

Noong January 2010, may 200 na PUV drivers and operators ang pumirma para patalsikin si Mandapat sa DOTC-CAR at LTFRB.

Kung inyong matatandaan, noong nakaraang 2013 elections, kasama sa ating binulgar ay titong si former Baguio City Councilor Federico "Bong" Mandapat na siya ring naging Regional Director ng Department of Transportation (DOTC), Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR). Siya rin ang naging hepe ng LTFRB-CAR o Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB).

Kailan lamang ay ating sinulatan itong si kandidatong Mandapat para alamin kung ano na ang status sa mga reklamo na isinampa sa opisina ng Ombudsman ng Linis Gobyerno for violation of Graft and Corrupt Practices (RA 3019) and violation of the Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees and Employees (RA 6713). Ayon kay Mandapat ay sa kasalukuyan ay na dismiss na ang lahat ng kaso sa opisina ng Ombudsman. Bagama't hindi ligalidad ang ating nais na ipahiwatig kung hindi ang aspetong moral at ang kasalukyang napakatinding trapik sa siyudad. Kahit anong bali-baliktad ang gawin at sabihin ng kahit na sino man ay hindi maipagkakaila na ang kalutasan ng trapiko na may kinalaman sa mga kolorum na sasakyan. Ito ay saklaw sa kapangayrihan ng DOTC Regional Director kung saan humigit kumulang dalawang taon ring pinamunuhan bilang Direktor ni Atty. Mandapat

Kung inyong matatandaan, noong January 21, 2010 ay nagsagawa ng isang Urgent Petition na pinadala kay dating Pangulong Gloria Macapagal Arroyo na pinirmahan ng humigit kumulang 200 signatories ng different public transport operators. Ang layunin ng petition ay

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ang mapatalsik sa kanyang posisyon sa agarang panahon si Mandapat. Ang kabuuan ng nilalaman ng petisyon ay ang sumusunod:

"AN URGENT PETITION AND APPEAL FOR THE RELIEF OF ATTY. FEDERICO J. MAN-DAPAT JR., AS REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF DOTC-CAR, RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED TO HER EXCELLENCY, PRESIDENT GLORIA MACAPAGAL ARROYO."

"Whereas, we in the transportation sector in Baguio City and the Cordilleras can no longer acquiesce and further bear the mismanagement of the DOTC-CAR under Regional Director Federico Mandapat:

Whereas, his patent inefficiency and insensitivity to public service has caused us to suffer unjust delay in the approval of our applications for even mere renewal of franchises or Certificate of Convenience and financial damage in the case of delays in the transfer of franchise and substitution of units;

"Whereas Director Mandapat is ineffectively unable to eliminate or even reduce rampant fixing activities engaged in by his own personnel in the LTO and the LTFRB and/or by outside fixers victimizing us operators openly;

"Whereas his regular absence in office has caused applications to pile up and cause us as wel to unreasonably queue before his office following up our case already pending for months and years

'Whereas, these absences in office have probably been emulated by his personnel thus their likewise absences and taking of frequent leaves, even without someone to temporarily take over their duties or functions to preclude disruption of service to the transacting public;

"Whereas, he does not allocate sufficient time to supervise or monitor the agencies and personnel under him, thereby enabling them to commit irregularities for purposes of material gain, to the prejudice of the public;

"Whereas, Director Mandapat could not be made to act and respond to requests and complaints within the time prescribed by law and the rules and thus fails to address our issues, concerns and grievances in the transport sector;

Whereas, in sum, Director Mandapat is mismanaging the DOTC-CAR, at times displaying partiality, lack of transparency ignorance of the rules and committing discriminatory acts; tioning Her

"Whereas, Madam President, our purpose and only desire for Peti-Excellency is to achieve a clean, efficient and transparent management of DOTC-CAR so that under such conditions and work atmosphere we could render better transportation service to the public in support of the goals of government and your Administration;

"PREMISED on the foregoing, therefore, We, the undersigned in behalf of ourselves and our members and other aggrieved transport operators in Baguio City, Benguet and other parts of the Cordil-

ras, most sincerely and urgently request Her Excellency to relieve Atty. Federi-Mandapat Jr., as Regional Director of DOTC-CAR in Baguio City and in his stead appoint someone more capable to manage and run the agency.

"Done in Baguio City, this 14th day of January 2010."

SA SUSUNOD NA ISYU, ATING IHAHAYAG ANG HINGGIL KAY COUN. JOEL ALANGSAB AT KAY COUN. LULU TABAN-DA. INYO RIN MABABASA ANG REAKSYON NI KANDI-DATO VILLAMOR BUMANGLAG. AMIN DING ISA-ISAHIN ANG MGA SALN NG MGA KANDIDATO ABANGAN

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nais ng mga nag-petisyon na patalsikin si DOTC-CAR Regional Director Federic Mandapat; subalit ninais ni Federico Mandapat na isnabin ang ating liham BAKIT??? Ang mga detalve patungkol sa isyu na ito ay ating inilabas nitong Apri

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Mayor bullish on taxpayers' sustained cooperation *Free smoke emission testing on* BAGUIO CITY - Mayor - P385,900,000; non-tax Last year, the office issued Mauricio Domogan revenue - P223,010,000 a total of 18,371 permits as World Earth Day, April 22

expressed optimism that the and external sources - against their target of 16,321 sustained cooperation shown P850,000,000. by taxpayers will enable the Assistant city treasurer dished out a total of 17, 158 as city to attain if not surpass Alex Cabarrubias said against their target of 15,500. anew its revenue target for the city's tax collection is this year.

"We thank our residents He shared the mayor's confiand businessmen for their dence that the city will exceed itoring of business establishpositive response to our call its revenue target. for the prompt payment of Cabarrubias said one major responsibility. their taxes to enable the city determinant of the city's to again meet if not surpass revenue is the business tax in 2010, the mayor has its revenue targets and ensure collection. smooth delivery of public service and implementa- licensing office under Braile ments operating in the city tion of priority projects," the Van Reyes said they have without the required business mayor said.

The city pegged its new and renewed business increase the city's revenues. tax revenue target at permits. They expect to P385,900,000 this year surpass the target of 17,000 heads to compel businessmen while its total target based permits by the end of the year. to comply with the business on the approved budget was Based on records, the permit requirements and P1,622,910,000 distributed as number of business licenses those who desisted were follows: beginning balance – issued had consistently issued closure orders./Aileen P160,000,000; tax revenue increased since 2011.

processed a total of 13,356 permits as part of the drive to

while in 2014, the office One of the contributory presently "right on the mark." factors was the involvement of the barangays in the monments within their areas of

Since he reassumed office ordered a crackdown on As of April 15, the city illegal business establish-He directed the barangay P. Refuerzo

"We are precisely under-

DAGUIO CITY – The signals the start of bigger warming.

at Harrison road. Regularly done by the Wastewater, Water and Ambient Air Management Division (WWAMD) of the same office, the activity focuses on vehicles needing maintenance, to keep the city's environmental air clean. Other activities are slated

with the celebration of World Earth day.

In the same line, a letter from Michael Bloomberg, United Nation Secretary General's Special Envoy for Cities and Climate Change, requested Mavor Mauricio Domogan to join the celebraly programs and initiatives commitment and progress mitigation and resilience."

A "toolkit" from the Compact of Mayors Earth Day to help "promote and channels," was enclosed.

