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**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 120th REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF CAVITE HELD ON MARCH 11, 2013 AT SP SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, TRECE MARTIRES CITY**

**PRESENT:**

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Hon. Marcos C. Amutan	Board Member, 5 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Aristides Jose D. Velazco	Board Member, 5 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Maurito C. Sison	CCL President

**ABSENT:**

Hon. Hermogenes C. Arayata III	Board Member, 6 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Albert G. Ambagan, Jr.	Board Member, 6 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Ramon Jolo B. Revilla III	Liga ng mga Barangay Pres.
Hon. Meldon G. de Sagun	SK Provincial Fed. President

**PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2013-007**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE "GREENING PROGRAM" WITHIN THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE**

Sponsored by: **HON. ARISTIDES JOSE VIRGILIO DE ASIS VELAZCO,**  
 Co-Sponsored: **Hon. Irene De Padua Bencito, Hon. Dino Carlo R. Chua, Hon. Ryan R. Enriquez, Hon. Edwin E. Malvar, Hon. Rolando S. Remulla, Hon. Rodrigo P. Arguelles Sr., Hon. Teofilo B. Lara, Hon. Larry Boy S. Nato, Hon. Raul Rex D. Mangubat, Hon. Marcos C. Amutan, Hon. Hermogenes C. Arayata III, Hon. Albert G. Ambagan, Hon. Virgilio T. Ambion, Hon. Maurito C. Sison, Hon. Ramon Jolo B. Revilla Jr., and Hon. Meldon G. De Sagun**

WHEREAS, on 24 February 2011, the office of His Excellency Benigno S. Aquino III, President of the Philippines, issued Executive Order No. 26 also known as the National Greening Program or NGP of the Philippines.

WHEREAS, such order aims to attain poverty reduction, resource conservation and protection, productivity enhancement, climate change mitigation and adaptation, which are among the priority programs of the government.

WHEREAS, to attain its goal, the order mandates the consolidation and harmonization of all greening efforts such as Upland Development Program, Luntiang Pilipinas and similar initiatives of the government, civil society and private sector under a National Greening Program;

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WHEREAS, this also mandated all local government units to become part and be involved in the implementation of the National Greening Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Velasco, duly seconded by all the Members present, be it ordained by the Sangguninang Pantlalawigan of Cavite in session duly assembled that:

Section 1. **Short Title.** This ordinance shall be known and cited as the "Cavite Greening Program Ordinance".

Section 2. **Declaration of Policy.** It is hereby declare the policy of Provincial Government to pursue sustainable development for poverty reduction, food security, biodiversity conservation, and climate change mitigation and adaptation.

Section 3. **Definition of Terms.** For purposes of this ordinance, the following terms are defined:

- 3.1 CGP- Cavite Greening Program
- 3.2. PG-ENRO- Provincial Government –Environment and Natural Resources Office
- 3.3. MENRO-Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office
- 3.4. CENRO – City Environment and Natural Resources Office
- 3.5. DILG – Department of Interior and Local Government
- 3.6. DENR – Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- 3.7 DA – Department of Agriculture
- 3.8 DPWH – Department of Public Works and Highways
- 3.9 LGU –Local Government Unit
- 3.10 DAR – Department of Agrarian Reform
- 3.11 DepED – Department of Education
- 3.12 CHED – Commission on Higher Education
- 3.13 PSWD- Provincial of Social Welfare and Development
- 3.14 PBO- Provincial Budget Office
- 3.15 PHO –Provincial Health Office
- 3.16 GSO –General Services Office
- 3.17 COPS- Cavite Office of Public Safety
- 3.18 OPG- Office of the Provincial Governor
- 3.19 IT- Information Technology
- 3.20 TESDA –Technical Education and Skills Development Authority
- 3.21 Forestlands - an area or region covered with forests or reserved for forests
- 3.22 Mangrove- any of various coastal or aquatic tropical trees or shrubs, esp. of the mangrove family, that form large colonies in swamps or shallow water and provide a habitat for young fish and shrimp
- 3.23 Urban areas - a geographical area constituting a city or town
- 3.24 Biodiversity - the number and variety of organisms found within a specified geographic region
- 3.25 Arbor Day- a day designated for planting trees which has been institutionalized to be observed every June 25 throughout the nation

