

OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR  
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15

Series of 2020

**"AN ORDER DECLARING THE SUSPENSION OF CLASSES  
IN TUGUEGARAO CITY ON MARCH 9-13, 2020"**

**WHEREAS**, DILG Legal Opinion No. 02-2015 provides that Local Chief Executives are justified under Section 16 (General Welfare Clause) of Republic Act 7160 otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991," in declaring suspension of classes in all levels both public and private schools, xxx to ensure public order and convenience among constituents;

**WHEREAS**, paragraph 5 of Department of Education (DepEd) Memorandum No. 23 s. 2020 with subject "**Third Set of Policy Directives of the DepEd Task Force COVID-19**" provided for the resumption of the conduct of national, regional, and/or off-campus activities starting February 24, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, the same memorandum enables the conduct of the 2020 National Schools Press Conference which is now scheduled on March 9-13, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, the different elementary and secondary schools as well as universities and colleges will be used as billeting quarters of the delegates and venues of the various contested events thus, it is proper to suspend classes in the basic education level for the whole duration of the conference;

**WHEREAS** in order to ease traffic and to ensure public order and safety considering the expected number of attendees to the event, it is likewise proper to suspend classes in the tertiary and graduate school levels on March 9-11, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, the Local School Board, through LSB Resolution No. 10-2020, likewise recommends the suspension of classes in view of the conduct of the 2020 NSPC;

**WHEREAS**, after due consultation with the stakeholders and the academe, the same recommendation was echoed;

**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. Basic Education Level.** Classes in elementary and high school levels in both public and private schools in Tuguegarao City are suspended on March 9-13, 2020.

**Section 2. Tertiary and Graduate School Levels.** Classes in tertiary and graduate school levels in both public and private schools are suspended on March 9-11, 2020.

**Section 3. Repealing Clause.** All prior issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed as amended or otherwise modified accordingly.

**Section 4. Effectivity.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

**DONE** in the City of Tuguegarao, Cagayan this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty.

**ATTY. JEFFERSON P. SORIANO**  
City Mayor