The expected signing of the leaders on Friday however

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NOON AT NGAYON

Day celebration on April 22, actions from the grassroots to of "local greenhouse gas Friday, with pre and post-ac- national groups. Aside from tivities focused on mitigating planting trees, targeted to be climate change and global 7.8B by year 2020 on world earth day's 50th anniversary, Included in the activities is other commitments include a free smoke-emission testing riding the bike, installation conducted by the City Envi- of LED lights, switching to place for cities as critical ronment and Parks Man- electric buses, recycling and partners in the global climate agement Office (CEPMO), reduction of garbage, use of solution," he ended./Julie G. Friday, from 8:30AM to 4PM recyclable energy and the like. Fianza

Bloomberg encouraged Bcity joins World Earth and more comprehensive action for the reduction emissions, enhance resilience to climate change, and track progress publicly." We can build from the agreement in Paris to "a permanent



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cal ad for Engr. Leandro Yangot, by Dr. Lina Rose Bagto Yangot. Baguio Ci

governance practices and services.

ment of Interior and Local Government (DILG), the as one of the Seal of Good SGLG is a scaled up Seal of Local Governance," stressed Good Housekeeping (SGH) Domogan. incentive which aimed to promote transparency and accountability in the use of levels of compliance to the public funds by delivering Department's Full Disclobasic services responsive sure Policy, particularly in the good governance.

its campaign for the new cessful bid for SGH in 2014.



SEAL OF GOOD GOVERNMENT ASSESSMENT: Mayor Maurico Domogan stresses a point on the city's good performance during the Regional Assessment conducted by the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG-CAR) on the seal of Good Governance for 2016 held at SP Session Hall./By Bong Cayabyab to a maximum penalty for

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proven guilty," he said.

motion for reconsideration through his lawyer, Atty. release from the Congressman's office, it was said that the Ombudsman's resolution is contrary to evidence. It is claimed that Aliping was not in the area when the environmental crime happened further saying, "Was he just presumed to

Social welfare and development programs continue during election period

BAGUIO CITY - - The DSWD-CAR OIC Regional need not to put to halt this Department of Social Director Janet P. Armas said election period because we Welfare and Development relative to the Ban on Dis- are for the welfare of the tion by "posting a photo of (DSWD) here ensures its bursement of Public Funds people that we serve. They participation in Earth-friendclients and beneficiaries being implemented by the deserve to be served efficientthat the implementation of Commission of Elections ly and immediately", Armas to highlight the leadership, programs and services under (COMELEC). the Department will continue Among the programs and Meanwhile, DSWD cities are making on climate even during the election services that will continue to Secretary Corazon Julianoperiod

implement our programs Sustainable Livelihood upcoming 2016 Elections, and services as we have been Program, Social Pension DSWD remains as a change amplify climate initiacleared by the COMELEC to Program for Indigent Senior agent for the people that the tives across all social media continue in our operations Citizens, Supplementary Department serves. just like in 2013. Grants and Feeding Program, Assisother forms of fund aug- tance to Individuals in Crisis taking the most important Paris Agreement by world mentation will be continu- Situation, Shelter Assis- role of a change agent which ously provided to our clients tance, and other protective is to enable those who have and beneficiaries because we programs and services for not been heard, those who have to immediately address women, children, youth and have not been recognized their needs. We recognize other sectors.

added.

release grants are Pantawid Soliman reiterated that "We will continue to Pamilyang Pilipino Program, despite the challenges of the by the Government are now

the assistance to them", our programs and services



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Number coding still relevant – Mayor vies for Seal of Good Local Governance ments to provide the needed

A program of the Departsustain the status of the city

to the people's needs under areas of budget, revenues and procurement, among others, The DILG Cordillera has having no adverse COA begun conducting the SGLG findings, as well as meeting assessment and screening of the requirements of Anti-Red the city of Baguio to support Tape Act.

The SGLG which will cover directed concerned depart- ernments to continue good Arranz

According to the DILG,

the SGH only measured the

governance practices while BAGUIO CITY - The city documentary requirements providing better services. Based on DILG guide-

a Seal of Good Local Gov- of the broadened coverage lines, a local government can ernance to prove its good and criteria of the new seal. qualify as a SGLG recipient "This is a challenge for us if it passes the three major and we need to exceed our standards - good financial previous performance, if not, housekeeping, the existence of a disaster reduction and management plan and the provision of social protection services.

> The local government will also be evaluated on business-friendliness and competitiveness, peace and order and environmental preservation and protection programs among others.

Those who will qualify for the SGLG will have the opportunity to avail of additional funds for their priority coveted seal following its suc- more areas of governance was development projects from introduced to provide greater the government's Perfor-Mayor Mauricio Domogan challenge to our local gov- mance Challenge Fund./Jho

remained relevant as a traffic control measure in the city, said last week.

based on assessment and observation of the traffic roads. division of the Baguio City Police Office.

"Studies by our traffic policemen showed that our still useful and is contributing a lot in preventing traffic congestion in the city. The moment the study proves that it is no longer relevant then that will be time to end it," the mayor said.

The mayor however said there is a pressing need to find alternative ways to improve the traffic situation in the city and one way is to update the antiquated provisions of Ordinance No. 7-84 or the Comprehensive Traffic Ordinance of the city.

were grossly overpriced by as much as P1.74 million; based on COA's market probe, suitable fertilizers were readily available at the market at much lower prices; and that the products delivered were substandard and not registered with the Fertilizer and Pesticides Authority. As a result, the COA issued a Notice of Disallowance in January 2006.

"All these circumstances showed that public respondents, in conspiracy with Dolly Villaflor, acted with manifest partiality and gross inexcusable negligence in the procurement of nutro ocean fertilizers thereby causing undue injury to the municipality of Bakun and giving unwarranted benefit, advantage and preference to Bry Cin Enterprises and/or Dolly Villaflor," stated the

Section 3(e) of R.A. No. 3019 penalizes any public official who, by his official functions, causes undue injury to the government through manifest partiality, evident bad faith and gross inexcusable negligence. It who collude or conspire with public officials./The Junction News Team with release from

BAGUIO CITY – The Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) traffic division Baguio City Police Office roads scheme in the city has chief P/Supt. Leon Talleo number coding scheme on affirmed that the number March 26, 2003 at the time coding scheme remains to Mayor Mauricio Domogan be a big factor in alleviating the traffic problem by effec-The mayor said this was tively reducing the volume of vehicles plying the city's

"Based on our daily experience, our road network is already cramped beyond capacity especially during number coding scheme is tourist peak season. Without the number coding, the situation will become more chaotic," Talleo said.

> Talleo does not see the number coding's effectiveness waning in the near future. On the contrary, he foresees the eventuality of the city shifting from the number-coding scheme into the more expansive odd-even strategy to further decrease area coverage and exempthe volume of vehicles on the tions. /Aileen P. Refuerzo

The city adopted the of former mayor Bernardo Vergara via Ordinance No. 1 series of 2003 known as the "The Baguio City number Coding Scheme Ordinance" then authored by Councilors Antonio Tabora Jr., Elmo Nevada, Delfin Balajadia and Federico Mandapat Jr.

