

Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Cavite  
**CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS**  
**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD**

**CITY ORDINANCE NO. 23-39 (GENERAL)**

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**PROHIBITING ALL FORMS OF ILLEGAL GAMBLING WITHIN THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATIONS THEREOF.**

WHEREAS, Section 458 (a) (1) (v) of the Local Government Code of 1991 (RA 7160) provides that the Sangguniang Panlungsod shall enact ordinances intended to prevent, suppress and impose appropriate penalties for gambling and other prohibited games of chance, fraudulent devices and ways to obtain money or property, and such other activities inimical to the welfare and morals of the inhabitants of the city;

WHEREAS, as provided in Section 2.1 of DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2023-074, the local government and government officials are enjoined to intensify campaign against the proliferation of Bingo sa Barangay (BSB)/ Barangay Lucky Bingo (BLB), among other illegal numbers;

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 1602 is a law that aims to simplify and provide tougher penalties for illegal gambling activities or violations of Philippine gambling laws;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9287 was enacted to further strengthen the State's campaign against gambling, an amendment act to Presidential Decree 1602 which imposes penalties for individuals taking part in all forms of illegal gambling activities and establishes the Anti-Illegal Gambling Board (AGB);

WHEREAS, there is a need to control all forms of illegal gambling rising steadily within the City which disturb the religious sectors, distress the morals, and dissipate the energy and resources of the citizenry as the City shall ensure the prosperity and independence of the younger generation especially the students who are vulnerable, exposed, and corrupted to almost all forms of pernicious activities;

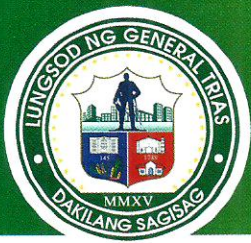
NOW THEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Isagani L. Culanding duly seconded by SP Member Ireneo C. Hatid,

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod, that:

Section 1. TITLE - This Ordinance shall be known as the "ILLEGAL GAMBLING ORDINANCE".

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Continuation...page 2 of City Ordinance No. 23-39 (General):  
**ILLEGAL GAMBLING ORDINANCE.**

**Section 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY** – It is hereby declared the policy of the City Government to promote social order that will ensure the welfare and protection of its constituents from the adverse effects of illegal gambling.

**Section 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS**

- a. **CABO** – any person who collects, solicits or produces bets on behalf of his/her principal who is usually in possession of gambling paraphernalia of any illegal gambling operation;
- b. **CARD GAMES** – games that involve the use of playing cards or “baraha” such as but not limited to Bacarrat, Black Jack, Lucky Nine, Monte, Poker, Pusoy and Tong-its;
- c. **ENCARGADO** – any person who exercises control and supervision over the collector or agent;
- d. **FINANCIER** – any person who finances any illegal gambling operations;
- e. **GAMES THAT INVOLVE CHANCE** – any game that incorporates chance, or luck, to determine the winner such as, but not limited to Bingo, Color Game, Dice and Roulette;
- f. **ILLEGAL GAMBLING** – pursuant to existing laws, “illegal gambling” is committed by any person who, in any manner, shall directly or indirectly take part in any game scheme, regardless of whether winning thereat is dependent upon chance or skill or both, wherein wagers consisting of money, articles of value or representative of value are at stake or made, when such game scheme is not authorized or licensed by the government agency duly empowered by law or its charter to license or authorize the conduct of such games, or is conducted in manner that violates the terms and conditions duly prescribed by the said government agency;
- g. **ILLEGAL NUMBER GAME** – any form of illegal gambling activity which uses numbers or combinations thereof as factors in giving out jackpots such as, but not limited to Jueteng, Last Two, Masiao, Sports Ending and Sports Odds;
- h. **MAINTAINER** – any person who maintains, manages or operates any illegal gambling operation in a specific area from whom the coordinator, encargado, and cabo or agent take orders;
- i. **MANANAYA** – any person who places bets for himself/herself or on behalf of another person, or any person, other than the personnel or staff in any illegal gambling operation;
- j. **PERSONNEL OF ILLEGAL GAMBLING OPERATION** – any person, who acts in the interest of the maintainer such as, but not limited to, an accountant, cashier, checker, guard, runner, table manager, usher, watcher or any other personnel performing such similar functions in a building, structure, vessel, vehicle, or any other place where an illegal gambling is operated or conducted; and
- k. **PROTECTOR** – any person who lends or provides protection or receives benefits in any manner in the illegal gambling operation.

  
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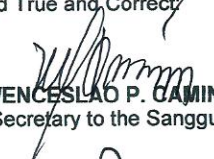
  
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**ILLEGAL GAMBLING ORDINANCE.**

**Section 4. SCOPE** – This Ordinance shall govern any person involved in any illegal gambling activities within the City.

**Section 5. PROHIBITED ACTS** – All forms of illegal gambling as defined herein are strictly prohibited to operate within the City.

- a. No person shall allow any form of gambling to be conducted, or carried on any real property that he owns or under his administration;
- b. No person shall participate, directly or indirectly, in any illegal gambling such as illegal number games, games that involves chance, card games; and
- c. No person shall possess any ticket, paper or material containing letters, figures, signs or symbols which are connected with illegal gambling games. Possession of these illegal gambling paraphernalia shall be considered as a “prima facie” evidence for the purpose of this Ordinance.

**Section 6. SPECIAL PROVISION ON FUND-RAISING EVENTS** – Bingo social, popularity contests, raffles and other similar fund-raising activities are exempted from the provisions of this Ordinance, provided that a special permit for the conduct thereof has been secured from any authorized agency or relevant government offices.

**Section 7. EXEMPTIONS** – In accordance with existing laws, gambling may be allowed provided that it is covered by franchise from the national government, authorized permit or license issued by government agencies duly empowered by law or their charters to license or authorize the conduct of such games or activities or is conducted in a manner that does not violate the terms and conditions duly prescribed by said government agencies.

**Section 8. PENALTIES** – Any person who violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be penalized as follows:

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| a. First Offense                 | A fine of Php 2 000.00 and/or imprisonment for 10 days at the discretion of the proper Court;     |
| b. Second Offense                | A fine of Php 3 000.00 and/or imprisonment for 20 days at the discretion of the proper Court; and |
| c. Third and Succeeding Offenses | A fine of Php 5 000.00 and/or imprisonment for 30 days at the discretion of the proper Court.     |

In case of inability to pay the fine, the violator may render community service based on Community Service Act.

**Section 9. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS** – The Office of the City Mayor through the personnel of General Trias City Police, Barangay Officials and other offices or personnel as may be deputized by the Local Chief Executive shall implement this Ordinance.

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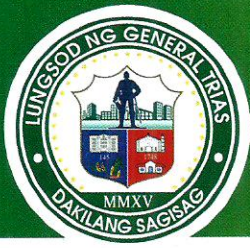
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**Section 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE** - If any portion of this Ordinance is declared invalid, the remaining of this Ordinance shall not be affected and shall remain valid and enforceable.

**Section 11. REPEALING CLAUSE** - All ordinances, rules, and regulations or part thereof where provisions are in conflict or contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

**Section 12. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE** - This Ordinance shall take effect after posting of copies in three (3) conspicuous places in the City has been undertaken.

**ORDAINED under THIRD/FINAL READING on 07 AUGUST 2023.**

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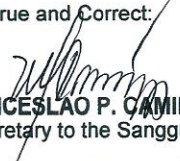
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