDINANCE NO. 326

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CENTENARIAN AWARD TO QUALIFIED RESIDENTS OF THE PROVINCE, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Sponsored by Hon. Nicasio M. Salamera

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in the regular session duly assembled, that:

SECTION 1. Title. – This Ordinance shall be known as, **“The Centenarian Award to Qualified Residents of the Province”**.

SECTION 2. Purposes. – The purposes of this ordinance are the following:

- a. To give full recognition to every qualified centenarian resident of the province;
- b. To give tribute and recognition to residents of Aurora who have reached one hundred (100) years of age;
- c. To encourage families to demonstrate the valued Filipino tradition of caring for the elderly; and
- d. To express love and concern to the centenarian resident of the province.

SECTION 3. Statement of State Policy. – The Constitution provides that it is the policy of the State to provide social justice in all phases of national development and shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost.

There shall be priority for the needs of underprivileged, sick, elderly and disabled persons. Article XV, Section 4 of the Constitution further declares that it is the duty of the family to take care of its elderly members and the State may design programs of social security for them.

SECTION 4. Definition of Terms. -

a. **Centenarian** – refers to the resident of Aurora who is one hundred (100) years of age and qualified to receive the grant.

b. **Senior Citizen** – refers to one who is sixty (60) years old or above. It may apply to a senior citizen with "dual citizenship" provided there is proof of being a Filipino citizen and has at least one (1) year of residency in the province.

c. **Identification Document** – refers to any document or proof of being a centenarian or senior citizen, which must be presented to avail of the cash award.

SECTION 5. Benefits and Privileges. – This ordinance shall provide the following benefits and privileges to all residents of Aurora who reached the age of one hundred (100) years old, to wit:

- a. One time cash incentive of Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php50,000.00) from the Provincial Government;
- b. Plaque of Recognition as a Centenarian Awardee to be issued by the Governor and the PSWDO;
- c. Sanggunian Panlalawigan resolution recognizing the Centenarian Awardee; and
- d. Certificate of Commendation from the Provincial Government, which shall be awarded to the family of the centenarian.

SECTION 6. Qualifications and Requirements.

- a. The centenarian shall be a permanent resident of the province for at least one year before his/her 100th year, as certified by the Punong Barangay where he/she resides;
- b. The centenarian awardee shall be personally present to receive the award from the provincial officials and the PSWDO in a fitting ceremony. If bedridden or is confined in a hospital, the awarding shall be done in his/her residence or in the hospital where the centenarian lives or is being confined.
- c. Two (2) of the following Identification documents that must be presented to prove the centenarian's age, to wit:
 - 1) Certificate of live birth or Birth Certificate of First Born Child;
 - 2) Senior citizen ID issued by the OSCA in the municipality where the centenarian resides;

- 3) Any government issued ID indicating the centenarian's birthdate; and
- 4) An affidavit of two disinterested persons and other documents such as photo or other proof to support the claim.

SECTION 7. The Screening and Evaluation Committee.

A. Composition of the Screening and Evaluation Committee

1. Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer
2. Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer
3. SP Chairperson, Committee on Social Welfare
4. SB Chairperson, Committee on Social Welfare
5. Punong Barangay of the centenarian's residence-barangay
6. Barangay Kagawad in charge of Social Welfare
7. President, Barangay Senior Citizen's Association
8. Representative from the Office of the Senior Citizen Affairs (OSCA)

B. Functions of the Committee

1. The majority of its members shall exclusively determine whether or not the centenarian is qualified to avail of the award;
2. The majority of its members shall recommend to the Governor the granting of the award to the qualified centenarian within three (3) working days after their evaluation of the qualifications;
3. The Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development (PSWDO) shall certify the list of the centenarian for budgeting purposes; and
4. The family of the centenarian shall facilitate the application for the Centenarian Gift or claim of PhP 50,000.00.

SECTION 8. Budgetary Allocation. – There shall be made available an allocation of the amount as incentive to be given to the centenarian awardee in a supplemental budget or in an annual budget of the Provincial Government.


SECTION 9. Separability Clause. – If for any reason, any portion or provision of this Code is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause. – All ordinances, resolutions, circulars, memoranda, or rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed and modified accordingly.

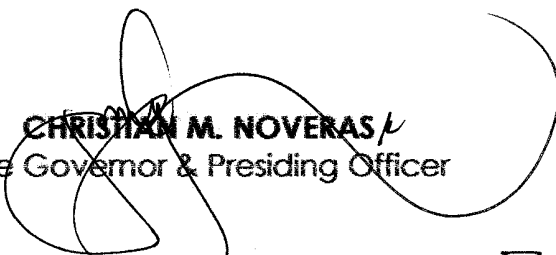
SECTION 11. Effectivity Clause. – This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its approval and posting in conspicuous places of the Provincial Capitol and the Municipal Hall in the eight (8) municipalities in the province.

ENACTED this 7th of July 2020.

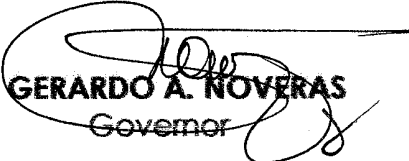
I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance.


MARIA OLIVIA D. MAZA
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


CHRISTIAN M. NOVERAS
Vice Governor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED, by His honor, the Governor on July 14, 2020.


GERARDO A. NOVERAS
Governor