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- 3.26 *Poverty reduction* is often used as a short-hand for promoting economic growth that will permanently lift as many people as possible over a poverty line
- 3.27 *Climate change mitigation* - is action to decrease the intensity of radiative forcing in order to reduce the potential effects of global warming
- 3.28 *Adaptation* - to the adverse effects of climate change is vital in order to reduce the impacts of climate change that are happening now and increase resilience to future impacts
- 3.29 *Consolidation* - the process of uniting ; the quality or state of being united
- 3.30 *Harmonization* - adjustment of differences and inconsistencies among different measurements, methods, procedures, schedules, specifications or systems to make them uniform or mutually compatible
- 3.31 *Jurisdiction* - is the legal boundary of an authority
- 3.32 *Plantation* - is a long artificially established forest, farm or estate, where crops are grown for sale, often in distant markets rather than for local on-site consumption
- 3.33 *Mobilization* - act of marshaling and organizing and making ready for use or action
- 3.34 *Propagule* - is any plant material used for the purpose of plant propagation
- 3.35 *Nursery* - is a place where plants are propagated and grown to usable size
- 3.36 *Endemic*- occurring or existing only in a particular country or area or among a certain group
- 3.37 *Indigenous*- Originating naturally in a (specified) place or country native

**Section 4. Coverage.** The Cavite Greening Program shall be implemented by the Province of Cavite and shall contribute to plant target seedlings for a period of three (3) years from 2013 to 2016, in the following lands of the public domain within its territorial jurisdiction;

- 4.1 Forestlands
- 4.2 Mangrove and protected areas
- 4.3 Ancestral domains
- 4.4 Civil and military reservations
- 4.5 Urban areas under the greening plan of the LGUs
- 4.6 Inactive and abandoned mine sites; and
- 4.7 Other suitable lands

**Section 5. Strategies and Mechanisms.** In order to ensure the successful implementation of the Cavite Greening Program, the following strategies shall be adopted by the Provincial Government of Cavite:

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**5.1 Social Mobilization**

5.1.1 All local government units within the territorial jurisdiction shall be actively involved in the implementation of the CGP.

5.1.2 All students within the Province of Cavite, as per DepEd Order No. 33-S-2008 and all government employees shall be individually required to donate a minimum of ten (10) seeds of fruit and non-fruit bearing trees per year to the Nursery under the PG-ENRO, MENRO/CENRO and provide support during the tree planting activity in areas to be determined by DENR-Cavite, PG-ENRO and concerned LGU

5.1.3 With appropriate assistance from the provincial government and the private sector, the PG-ENRO shall be given the primary responsibility of maintaining and protecting the established plantations.

**5.2 Harmonization of Initiatives**

5.2.1 All trees planting initiatives of the Province and similar activities of the Government, private sector, LGUs and the civil society shall be harmonized under the Cavite Greening Program.

5.2.2 All government institutions, especially DA, DAR, DENR, CHED, DepEd and PG-ENRO within the jurisdiction of the province shall produce appropriate quality seedlings annually for the CGP. Technical Assistance shall be provided by DA, DENR, and DAR under the Committee (in coordination with the Convergence Initiative).

5.2.3 Monthly Cavite Arbor day will be implemented in the Province and to be hosted by selected LGU. The selection of host municipality, necessary seedlings and mobilization of volunteers shall be headed by the PG-ENRO. Monthly tree planting shall be done from May to November and propagation shall be from December to April every year.

**5.3 Monitoring and Management of Database**

5.3.1 The DA, DAR, DENR and PG-ENRO (within the jurisdiction of the province) shall develop a centralized database and provide regular monitoring and timely report on the progress of the CGP. The PG-ENRO shall provide personnel to conduct the monitoring of the planted seedlings two (2) months after the planting materials have been planted.