The ordinance bans entry of vehicles based on plate number ending schedule a-day-a-week within the designated area of coverage mostly within the central business district from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

It was later amended at the time of former mayor Reinaldo Bautista Jr. to refine the measure in terms of the



given the chance to defend have given illegal orders News Team himself and present proof to individuals to cut trees of his innocence before an while attending his duties **Sandiganbayan** impartial body. As we are as a Member of the House all aware, everybody is still of Representatives?"Aliping considered innocent unless insisted that the uprooted trees were found outside his Congressman Aliping 3-hectare claimed property of Nutro Ocean Fertilizers Resolution. on the other hand filed a in which he has a tax declaration. Aliping's camp also BCE, a company located in admitted "levelling and exca- Quezon City. The inspection Lauro Gacayan. In a press vation activities by Aliping," and payment for the supplier but they are mum about the was made on May 7, 2004 the said activities.

> The tree cutting and earth moving was first reported found that there was no covers private individuals to authorities by a group of public bidding conducted mountaineers on April 2014. as the municipality did not

forest destruction and will be banned from holding public office for life./The Junction

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funds to buy 1,300 bottles at P1,500.00/bottle from non-issuance of permits for even if actual delivery was made only on 14 May 2004.

In its audit, the COA If found guilty, the create its Bids and Awards lawmaker may be sentenced Committee; the fertilizers OMB

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Faustino Olowan Poverty is not an Excuse; it's a Road to Success

Being a Public Servant is an ordinary thing. You go and listen to the public. Good gov-ernance is what public service is all about. Action will come from your constituentsthe people, and you decide on it.

He is re-electionist Baguio City Councilor and Atty. Faustino Olowan. A representative and mouthpiece of the people.

A graduate of Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Bachelor of Laws at the Baguio Colleges Foundation, now the University of the Cordilleras. Atty. Olowan is Baguio City Council's Chairman on Public Works Committee and is a member of the Committee on Education and Government Affairs.

Married at an early age, Councilor Olowan had not seen this as an impediment in the attainment of his education and studies. "I was working and I was going to school while I was tending for my family," he says. I was a supply officer of a government agency before and I was satisfied with my job. To have become a lawyer was a challenge by lawyers who have been coming to our office. In spite of hardship and trials, I was able to manage my studies at BCF from 5 PM in the afternoon to 8 PM in the evening on a graded recitation basis. Upon arriving home, prepare for my children, woke up at 3 AM and read my books until early in the morning, went to work, then school, and back at home. It was a challenge," he narrates.

Councilor Olowan had been with the Labor Relations Commissions for six years until he became a full-fledged lawyer in 1996. He worked as the lawyer for workers of the National Miners and Allied Union. He was the legal Counsel for the Philex Mining

Corporation and the BARP Foundation. He was the tative of the MUFAMCO, a coopera-He was a BENECO Board for District

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Pilipinas until I transferred to the Liberal Party ing activities" using heavy Ombudsman said. Three forest land without any independent," says Atty. Olowan.

Olowan became a councilor of Baguio City and represented the mar- Mount Santo Tomas, in Tuba, project. In 2001, Atty. ginalized sector. In 2007 and 2010, he was cut short by the then late Vice Mayor Farinas Benguett wo years ago. for the post. Between 2008 and 2011, he served as a Barangay Captain in their barangay. In 2013, he assumed the position as a Councilor once more. He has been with the opposition in the City Council. "We have limited roles in the governance of the City since we do and 415 Benguet pine tree declared forest reserve (since violations of environmental not have the congressman and the mayor with us but just the vice-mayor. We did not par- samplings were damaged by 1940), cannot be converted laws committed by public ticipate in the committee since we were not allowed by the majority. Despite being in the the earth moving activities. minimal committee, we are maximizing our time to work with the committee. We only refer aligned projects and we understand this since we are not allied with the mayor," he relates. ment and Natural Resources admitted that no permits were Luzon Gerard Mosquera

These differences in views did not hinder Councilor Olowan in the performance of (DENR), which served as the issued for the earth-mov- currently serves as the Envihis duty. He is satisfied since he is seeing democracy in action. Being a politician and on complainant, estimated the ing activities and that no ronmental Ombudsman. politics is a blessing in disguise for him. "A politician will always be a politician. There are total damage brought about the lucky and the unlucky. There are poor like me who made it into politics. People should by the alleged illegal earth know and understand that not only the rich make it to politics and to be a politician needs moving activities at P10.3 property. to use what he studied for more in depth and precise decisions to avoid mistakes in the million. The rehabilitation decisions made just like now. Sometimes there are unexpected calendared matters that are cost, however could even be voted and uncalendared matters that are voted and vice versa," he says.

As a City Councilor, Olowan made laws beneficial to the community. Among these are The Ombudsman's investi- through the construction itable that Aliping would also his co-authorship of the Color Coding ordinance and the Paper Bag ordinance. "I'm one of gation revealed that the earth companies of Go, Capuyan be charged administratively the most independent in the City Council. I'm independent. My role as a politician cannot moving activities, which were and Aquino. be dictated since I have my own agenda and that's the best way to do it. I make unpopular conducted as part of develop- "It is clear as daylight that decisions and am criticized for it but that is the best way to do it. In spite of that, I have ing Aliping's land property the cutting of trees and other working rapport with my colleagues. I respect them, they respect me, and we respect in the area, also caused the earth-moving activities were

each other. In politics, we should be transparent by consulting the people when it comes to matters that are submitted and approved by the city council to avoid liability to the people my frustration

in the end. This is in politics. It's not it, you do it because constituents. There consultation with matter and on how done," he explains.

Public service a long way to go Olowan and he is am paid. I deserve more than that, I it was not because would have become the payment of the handling and had against big law firms. rich in politics unless magic. In Baguio, dictable. You deal and multi-sector city.

have to have with you a direction and programs that cater to them," he says.

As a lawyer, Atty. Olowan continues to exercise his profession to benefit the poor. He gives pieces of advice to barangay officials. He also provides free notarial services. He is a simple person who worked hard for what he has and is today. He was a poor man who became a lawyer to attend to the poor.

A family man, he was born on April 19, 1965 to a mother from Sagada and a father from Bontoc in Mountain Province. He is married to Mrs. Julina Olowan, an ordinary person and a businesswoman. They have three children. The first one is working at Saint Louis University; the second one is an accountant at the Philex Mining Corporation; and the third one is aspiring to become a pilot. He took up his elementary and high school at Saint Mary's in Sagada, Mountain Province. He is a collector of antiques and a golfer. He scaled Mount Pulag and the mountains of Itogon, Bengeut. He is a member of the Protective Area Management Board (PAMBO) that aims to protect the lower Agno river's tributary and its environs. He is a Catholic by faith and is an active member of the Knights of Columbus./By: Cervl Sacpa, The Junction Newspaper

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Ombudsman indicts Aliping... from page 1

of the Revised Forestry Code. for Baguio City and Tuba.

Based on an investigation of the Environmen-I was a tal Ombudsman, Aliping to the massive land develand the three other respon-

The Ombudsman said 293 pine trees were uprooted

The Department of Environmore

of the water supply (was due) equipment in Sitio Pongayan, springs were affected by the authority.

into private property.

In his defense, Aliping documents were presented showing ownership over the former Baguio Representa-

undertook the earthmoving ongoing appeal before the and illegal logging activities

done without authority" and that "Aliping's use of the three backhoes/heavy equipment violation of Sections 77 and 78 turbidity of the water supply in his earth moving activity is undisputed," the "The cause of the turbidity Ombudsman said.

