



## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. <u>14</u> Series of 2020

## "AN ORDER DESIGNATING THE CITY SPOKESPERSON PERTAINING TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE-19 (COVID-19)"

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article 2, Section 15 of the 1987 Constitution, the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, it is hereby declared to be the policy of the State to safeguard life, health, property and public welfare, consistent with the principle of sound environmental management and control;

WHEREAS, in response to the growing concern over the outbreak of the Coronavirus Disease-19 (COVID-19) and the declaration of the World Health Organization (WHO) that it is now a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, and that the Philippines is one of the several countries with confirmed COVID-19 case;

WHEREAS, it is imperative that a spokesperson be designated for the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) to post public advisories and precautionary measures to inform and educate the general public regarding proper hygiene, regular hand washing, and thwart "mass hysteria", fear or panic;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ATTY. JEFFERSON P. SORIANO, City Mayor of Tuguegarao, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and the laws, do hereby order the following:

**Section 1**. *Designation*. The undersigned Local Chief Executive has the only authority to act as the Spokesperson regarding all concerns and updates regarding the Coronavirus Disease-19 (COVID-19).

The public is hereby advised that any information regarding COVID-19 that did not come from the Tuguegarao City Government, its Official Website or from the undersigned, to refrain from spreading the information to avoid causing panic.

Further, a press-conference will be conducted to provide direct social awareness for the benefit of all constituents, residents and guests of the city.

**Section 2.** *Repealing Clause.* All prior issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or otherwise modified accordingly.

Section 3. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in Tuguegarao City, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty.

