



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 53<sup>rd</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN (12<sup>TH</sup> MUNICIPAL COUNCIL UNDER THE LGC OF 1991) OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MOLAVE, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR HELD AT SB SESSION HALL ON JULY 14, 2026 AT 9:00 A.M.

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

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 12<sup>th</sup>-52-2026

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE ACT OF APPEARING TOPLESS, HALF-NAKED OR PARTIALLY UNDRESSED IN PUBLIC PLACES WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MOLAVE, ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF.

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provides that local government units shall exercise the powers which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare through efficient and responsive governance;

WHEREAS, Memorandum Circular No. 2026-029 of the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) dated April 8, 2026 is calling on local government units to implement "Safer Cities" initiatives within their respective jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, Section 447(a)(1)(vi) of the Local Government Code authorizes municipalities to enact ordinances intended to protect public safety, preserve peace and order, promote public morals, and maintain the comfort and convenience of inhabitants;

WHEREAS, the of appearing topless, half-naked, or partially undressed in public places, when done in a manner causing public alarm, scandal, offense, or disturbance, may adversely affect public order and community welfare;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Molave, Zamboanga del Sur, in session assembled;

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as "Public Decency and Public Order Ordinance of Molave, Zamboanga del Sur."

**SECTION 2. COVERAGE.** This Ordinance shall apply to all persons within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Molave.

**SECTION 3. PURPOSE.** This Ordinance is enacted to promote public order, protect the general welfare, preserve peace and decency in public places, and maintain a safe, orderly, and comfortable environment for all residents and visitors within the Municipality of Molave. It further aims to regulate acts of appearing topless, half naked, or partially undressed in public places in a manner causing public alarm scandal, offense or disturbance.

**SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS.** For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

- 1.) Public Place – refers to any place accessible or open to the general public, whether publicly or privately owned, including streets, roads, sidewalks, parks, plazas, markets, terminals, public transportation facilities, and similar areas;
- 2.) Topless, Half Naked or Partially Undressed – refers to the intentional exposure of intimate body areas, undergarments or private body parts in a public place in a manner causing public alarm, scandal, offense, or disturbance, excluding customary attire in authorized places or lawful activities;
- 3.) Indecent Exposure – refers to the deliberate and public exposure of private body parts with intent to offend, alarm, harass, or affront public decency.

**SECTION 5. PROHIBITED ACTS.** It shall be unlawful to any person to commit any of the following acts in public places:

- a.) Appear in public places in a state of full nudity;
- b.) Appear topless, Half-Naked or partially undressed in a manner causing public alarm, scandal, offense or disturbance;
- c.) Deliberately expose private body parts or intimate areas in streets, parks, plazas, markets, terminals, public transportation facilities, or similar public places;
- d.) Engage in indecent exposure in public places; or
- e.) Aid, induce, or intentionally facilitate the commission of prohibited acts under this Ordinance.

**SECTION 6. EXCEPTIONS.** The prohibition on public nudity and the act of being topless or half naked in public spaces shall not apply under the following circumstances:

- 1.) Swimming pools, resorts, bathing areas or similar tourism-related places where such attire is customary and permitted;
- 2.) Medical Emergencies or medical procedures requiring removal of clothing for treatment;
- 3.) Breastfeeding by mothers in public places;
- 4.) Cultural, artistic, educational, religious or theatrical performances/activities;
- 5.) Private properties or residences not open to the general public.
- 6.) Persons engaged in lawful work, sports, exercise, athletic events, construction work, agricultural labor, or emergency response activities or similar lawful activities where removal of upper garments is reasonably necessary.

**SECTION 7. PENALTIES.** Any person found violating the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon determination, be penalized by a fine as follows:

| VIOLATION                         | PENALTY                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| First (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Offense  | Warning                                                                                                              |
| Second (2 <sup>nd</sup> ) Offense | Php 500.00 Fine                                                                                                      |
| Third (3 <sup>rd</sup> ) Offense  | Php 1,000.00 Fine                                                                                                    |
| Succeeding/Subsequent Offenses    | Php 2,500.00 Fine or imprisonment for a period not exceeding six (6) months, or both at the discretion of the court. |

**SECTION 8. ENFORCEMENT.** The Molave Ordinance Enforcers in coordination and support with the Molave PNP and Barangay Officials are hereby directed to strictly enforce this ordinance. The enforcement shall be conducted with due regard to constitutional rights, human dignity and non-discriminatory application. No person shall be subjected to unreasonable, arbitrary or discriminatory enforcement.

**SECTION 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If for any reason, any provision, portion or part of this ordinance found to be inconsistent with any law, other provisions or part/s thereof not so affected shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 10. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All ordinances, rules, and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 11. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect after approval and publication or posting in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

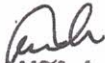
ENACTED, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2026 at Molave, Zamboanga del Sur.