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The Revised Forestry Code prohibits any person to cut, opment within and around gather, collect, remove timber Movement now the Partido dents conducted "earthmov- the property of Aliping," the or other forest products from

Morales revived the The Ombudsman sided Office of the Environmenwith the DENR in saying that tal Ombudsman in 2012 to Mount Santo Tomas, being a handle complaints involving officials and employees.

Deputy Ombudsman for

Upon learning about this, tive Bernardo Vergara said Aliping allegedly that with an earlier charge Supreme Court, it was inevbefore the Sandiganbayan.

> "At least, he will be Cont. on page 9

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mayor Bartolome Sacla, Sr. were also ordered perpetual- the Decision added. ly disqualified from holding pay a fine of P5 million.

of delivery was presented.

In its Decision, the Sandicheck, two prevalent factors irregular: one, the check was

private organizations for their crowd-drawing events.

further improve the facility.

NEWS

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Sandiganbayan convicts ex-Bakun mayor for malversation Sentenced to imprisonment of 10-15 years

The Sandiganbayan has Advice was issued, which was Act No. 3019 (Anti-Graft L convicted former Bakun a COA requirement."

"Considering the number Act) against officials of and municipal treasurer of years and experience Bakun for the anomalous Manuel Bagayao of Malver- devoted by accused Sacla to purchase of P1.9 million sation for issuing a P5million public service from the time worth of Nutro Ocean check in 2002 without any he served as the barangay Liquid Fertilizers from Bry supporting documents. captain to the time he was Cin Enterprises (BCE) in Sacla Sr. and Bagayao were elected as councilor, until he 2004. Facing indictment sentenced to imprisonment became the mayor, he would before the Sandiganbayan ranging from 10 years and have been more than aware are former MayorSacla, one day to 18 years, eight of the fiscal requirements in Sr., Municipal Treasurer months and one day. They the release of public funds," Bagayao, Municipal

public office and for each to funds is committed by mis- of BCE. appropriating public funds In his defense, Sacla or property; by consenting narrated that in 2004, the claimed that the check was or through abandonment issued as payment for medical or negligence, by permitting received the amount of supplies. However, no proof any other person to take such P1.95 million from the public funds.

ganbayan stated that "at the facing yet another case before Inputs and Farm Impletime of the issuance of the the Sandiganbayan.

made the transaction highly Fertilizer fund scam

On November 11, 2015, fertilizer fund scam in issued without any support- Ombudsman Morales 2004. ing documents such as the directed the filing of an disbursement voucher; and Information for violation municipality used the the other, no Accountant's of Section 3(e) of Republic

and Corrupt Practices Accountant Virginia Malversation of public Kigisan, and Dolly Villaflor

The 19-page Resolution municipality of Bakun Department of Agriculture But Sacla and Bagayao are (DA) as part of the Farm ments Program (FIFIP) The FIFIP formed part of the alleged P728 million

Records show that the Cont. on page 9



P40 million earmarked for Baguio **Convention Center repair**

 \mathbf{D} government was never center by the different orga- in the roofing. remised in its obligation to nizations for their various In 2012, Soriano said the and numerous public and Domogan stressed.

Arch. Homer Soriano, on the roofing.

DAGUIO CITY– The city daily use of the convention the patching up of the leaks

properly maintain the city- events has resulted to the works that were done using owned Baguio Convention destruction of some of the the P15 million appropri-Center since it was able to facilities inside, thus, the ation by the local governacquire ownership of the over need for the local govern- ment were the replacement 30-year old structure as its ment to continue implement- of the carpet in the main continues to make available ing priority improvements to hall, upholstery of the chairs, funds for the continuous sustain its operation as one construction of additional repair of the facility for the of our main venue for our support beams and columns, use of local event organizers functions among others," repair of the comfort rooms and patching up of the leaks

architect III of the city It can be recalled that Mayor Mauricio Domogan buildings and architecture the city government, GSIS said that under the 2016 city office (CBAO), said the and BCDA signed a triparbudget, some P40 million initial repairs to be done in tite agreement sometime was appropriated by the city the convention center using in February 2004 for the government for the priority the allocated funds will be acquisition of the Baguio repairs to be done inside the the repair of the drainage and Conventer by the city from facility for priority improve- sewerage system, replace- the GSIS using the city' accuments that will be done after ment of the chairs, improve- mulated share from the pri- pass through the GSIS central the lapse of the existing ment of the lighting and vatization of CJH wherein office. election ban in order to sound systems, put up of the city is entitled to a 25 additional offices under the percent share from the

recreation center in the city. However, the previous administrations of the city failed to work on the tripartite agreement that resulted to the surge in the city's obligation to over P300 million until the same was fully settled when Mayor Domogan came back as the local chief executive in 2010.

Various event organizers have an easier time booking their scheduled activities in the Convention Center because they now deal with the city government unlike before that they have to work with the rigors of transacting with the GISIS just to use the facility for their lined up events for the year.

Organizers can also easily request for a significant reduction in the rentals of the facility as it passes through the city council compared to the previous transactions that such similar requests



Event organizers wanting with the city administrator's could also be coursed to hold their activities in the office for booking purposes through the city council for "We have to admit that the center, repair of gutters and annual lease rental of the facility could get in touch and requests for discounts approval./Dexter A. See

OPINION

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Can voters be jailed for taking voting receipts out of precincts?

The answer lies in whether the voting receipts should be classified as election document or election paraphernalia under the law. 'It should not be.'

On April 12, 2016, the Commission on Elections (Comelec) promulgated Resolution Number 10088, amending the "Concerd List of the List of t amending the "General Instructions for the Board of Election Inspectors (BEI)." This was in view of the Supreme Court's ruling in Bagumbayan and Gordon vs. COMELEC (GR Number 222731) that required the poll body to activate the voter receipt feature of the vote-counting machines (VCMs).

Section 2 of the resolution administratively prohibits the bringing of voter's receipts outside of polling precincts. Section 13 makes that breach an election offense. It provides that "any person who takes away the voters' receipt commits an election offense punishable under Section 261 (z) (12) of the Omnibus Election Code?

This was merely lifted from the "Notice" signed by the Supreme Court's Clerk of Court, Felipa Anama, denying with finality Comelec's motion for reconsideration of its voter's receipt ruling.

EDITORIAL In the same notice, Anama responsed to Chain man. Andres Bautista's statement raising his concern regarding In the same notice, Anama responded to Chairman the lack of mechanisms to prosecute individuals who take

the voters' receipts outside the precinct. The notice pointed Comelec to Section 261 (z) (12) of the Omnibus Election Code, which provides:

"(12) Any person who, without legal authority, destroys, substitutes or takes away from the possession of those having legal custody thereof, or from the place where they are legally deposited, any election form or document or ballot box which contains official ballots or other documents used in the election."

Going back to Resolution Number 10088: Section 13 treats a voting receipt as an "official election document or election paraphernalia." It therefore puts it under the operation of Section 261 (z) (12), according to both the Comelec and the Clerk of Court.

The problem with the above interpretation is that it reads into Section 261 of the Omnibus Election Code (approved on December 3, 1985) the concept of "voting receipt." The concept of voting receipt arguably did not exist until 2007 with the passage of Republic Act 9369, and confirmed to be mandatory only about a month ago with the Bagumbayan case.

This is obviously contrary to that long-entrenched "originalist" approach in interpreting criminal statutes in the country, where they are strictly interpreted according to their original meaning or the original intention of the law's authors. Obviously back in 1985, members of Congress could not have NO WAY OF KNOWING TRUE 2016 POLL RESULTS? If I am to believe the claims, made in public intended to include something which had yet to exist or at least thought about.

