



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR  
Municipality of Molave



**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN**

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 139<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR SESSION/23<sup>RD</sup> MOBILE SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN (11<sup>TH</sup> MUNICIPAL COUNCIL UNDER THE LGC OF 1991) OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MOLAVE, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR HELD AT THE SESSION HALL OF BARANGAY MALOLOY-ON ON JUNE 18, 2025 AT 9:00 A.M.

Officers/Members	Position	Present	Absent	Remarks
Hon. Monalisa J. Glepa	Mun. Vice Mayor		✓	O.B.
Hon. Desiderio L. Jabello	SB Member	✓		
Hon. Cornelio R. Salinas	SB Member	✓		P.O.
Hon. Joel M. Geromo	SB Member	✓		
Hon. Jacosalem A. Perong, Jr.	SB Member	✓		
Hon. Jonathan S. Uy	SB Member	✓		
Hon. Illuwil D. Orbita	SB Member	✓		
Hon. Ricardo P. Golez	SB Member	✓		
Hon. Leonila J. Bermejo	SB Member	✓		
Hon. Earl Louise A. Glepa, LNB Pres.	Ex-Officio Member	✓		
Hon. Charina A. Jordan, SKF Pres.	Ex-Officio Member	✓		

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 11<sup>th</sup>-158-2025**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11036, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "MENTAL HEALTH ACT" AND INSTITUTIONALIZING A COMPREHENSIVE MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MOLAVE, ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution declares that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instil health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11036, or the "Mental Health Act", was enacted to establish a national mental health policy directed towards improving mental health services, promoting mental well-being, and protecting the rights of people with mental health needs;

WHEREAS, there is a pressing need to promote mental health awareness, remove stigma, and ensure the accessibility of community-based mental health services to residents of the Municipality of Molave;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Molave, in session duly assembled, that:

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This ordinance shall be known as the "Mental Health Ordinance of the Municipality of Molave".

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.** It is the policy of the Municipality of Molave to promote and protect the mental health and well-being of all its residents. This Ordinance aims to align municipal health policies with the provisions of Republic Act No. 11036.

**SECTION 3. OBJECTIVES.** This Ordinance shall have the following objectives:

1. To integrate mental health service into primary care and local health systems;
2. To promote mental health awareness through education, campaigns, and trainings;

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- 3. To establish partnerships with schools, workplaces, and community organizations;
- 4. To protect the rights and dignity of persons with mental health conditions;
- 5. To institutionalize a Municipal Mental Health Program (MMHP).

**SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS.** For the purposes of this ordinance, the following terms are defined:

- a. **Deinstitutionalization-** refers to the process of transitioning service users, including persons with mental health conditions and psychosocial disabilities, from institutional and other segregated settings, to community-based settings that enable social participation, recovery-based approaches to mental health, and individualized care in accordance with the service user's will and preference.
- b. **Informed Consent-** refers to consent voluntarily given by a service user to a plan for treatment or hospitalization, or information regarding one's own condition;
- c. **Mental Health-** a state of well-being in which an individual realizes one's abilities, can cope with normal stresses, can work productively, and can contribute to the community;
- d. **Mental Health Condition-** a neurologic or psychiatric condition characterized by the existence of a recognizable, clinically significant disturbance in behavior, mood, cognition or emotional regulation;
- e. **Mental Health Facility-** refers to any establishment, or any unit of an establishment, which has, as its primary function, the provision of mental health services;
- f. **Mental Health Service-** refer to a psychosocial psychiatric or neurologic activities and programs along the whole range of the mental health support services including promotion, treatment and aftercare, which are provided by mental health facilities and mental health professionals.
- g. **Municipal Mental Health Program (MMHP)-** a comprehensive program initiated by the LGU integrating mental health services into its primary care and community-based health systems.

**SECTION 5. MUNICIPAL MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM (MMHP).** A Municipal Mental Health Program shall be established under the Office of the Municipal Health Officer which shall be implemented by the Municipal Health Office (MHO) in close collaboration with the Municipal Social Welfare Development Office (MSWDO), Barangay Health Workers (BHW), Schools and relevant stakeholders, which shall:

- a. Deliver community-based mental health service;
- b. Train barangay health workers and professionals on basic mental health care;
- c. Establish referral systems provincial or regional mental health facilities; and
- d. Conduct regular mental health promotion activities.