CERTIFIED CORRECT:

  
**JUNARD C. SAYSON**  
*A.O. 170.I.C*

ATTESTED & DULY CERTIFIED:

  
**MONALISA J. GLEPA, R.N.**  
*Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer*

APPROVED:

  
**CYRIL REO A. GLEPA, M.D.**  
*Municipal Mayor*  
4/22/24  
*Date*



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY TO THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

PROOF OF SERVICE

**Municipal Ordinance No. 12<sup>th</sup>-50-2026**

AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE MUNICIPAL WELLNESS LEAVE PROGRAM FOR QUALIFIED JOB ORDER AND CONTRACT OF SERVICE PERSONNEL OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF MOLAVE, ADOPTING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION WELLNESS LEAVE POLICY UNDER CSC RESOLUTION NO. 2501292 AND ITS IMPLEMENTING ISSUANCES, PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

| OFFICE | NAME (Receiver)                               | SIGNATURE | DATE RECEIVED |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| MO     | CHESSAV. ESIN                                 |           | 7/24/26       |
| MPDO   | GWYNETH SYBIL BATACAN                         |           | 7/24/26       |
| HRMO   | JOSE BENSIL A. BARRERA                        |           | 7/24/26       |
| MBO    | Thelma Fajon                                  |           | 7/24/26       |
| MAccO  | DAISY MAY A. MONTERNEL                        |           | 7-24-26       |
| MTO    | ROELYN M. LAGAR<br>Acting Municipal Treasurer |           | 7-24-26       |
|        |                                               |           |               |

**Municipal Ordinance No. 12<sup>th</sup>-51-2026**

AN ORDINANCE STRENGTHENING THE PROTECTION AND WELFARE OF MINORS THROUGH THE IMPOSITION OF CURFEW HOURS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MOLAVE, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

| OFFICE           | NAME (Receiver)       | SIGNATURE | DATE RECEIVED |
|------------------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------|
| MO               | CHESSAV. ESIN         |           | 7/24/26       |
| MPDO             | GWYNETH SYBIL BATACAN |           | 7/24/26       |
| MSWD             | Mary Rose C. Barayan  |           | 7/24/26       |
| Head of Enforcer | Mr. Jingle Jabello    |           | 7/24/26       |
| MPNP             | PERC. COMB. HR        |           | 7/24/26       |

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| MO               | CHESSAV. ESIN         |           | 7/24/26       |
| MPDO             | GWYNETH SYBIL BATACAN |           | 7/24/26       |
| MLGOO            | N. DOMASASA           |           | 07/24/26      |
| Head of Enforcer | Mr. Jingle Jabello    |           | 7/24/26       |
| MPNP             | PERC. COMB. HR        |           | 7/24/26       |



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**CERTIFICATION OF INFORMATION DISSEMINATION**

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 12TH-52-2026** - AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE ACT OF APPEARING TOPLESS, HALF-NAKED OR PARTIALLY UNDRESSED IN PUBLIC PLACES WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY PLACES WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MOLAVE, ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF.

This is to **certify** that, in compliance with the mandatory requirements for the dissemination of ordinances, **Municipal Ordinance No. 12th-52-2026** has been properly disseminated through the following methods:

**1. Posting in Conspicuous Places**

The ordinance was posted for a minimum period of three consecutive weeks in the following conspicuous public locations within the Municipality of Molave:

POSTED IN:

Location

Sangguniang Bayan Bulletin Board  
Municipal Building  
Public Market  
Molave Integrated Bus and Jeepney Terminal

CERTIFIED BY:

Name, Signature & Date of Posting

DAISY JEAN APRI JUL 24 2026  
ROELYN M. LAGAR  
Acting Municipal Treasurer 7-24-26  
CHRINA L. TANTAN 7-24-26  
JESSIE GLENN C. ALEGADO 7-24-26

Posted by: DANIELA FRANZ DUNASIG  
(Name and Signature of Posting Officer)

**2. Online Dissemination**

For broader public access, the ordinance may also be posted on the following official platforms:

Legislative Website: [sbmolave.net](http://sbmolave.net)  
LGU Website: [molave.gov.ph](http://molave.gov.ph)  
LGU Molave Legislative / Sangguniang Bayan Molave



**3. Public Announcement via Radio Station**

The content and summary of the ordinance have also been broadcast over local radio station, ensuring wider reach and public awareness.

CERTIFIED BY:

NAME&SIGNATURE  
DATE

CERTIFIED BY:

JULIE R. PEDRERO  
RADIO BROADCAST PRESENTER  
DXAB 106.9 FM  
RADIO PILIPINAS MOLAVE  
Junard C. Sayson  
A.O. V. OIC-Secretary  
7/24/26  
Date