This view is likewise sanctioned by that elementary principle in statutory construction that doubts in criminal statutes should be resolved in favor of the accused or of innocence. This means that in the question of whether a voting receipt should be classified as election document or paraphernalia under Section 261 (z) (12), the obvious answer is, it should not be.

Also, Resolution Number 10088, being in the nature of implementing rules and regulations (IRR), is not supposed to expand the scope of Section 261 (z) (12) to include voting receipts. That would be tantamount to amending the Omnibus Election Code, with the Comelec arrogating unto itself the power exclusively reserved to Congress.

In Lokin vs COMELEC (GR Number 179431-32 & 180443), the poll body was already warned that it has "neither the authority nor the license to expand, extend, or add anything to the law it seeks to Wow! Truly disturbing, and truly discouraging implement," and that the IRRs it issues "should always accord with the law to be implemented, and should not override, supplant, or modify the law." Comelec's Resolution Number 10088 does all of this: 13 M VOTERS DISENFRANCHISED IN 2013 POLLS: Quilala also confirmed that in the 2013 elections expand, extend, modify, and add something to Section 261 (z) (12).

The proscription should even be made stronger in this case. Comelec effectively criminalizes an act, which, technically speaking, is still legal. It attaches a penalty of 1 to 6 years imprisonment to it. It made criminal something which is not.

The Clerk of Court's "Notice" should have also been taken with a grain of salt. The Clerk's discussion of voting receipts in relation to Section 261, even if speaking for the Supreme Court en banc, is at best an obiter dictum and, thus, does not set a precedent or a binding interpretation.

Obviously it was not the issue under consideration in Bagumbayan, but Comelec's compliance with the "minimum systems capability" prescribed by Republic Act Number 9369. To my mind, such pronouncement would even amount to judicial legislation, or that case where the Supreme Court, in the guise of the exercise of judicial power, venture into the realm of law making.

It is possible that the Comelec knows these limits, and this is just its way of deterring people from sneaking out the voting receipts - by bluffing voters that they can be prosecuted. However, the elections body only opens itself to public disappointment when it later shows that it won't prosecute violators simply because it cannot.

This issue highlights that huge problem in our election laws, where parts have been amended but without actually adjusting the other parts affected by it.

For example, Republic Act 9369 automates the voting, counting, and canvassing system, but without actually amending the voting, counting, and canvassing procedures in the Omnibus Election Code, the top spot, but who seem oblivious to these problems (which to me is simply unacceptable) or who including the election offenses attached to it.

much interpretation. In turn, it increases their susceptibility to mistakes, inaccuracies, and subjective interpretations. While there are many pending bills that attempt to remedy this mismatch, most, if PLEASE LISTEN: "Ang Tanging Daan" (The Sole Way): a Bible study and prayer session online could not all, are still stuck at the committee level in both houses of Congress. - Rappler.com/Emil Marañon III (Emil Marañon III is an election lawyer who served as chief of staff of retired Comelec Chairman Sixto Brillantes Ir. He is currently studying Human Rights, Conflict and Justice at SOAS, University of London, as a Chevening scholar.) 96, 0918 574 0193, 0977 805 9058. Email: batasmauricio@yahoo.com.



LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "... 'Whoever is ashamed of me and my words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his glory and in the glory of the Father and of the holy angels'..." (Luke 9:26, the Holy Bible).

yet by lawyer Rey Quilala, a former legal officer at the office of Sen. Aquilino Pimentel III, there is no way that the Filipino people can be assured of the truthfulness of the results of the 2016 national and local elections.

Quilala disclosed that while Smartmatic Philippines Inc. is saying that the automated system it is employing in the 2016 elections (which it likewise employed during the 2010 and 2013 elections) is as secure as the systems being employed by international banks, it has been shown by recent events, particularly the theft of some US \$100 million from the US Federal Reserve Bank in New York, that these systems are capable of being hacked and manipulated.

That being the case, Quilala in effect raised grave doubts that the true will of the Filipino people, especially on the president and vice president that are to lead this country in the next years, may not be reflected in the results that the Commission on Election will use to proclaim the winning candidates.

which was conducted using the technology provided for by Smartmatic Philippines, Inc., some 13 million or so votes were not included in the determination of who really won as senators in that political exercise, because of a failure of transmission that hit the computers that were used then.

Indeed, 13 million votes is 13 million votes, enough to affect the entire outcome of that midterm elections. I do not wish to speculate now on who could be considered as having truly won as senator at that time, but the point is that, if a computer system such as the one which Smartmatic used in 2013 failed to include in its final tally 13 million votes, must we trust that system again in 2016?

What is more, Quilala said he and other lawyers were treated to the spectacle of their cellphones losing their signal at the "command" of computer experts from a country known as "Estonia", with their systems being cloned to send messages or data which the phone owners did not really send or transmitted.

WHY ARE PRESIDENTIABLES SILENT OVER COMPUTER FRAUD? This sent shockwaves to those who listened to Quilala, when they realized that it is really possible to jam the signals of Smartmatic's computers and then, making it appear that those computers are sending results to the different canvassing boards in the country and, ultimately, to the national canvassing agencies who are tasked to tally the votes and then proclaim the supposedly winning candidates.

The question, of course, is: if these computer maneuvers can be demonstrated to distort even the computers which are being used in our forthcoming elections, how come no one seems to be truly interested to find a solution to prevent election fraud using information technology?

I am of course referring to the presidential candidates who are now locked in a very tight race for are outright ignorant of how these problems can affect their candidacies. Why the inaction, ladies and This mismatch not only confuses the public and even lawyers, but implementing them require so gentlemen? Indeed, these candidates owe their voters the duty to safeguard the vote of every citizen!

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How would you descri Baguio's Congressma I. Irresponsible 2. Untrustworthy 3. Disrespectful **4.** Hypocrite 5. Above the law 6. Shameless Arrogant 8. A Liar 9. Unethical 10. Dishonorable Answer: ALL OF THE ABOVE !!! Hindi siya nagpayaman. Ano ba naman ang ekta-ek-Kayo naman talaga, siya ay taong may isang salita! His taryang property sa Mt. Sto Tomas na ito, eh family resort naman ito. Pampamilya kung baga! At bilyon word is good enough kumbaga, at magaling bumoka! naman ang nagawa niyang pera (para sa Baguio)! No, no, no, 'di siya balasubas, never, promise! "As member of the Committee on Appropriations, Aliping ensured that the City of Baguio got its fair share from projects and programs implemented by various line agencies. Hence, the DPWH Ang PROTEKTOR NG MGA SKWATER sa Baguio ay isa ding skwater!!!! Baguio City District Engineering Office implemented P392.3 Million in infrastructure projects Ang kinatatayuan ng banay ng tai Cavo, Bakakeng under the 2014 GAA (RA 10633) and P679.6 Million under the 2015 GAA (RA 10651). P918 Million RP # 01-050 ALIPING are being implemented under the 2016 GAA (RA 10717)." Skwaler din ang mga ka **Dalawang Bilyong tumataginting!!** Pero mahirap na kasi talaga ang buhay ngayon, na pati Siya dia ay abogado ng mga SHABU AT DRUG PUL ya din siyang MABISYONG SUGAROLINI yag alay ng salatin ng bayan sa siyudad natin ay Bi Siya av main a alyead antin ay Bisyo hindi SERBISYONI dalawang bilyong piso, di na natin makita kung saan napunta! Eh ano ngayon kung watershed ang kinatatayuan Higit sa lahat, siya ay maka=kalikasan! ng bahay niya sa Crystal Cave, eh watershed din naman yung resort niya sa Mt. Cabuyao ah! Maghanap din kayo ng watershed niyo! Building an "Ego-Park" on a Forrest Reserve can be achieved: * Without an Excavation Permit. * Without a Tree Cutting Permit, * Without an Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC), * Without a License to cut, gather & collect Timber & other Forest Products, Without a License to occupy & destroy A Forrest Reserve, and Vithout a License to contaminate and pollute vital water sources. Sobra na talaga kayo! Tutubo rin naman ang mga punong 'yan! Ang springs, lilinaw din naman 'yan, isa pa, marami namang tubig ang Baguio ah! ang narar ang nararapat

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FIRST JUCICIAL REGION BRANCH 5 BAGUIO CITY

IN RE-CORRECTION CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF MINE RODRIGUEZ "A": CANBAZ.

