

RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH), HONORABLE JANETTE P. LORETO-GARIN, THRU THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF REGION XII, DR. TEOGENES F. BALUMA, TO ESTABLISH DRUG TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION CENTER AT THE GENERAL SANTOS CITY HOSPITAL

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WHEREAS, the problem of drug addiction has been a continuing menace and one of the major issues of public health which the City of General Santos, among other cities nationwide, has to confront;

WHEREAS, most patients-drug addicts can barely undergo therapeutic treatment since their access to rehab programs are limited, if not too costly, resulting to negative consequences that affect not only their personal lives, but also their immediate families, and at large the welfare of the general public;

WHEREAS, medical studies point out that patients who suffer advance stage of drug addiction notwithstanding their family's effort, do not have the capacity to totally quit using drugs on their own inasmuch as their ways of acting and thinking have been completely altered, which in this manner leave them even more vulnerable;

WHEREAS, this condition of drug addiction patients need the strong intervention of professional help that only a drug addiction rehabilitation program can offer; an adequate drug addiction facility staffed with doctors, nurses, counselors, psychiatrists, psychologists and social workers;

WHEREAS, this *Sanggunian* deems to address this issue point-blank considering the city's limited facility on drug addiction treatment, and considering further that drug rehabilitation program requires the application of a long process and holistic action leading to the subject patients recovery to be back on track in the community as a typical citizen, and once again be a productive member to their families and the whole community;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of City Councilor Rosalita T. Nuñez, duly seconded by City Councilors _____, be it -

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to respectfully request the Secretary of the Department of Health (DOH), Honorable Janette P. Loreto-Garin, thru the Regional Director of Region XII, Dr. Teogenes F. Baluma, to establish a drug treatment and rehabilitation center at the General Santos City Hospital.

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