**SECTION 6. CREATION OF THE MUNICIPAL MENTAL HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL (MMHCC).** There is hereby created a Municipal Mental Health Coordinating Council (MMHCC) to oversee the planning, implementation and monitoring of the MMHP. The council shall be composed of:

Chairperson:                      Municipal Mayor  
Vice Chairperson:              Municipal Health Officer



Members:

- MSWDO
- SB Chairman, Committee on Health
- MPDC
- SKF President
- DepEd District Supervisors
- NGO or CSO representative on Health/Mental health
- One representative from PWD or mental health advocates

The MMHCC shall meet at least quarterly and may create technical working groups as needed.

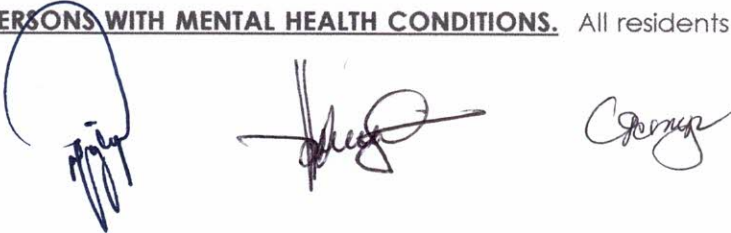
- SECTION 7. FUNCTIONS.** The functions of the MMHCC shall include the following:
- a. Review, formulate and develop the regulations and guidelines necessary to implement an effective mental health care and wellness policy within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Molave, including recommendations for the passage of local legislation on the subject of mental health;
  - b. Integrate mental health care services in the basic health care services, and ensure that mental health services are provided in primary health care facilities and hospitals within the Municipality of Molave;
  - c. Establish training programs necessary to enhance the capacity of mental health service providers at the Municipal Level, in coordination with appropriate national government agencies and other stakeholders;
  - d. Promote de-institutionalization and other recovery-based approaches to the delivery of mental health care services;
  - e. Refer mental health patients to mental health facilities, professionals, workers and other service providers for appropriate care;
  - f. Establish a multi-sectoral stakeholder network for the identification, management and prevention of mental health conditions.

**SECTION 8. SECRETARIAT.** The Rural Health Unit, with the Municipal Health Officer as the lead, shall form the Secretariat, who shall perform the functions essential to the proper, effective and expeditious discharge of the functions of the MMHCC.

- SECTION 9. INTEGRATION INTO BARANGAY HEALTH SERVICES.** Barangay Health Workers and Barangay Health Stations shall be capacitated and mobilized to:
- a. Identify and refer individuals showing signs of mental health conditions;
  - b. Conduct awareness sessions at the barangay level;
  - c. Coordinate with the MHO for follow-up and documentation;
  - d. Serve as frontline mental health responders during community crises or emergencies.

- SECTION 10. INTEGRATION WITH EDUCATIONAL AND WORKPLACE SETTINGS.** The Municipal Government shall work with schools and local businesses to:
- a. Incorporate mental health care and treatment;
  - b. Encourage implementation of mental wellness programs in workplaces;
  - c. Promote mental health first aid and peer support systems.

**SECTION 11. RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS.** All residents shall have the right to:



- a. Access mental health care and treatment;
- b. Be free from stigma, discrimination, and inhumane treatment;
- c. Confidentiality and informed consent in mental services; and
- d. Participate in mental health advocacy and planning.

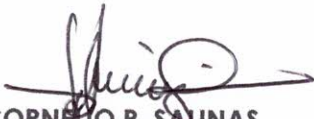
**SECTION 12. FUNDING.** An amount shall be allocated in the annual budget under the Municipal Health Office for the implementation of this Ordinance. Subsequent funding shall be included in the Annual Investment Plan.

**SECTION 13. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 14. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after its approval and posting.

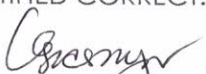
ENACTED, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025 at Barangay Maloloy-on, Molave, Zamboanga del Sur.

ATTESTED & DULY CERTIFIED:

  
**CORNELIO R. SALINAS**  
*SB Member/Presiding Officer*

APPROVED:

  
**CYRIL REO A. GLEPA, M.D.**  
*Municipal Mayor*  
7-01-25  
*Date*

CERTIFIED CORRECT:  
  
**ELIZABETH C. SAYSON**  
*Secretary to the Sanggunian*