Spouses COSKUN RODRIGUEZ CANBAZ of Baguio. CANBAZ and LIEZL R CANBAZ Petitioners.

-versus

Office of the Local Philippine Statistics Authority.

SPECIAL PRO-CEEDINGS CASE NO. 2528-R

NOTICE OF HEARING

Petitioners, through counsel, filed a verified petition praving that this Court, after notice, publication, and hearing, render judgement ordering the citizenship and occupation of the father, Coskun Canbaz, be changed from Filipino to Turkish citizen and from Overseas Filipino Worker to Businessman which is on the file with the Local Civil Registrar of Baguio City and the **Philippine Statistics** Authority. In support of their petition, petitioners alleged, among others, the following:

"1. Petitioners are husband and wife, both of legal age, Turkish citizen and Filipino citizen, respectively, and residents of 199 **Bonifacio Street, Baguio** City. They may be served from the Honorable Court through their undersigned counsel;

2. Respondents Local Civil Registrar of Baguio City with office address located at T. Alonzo Street, and the Philippine Statistics Authority located at Solicarel Building, Ramon Order be published Magsavsav Boulevard. Sta. Mesa, Manila are newspaper of general being impleaded as nominal parties consid-

Court decision relative to this case:

OF ENTRIES IN THE by an Islam, Joel Ali counsel, all of Baguio Omar, the Certificate of City. Further, let copies hereto attached as Annex Bulletin Board of this their daughter. MINE Post Office, all of the City

> was born, the fact of her the Philippine Statistics by hereto attached Certificate of Live Birth Court. this 29th day of

marked as Annex "B": March, 2016 at Baguio 5. In the aforemen-Civil Registrar of tioned Certificate of Live Baguio City and the Birth of the child, the Citizenship and Occunation of the father were erroneously indicated Respondents. therein as Filipino and

an overseas Filipino Worker; 6. In truth and in fact, the father, herein petitioner Coskun Canbaz in a Turkish citizen and a businessman; 7. The erroneous

entries are due to inadvertent clerical error and not for any illegal purposes or to conceal such fact: 8. The citizenship

and nationality of the petitioner are proven hereto attached Fund), documents, such as Passport and Residency Permit of the Petitioner, marked as Annex "C" and Series: 9. It is for the best

interest of the child. Mine Rodriguez Canbaz, that the factual circumstances of her father, petitioner Coskun Canbaz. indicated in the Certificate of Live Birth of the child be corrected.

NOW THEREFORE. finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be set for hearing before this Court, at its Session Hall, on the 13th day of with process emanating May 2016, at 8:30 in the morning, at which place, date and time, the petitioners shall prove the merits of his petition and any interested person

circulation in the City

may appear and show cause, if there be any, why the same should not be granted. Let a copy of this in The Junction, a

ering that these offices of Baguio and suburbs, za Building, 358 Sen. Gil shall implement the once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks.

Let copies hereof be 3. Petitioners con- served upon the Office tracted marriage on of the Hon. Solicitor April 18, 2015 at the General, Makati City, Grand Mosque located at the Local Civil Registrar, Campo Filipino, Baguio the Philippine Statistics City in accordance with Authority, and the peti-Muslim rites solemnized tioners, through their Marriage of the parties is hereof be posted at the of March 01, 2016, the tigate the above-de- JC-06 Central Pico, La Court, the City Hall, the accumulated obligation regarding the encum- satisfy the mortgage in-4. On May 13, 2015, City Market, and the to the petitioner in the WITNESS THE birth was registered in HONORABLE MARIA LIGAYA V. Authority as evidenced ITLIONG-RIVERA, Presiding Judge of this

> City Philippines. (SGD) ATTY. ÀLEJANDRO EPIFANIO D. GUERRERO Clerk of Court V Publication Dates: April 2, 9 and 16, 2016

Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FIRST JUDICIAL

REGION OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT La Trinidad, Benguet

(Pag-IBIG HDMF

Petitioner -versus-JAMES B. DACY-ON, married to NOR-MITA A. DACYON, Respondents,

> CASE NO 15-EXF-1898

FOR: EXTRAJUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL MORTGAGE

UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED x- ---- x NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S PUBLIC

AUCTION SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135 filed by Petitioner, HOME DE-**VELOPMENT MUTU-**AL FUND (PAG-IBIG FUND), a government financial institution duly organized and existing under and by virtue of Republic Act No 9679 with principal office at Petron Megapla-

NEWS

Puyat Avenue, Makaherein Reagainst DACYON, married to NORMITA A DACYless ' ON, both of legal age, Filipinos, and residents of Palpaltogan, Paco, Mankavan. Benguet. to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as ers/bidders may investotal amount of ONE MILLION NINE HUN-DRED NINE THOU-SAND SIX HUNDRED date, it shall be held ONE TWENTY FIVE PE- on June 28, 2016 at the SOS & 05/100 (PHP same time and place 1,909, 625.05), Philippine currency, excluding stipulated interests, surcharges, penalties, attorney's fees, and othpines. er expenses incidental to the public auction sale, the undersigned or his duly authorized deputy will sell at public auction on MAY 19. 2016 AT 11:00 IN THE MORNING, at the main entrance of the BUL-WAGAN NG KATA-**RUNGAN**, Justice Hill, La Trinidad, Benguet to the highest bidder. for cash or manager's check and in Philippine currency, the real property, together with all existing improvements with the following description, to wit:

TRANSFER **CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-71398** "A parcel of land (Lot 9, Blk. 9, Psd-131113-006700 being a portion of Lot 1-A. Psu-1-001213), situated at Barangay Irisan. Municipality of Tuba, Province of Benguet, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the NE., along line 1-2 by Lot 10, Block 9 of the subd. plan: on the SE., and SW., along lines 2-3-4 by Road 08 (6.50 m. wide); on the SW., along line 4-5 by Road 02 (8.00 m, wide): on the NW., along line 5-1 by Lot 1. Block 9 of the subd. plan. Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan being S. 84 deg., 32'W., 2357.11 m. from Triangulation Sta LIMESTONE, Baguio Townsite to corner 1, thence: S. 19 deg., 53'E., 10.00

m. to point 2; S. 70 deg., 07' W., 5.30 m. to point 3;

N. 69 deg., 55'W., 1.54 m. to point 4; N. 35 deg., 31' W., 9.36

Act No. 3135 filed by Rural Bank of Itogon (Benguet) Inc. duly or

m. to point 5; ganized and existing N. 70 deg., 07'E., 9.00 under and by virtue of City, Philippines, *m. to point of beginning*; the laws of the Repub-*Containing an area* lic of the Philippines spondents, JAMES B. of SEVENTY SIX (76) with principal business square meters, more or at 1993 Public Market Bldg., Km 5 Pico. All sealed bids must La Trinidad, Benguet, be submitted to the against Tomando Raundersigned on the mon S. Dongpaer above-stated time and married to Angeline T. date. Prospective buyrespondents have an scribed real properties Trinidad, Benguet, to brances thereof, if any, In the event the public auction should not FIVE take place on the said NINE

without further notice.

