

Republic of the Philippines Province of Cavite City of Imus

OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 015

Series of 2023

AN ORDER DEPUTIZING THE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICE IN THE CITY OF IMUS

WHEREAS, Section 16, Article II of the 1987 Constitution that the State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code of 1991 states that local government units shall share with the national government the responsibility in the management and maintenance of ecological balance within their territorial jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, City Ordinance No. 02-55, series of 2015, or the Environment Code of the City of Imus, provides measures to be initiated by the local chief executive;

WHEREAS, Section 15 (A) (b) (ii) of the same code provides that the City Mayor shall issue executive orders necessary for the proper enforcement and executions of the Code;

WHEREAS, Section 18 (A) of the same code provides that a Task Force for Enforcement shall be one of the operating groups under the City Environment and Natural Resources Office;

WHEREAS, the City of Imus shall establish and enact a comprehensive program of environmental protection and management;

NOW, therefore, **I**, **ALEX L. ADVINCULA**, Mayor of the City of Imus, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the deputization of the Task Force for Enforcement with the following provisions:

Section 1. COMPOSITION. - The City Environment and Natural Resources Office, as the Chief Operating Officer on all matters concerning the City's Environment and Natural Resources, shall establish a Task Force on Enforcement, otherwise known as "Environmental Police", and assign at least ten (10) personnel from their office to perform the duties and responsibilities as provided by the Environment Code and this Order.



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Section 2. FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES. - The Environmental Police shall have the following functions and responsibilities:

- a. Enforce the Environment Code of Imus specifically on city's waste management program;
- b. Issue apprehension ticket;
- Participate in court proceedings for the speedy disposition of civil or criminal complaints against violators of all related laws, rules, issuances, and orders;
- d. Assist in the conduct of environment and natural resources information and education campaign;
- e. Any other functions as necessary and designated by CENRO.

Section 3. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. - If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 4. EFFECTIVITY. - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

City Mayor 🏏

DONE and **SIGNED** this 27th day of March 2023 at City of Imus, Cavite.