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**Section 6. Partner Agencies/Stakeholders.** The CGP shall be implemented in partnership with the following agencies/stakeholders, whose responsibilities shall include but not limited to the following:

**6.1 DA – DAR - DENR-Cavite**

- 5.1.1 Nursery establishment and seedling production
- 5.1.2 Site Identification and site preparation
- 5.1.3 Social Mobilization
- 5.1.4 Tree planting
- 5.1.5 Monitoring and evaluation
- 5.1.6 Technical support and extension services
- 5.1.7 Provision of certified seeds of agronomic crops
- 5.1.8 Provision of access roads and trails to planting site
- 5.1.9 Provision of post harvest and processing facilities
- 5.1.10 Technical assistance in product development and Marketing

**6.2 Department of Education (DepEd)**

- 6.2.1 Student Mobilization
- 6.2.2 Nursery establishment, seedling production and tree planting
- 6.2.3 Information, Education and Communication
- 6.2.4 Provision of Extension services
- 6.2.5 Monitoring and Evaluation

**6.3 Provincial Government–Environment and Natural Resources Office (PG-ENRO)**

- 6.3.1 Spearhead the Cavite Monthly Arbor Day for the Province
- 6.3.2 Nursery establishment and seedling propagation
- 6.3.3 Site preparation
- 6.3.4 Logistical support
- 6.3.5 Technical assistance and extension of services
- 6.3.6 Information, Education and Communication

**6.4 Provincial Budget Office (PBO)**

- 6.4.1 Allocation of funds for all activities of the CGP

**6.5 Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG)-Cavite**

- 6.5.1 Provision of transportation, security and fire protection amenities
- 6.5.2 Information, Education and Communication

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**6.6 All City and Municipality within the Province**

- 6.6.1 Establishment of nurseries and production of planting materials
- 6.6.2 Development of greening plan for urban and suburban areas
- 6.6.3 Lead the establishment of communal tree farms for firewood and other domestic uses
- 6.6.4 Construction of access roads and trails to the planting sites
- 6.6.5 Technical assistance and extension of services

**6.7 Provincial Health Office (PHO)**

- 6.7.1 Provision of transportation and medical support

**6.8 Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)-Cavite**

- 6.8.1 Provision of transportation in the hauling of seedlings and volunteer planters
- 6.8.2 Assistance in the construction of access roads and trails to the planting sites

**6.9 General Services Office (GSO)**

- 6.9.1 Provision for transport for participants
- 6.9.2 Provision of communication

**6.10 Cavite Office of Public Safety (COPS)**

- 6.10.1 Provision of transportation support
- 6.10.2 Provision of security

**6.11 Office of the Provincial Governor (OPG) - Information Technology (IT)**

**Division**

- 6.11.1 Development and Transfer of appropriate technologies
- 6.11.2 Information, Education and Communication

**6.12 Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)**

- 6.12.1 Technical Assistance in products development

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**8.13 All other government agencies, instrumentalities, including government-owned and controlled corporations (GOCCs), State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), within the jurisdiction of the province shall provide full support and assistance to the CGP.**

**Section 7. Appropriation.** The Provincial Government of Cavite shall set aside in its annual budget, a portion of it for the implementation of this ordinance.

**Section 8. Separability Clause.** Any portion or provision of this Ordinance that may be declared unconstitutional shall not have the effect of nullifying other provisions hereof, as long as such remaining portions can still subsist and can be given effect in their entirety.

**Section 9. Repealing Clause.** All rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Ordinance, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**Section 10. Effectivity.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a news paper of local circulation.

**UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

*I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was duly enacted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Cavite during its 120<sup>th</sup> Regular Session on March 11, 2013.*

  
**MICHELLE F. ALCID**  
Provincial Board Secretary




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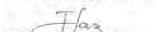
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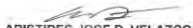
  
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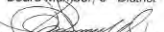
  
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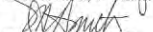
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