FOR THE

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SHERIFF

EX-OFFICIO OF

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(SGD) WHINSTON

P. DULAWAN

Sheriff IV

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CLERK OF COURT

La Trinidad, Benguet

RURAL BANK OF

Petitioner-Mortgagee

-versus-

MON S. DONGPAEN

married to ANGE-

FORECLOSURE

CASE NO.

16-EXF-1893

FOR: EXTRA-JU-

DICIAL FORECLO-

SURE OF REAL ES-

TATE MORTGAGE

UNDER ACT 3135

AS AMENDED

NOTICE OF

EXTRA-JUDICIAL

SALE

Upon extra-judicial

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ITOGON

GUET) INC.

ROMANDO

Dongpaen, of legal age, Filipino, with residence debtedness as of March 16, 2016 amounts to HUNDRED THOUSAND HUNDRED EIGHTEEN & 02/100 PESOS (P509,118.02) Philippine curren Done this 15th day of cy, including eighteer April 2016, at La Trin- (18%) percent interest idad, Benguet, Philip- per annum, ten (10%) percent per annum of the principal amount as penalty, twenty (20%) on whatever amount is due the mortgagee from the mortgagors as attorney's fee as agreed and contained in the pertinent promissory note except other legal fees incidental to the fore closure proceedings. The undersigned will sell at public auction on May 11, 2016 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the main entrance of the Bulwagan ng Katarungan building, Justice Hill, La Trinidad, Benguet to the highest bidder, the parcel of land with the improvements thereon to wit:

> ASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY NO. 99-001-08785

ated at Pongavan, Poblacion, Tuba, Benguet, Bounded on the North E: Leandro Lagto, S East: Pulido Basibas South W: Ma Cristina LINE T. DONGPAEN Corpuz, N West: Existing road, with an area of FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY EIGHT (458) sq. meters more or less."

> Prospective bidders buyers may investigate the above-described real property regarding the encumbrances thereof, if any there be.

In the event of public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on May 31, 2016, without further notice.

La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, This 14th day of April, 2016

petition for sale under FOR THE PROVIN-CIAL SHERIF EX-OF-FICIO OF BENGUET

April 16-19, 2016

the Certificate of Live (SGD) JOSELITO Birth of Petitioner, to TUMBAGA wit A. Date of birth -Sheriff IV from May 5, 1957 to **Publication Dates:** April April 18, 1953: 16. 23. and 30. 2016 **B** Middle initial from "D" to "O": and Republic of the C. Last name Philippines of Mother – from REGIONAL TRIAL "Daglisen" to OLTING. COURT **BRANCH 64 Finding the Petition** to be sufficient in form FIRST JUDICIAI and substance, the same REGION is hereby set for hearing Abatan, Buguias. on June 1, 2016 at 8:30 Benguet o'clock in the morning. before this Court, at PETITION FOR which date and time all CORRECTION OF concerned may appear ENTRIES IN THE and show cause, if any why the Petition should CERTIFICATE OF not be granted. LIVE BIRTH OF Let copies of this FELIX O. OLANTES, Order be published at the expense of the peti-FELIX O. OLANTES, tioner in The Junction, Petitioner; for three (3) consec--versusutive weeks. The first THE LOCAL CIVIL publication to be made REGISTRAR OF BUnot later than April 17. 2016. GUIAS. BENGUET Furnish copies here-AND THE PHILIPof, together with the Pe-STATISTICS tition and annexes to the AUTHORITY, Hon. Solicitor General, Respondent the Provincial Prosecutor of Benguet, the SPEC Local Civil Registrar of PROCEEDINGS Buguias, Benguet, the Philippine Statistics Au-CASE NO. 16-C-248 thority. Petitioner and

counsel

Benguet,

2016

SO ORDERED.

this 6th day of April

(SGD) SERGIO T.

ANGNGANAY, JR.

Buguias

Philippines

Abatan.

April 16-19, 2016

Aliping, D'-one-and-onli;

BY: NESTOR "PAKEN" CASTRO

sa Quezon City. Si Go ba at si Vergara mayroon nun? pages I mentioned. 3. First time congressman pa lang mayroon ng malaking The question at this point is, who is most likely behind this? bahay -MANSYON na kanyang iniskwatan ang lupa sa We can simply just speculate at this point between either the Aliping or Vergara camps as they would obviously be the bene-Crystal Cave na isang tunay na government property dala nang ito av Crystal Cave Reservation (4.5 hectares, Proclaficiaries. Although, examination of the FB page would show that mation No. 16 dated April 27, 1922). Si Go ba at Vergara most of the adherents or those who like the FB page are from the Aliping Camp. may lupain at bahay na iniskwatan sa Crystal Cave?

4. First time congressman pa lang may matinding kaso sa Ombudsman dala ng pag-demanda sa kanya ng Department of Justice (DOJ) sa kanvang pagka-sangkot sa pagputol ng humigit-kumulang na 1,000 plus na puno. Si Go ba at si Vergara may kaso sa Ombudsman sa krimen laban sa kalikasan?

TEPO?

6. First time congressman pa lang naka-kalap na ng bilyon pisong pondo dala ng siya ay kasamahan ni Pangulong PNOY sa LP, mga provekto na sigurado natin na walang bahid ng KORAPSYON???. Si Go ba at si Vergara kaya kumalap ng BILYON PISONG PONDO?

7. Si Aliping hindi pa Congressman, nag wild west sa factor, konti lang kasi sa masa ang nakinabang at puros crony-con-Bakakeng at pinaputok ang kanyang paltog para pakita na tractors lang ni Aliping nakinabang). tunay na lalaki talaga siya at 'wag natin kakalimutan ang Of course the masa or as they are led to believe, their kailyan factor ang dadala sa kanila. Well, let us see about that. I have more ipinakita niyang tunay na PAGMAMAHAL sa mga PROfaith in the Igorots and I certainly would not want to insult them FESSIONAL BIG TIME SQUATTERS noong taong 2009 sa by thinking that simply because Aliping is Torogi will they vote ISINASAGAWANG OFFICIAL AND VALID DEMOLITION him (this is certainly true if Aliping's record is good). SA BUSOL WATERSHED ng kanyang hinabol at hampasin In fact, my better half is a full blooded torogi from Mountain si Engr. Nazita Banez, at pati na ang mga pulis ay napatigil Province, and I promise that I will do my best to the best of my dala ng mga aksyon ni Macho Man Attorney City Councilor ability to try and convince their kailvans, etc. not to vote for Aliping. Si Go ba at si Vergara kayang umasta ng ganyan? Aliping

8. Sa kasalukuyan, Campaign Headquarters pa lang Worthy to note is Councilor Clavarall's sincere and consistent Just to set the record straight, I am not and will most likely will concern for what Baguio will become if the city's continuing A1-team- ALIPING, nasa isang 1,100 sqm property na sa not endorse and/or campaign for either Vergara or Go. I have trust traffic congestion will not be stalled or preempted which he kasalukuyan ay hindi ko pa tiyak kung nabili na ito ni Aliping in our voters. They are now more discerning at our local level. has shown even as a neophyte Councilor, but which was not Now to zero in on the EXTREME IDIOT(S) WHO CREATED o kung ano ang usapan sa may-ari ng lupain (Gamphel exhibited by other official of the city until today --- not Mayor THAT BLOG AND FB PAGE, allow me to comment. Realty-kagalang galang na contractor Gamaliel Flores), Domogan or then Councilor Jose Molintas or Vice Mayor Edison Your attempt at fantasy script writing is extremely pathetic and ngunit atin itong aalamin. O, tingnan naman ninyo ang mga Bilog, in particular. The latter had all the chances in this world extremely shameful, you have no talent and/or ability to speak Campaign Headquarters ni Go at Vergara parang lungga of in this line, perhaps you are better off licking Aliping's dirty to show it, but they all blew it. ng AWW-AWW doggie-dogie -Dog house! Mga walang Come to think of it, had Councilor Claravall did not leave __ and s_____ g his d ____. The baseless and shameless binatbat! ideas thrown in both the FB and the blog are worst than cat shit. the City Council to join the Judiciary, he would have surely 9. Ito talagang si General Manager ng Baguio Water District continued his one pet advocacy of shielding the city from the So what if Mark Go is from Tarlac, Vergara is from Tubao,

(BWD) kung bakit pina-sampahan pa ng reklamo itong si adverse effects of traffic congestion. Nevertheless, with his return La Union and Aliping is from Mountain Province. Aliping sa Pollution Adjudication Board for violation of the to the political fold, we can be assured that this advocacy which Unlike us, when we point out (or you may even call it attack) Clean Water Act of 2004 dahil sa pag-kontamina daw ng never left him all these years will be given more attention, what certain candidates, it is always with factual basis and not just tatlong springs sa Camp 6, Tuba mula daw sa earth moving simply inuendos, chismis, kwento-kwento at bali-balita lang. with the traffic jams in the city becoming more aggravated and and tree cutting sa resort ni Aliping. Ano ka ba naman GM We at this paper and at Linis Gobyerno are not like that. We have almost crippling. It goes without saving that since the present leadership has never been like that. We will never be like that/those pathetic Royeca, para na kontamina lang naman ang mga springs na failed to solve for us the problems of traffic in the last 20 years shit-head(s) who created that blog and FB page, and for as long tumutulong sa supply ng tubig sa Baguio, eh bakit habang or so (or until the problem has become almost insurmountable), as there is basis in fact, puwede naming banatan!!! buhay bang makokontamina ang mga springs? Eh lilinaw I actually only sympathize, with some of the A1-Pnov candiit behoove us to try, as a civic duty to ourselves and to our sucrin naman 'yan, tutal naman maraming tubig sa siyudad ng dates who joined Aliping for reasons only God and themselves ceeding generation, to find someone now who has shown an Baguio at hindi naman kinakapos ang tubig sa Baguio. Ikaw would know. My thinking is simply because of association with honest and sincere interest on the problem of traffic in the past talaga GM Royeca, pinupolitika mo si kaawa-awang Aliping the wrong person, their showing this coming elections would be like for instance, retired Judge Edilberto Claravall when he was ha?! O si Go ba at si Vergara may reklamo-kaso sa Pollution worse than should be. Yung isa sa kanila pastor-pastoran pa, yun a Councilor. If whe truly believe he is that someone, don't you Adjudication Board for violation of the Clean Water Act of isa naman, hindi na inisip yung magandang pangalan na pinundar think we should rally behind him when we finally choose the 2004? ng kanyang ama at angkan, tsk! tsk! tsk! Elections truly brings leader of the city this coming May? Wala talaga kayo. For a change we probably should, why not? As for me, I will. out the best and worst in those that lust for power and money!!!

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Social welfare...

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The people have found their voices and are asserting their right to protect the gains they have made; that they actually hold proof that their dreams are becoming their reality. We should continue to support that." Secretary Soliman said

Release of grants, pension, and other funds in relation to DSWD are scheduled by the respective programs of the Department and this is being closely monitored by DSWD Field Office personnel./Nerizza Faye G. Villanueva-DSWD CAR

MAGKASANGGA TAYO

Go & Vergara mahina sila! (reprint from April 13)

king ipapaliwanag kung bakit ko nasabi na walang Aking ipapaliwanag kung dakit ku nasaul na walang binatbat ang mga katunggali ni Cong. Aliping na sina Go at Vergara. Basahin ang mga accomplishments nitong si first timer and neophyte Congressman Aliping.

1. First time congressman pa lang mayroon ng ekta-ektaryang lupain na kanyang dine-develop as a private resort sa isang WATERSHED sa bundok ng Mount Sto. Tomas Tuba, Benguet. Si Go ba at si Vergara mayroon nun?

2. First time congressman pa lang mayroon ng MANSYON

5. First time congressman pa lang mayroon ng na-issue sa kanya na Temporary Environmental Protection Order siya sa kalikasan. Si Go ba at si Vergara na-isyuhan na ng

FASTRACK

IDIOTIC Discrimination; Afraid of Mark Go!!!

BY: FREDDIE J. FARRES

I am now certain that the persons behind the creation of the following blog and Facebook page: notomarkgo2016.blogspot. com, www.facebook.com/NoToMarkGo, definitely have nothing more worthy against candidate Mark Go. Oh my Lord, is that all you have, dishing out extremely shallow and baseless (negative/ black) propaganda? (I say baseless because there is not even an iota of supporting docs.) Claims on Mark Go's alleged corrupto criticize next, the length of his dick?!?!). To the readers of this column, if you have nothing better to do, check out the web

COMMENTARIES

Well, I don't blame the people at the Aliping camp to be scared shit of Mark Go, given the 2,800 votes difference during the last elections. Despite the claim that they had the blessing of the INC that had an estimated 5K to 7K (possible swing votes), the difference was only 2,800 votes. Oh Diyos por santo, maraming hindi na makatulog ng mahimbing sa ngayon. Unfortunately, for the Aliping camp, the numbers and the scenario have changed. While it is a fact that they are right now loaded with money, it would seem that this is their only asset, actually. While I am of the belief (TEPO) na regalo sa kanya ng Korte Suprema para maawa that money is the most important factor, it is not everything. The bottomline would be mape-pera ba nila ang majority ng botante that they need to win? Of course registered voter base has now increased to 140,000+, and with a high voter turnout of 80% (wishful thinking) that would mean 112,000 voters. For Aliping to clinch it would mean a record 50% of actual voters or 56,000 voters. Mukhang, may kataasan 'ata ito, given the numerous issues and very bad reputation of Aliping, plus given the beneficiaries of actual accomplishments. (I call this the "spread the sunshine"

FAIR AND SQUARE

For A Change: On the Issue of Traffic **Congestion (Part 3)** BY: ATTY. JAMES S. VALEROS



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Many will probably not remember or even know that long before the first moratorium prohibiting the grant of franchises to all public utility vehicles in Baguio City was declared by the LTFRB under Memorandum Circular No. 96-002, Atty. Edilberto T. Claravall, a neophyte Councilor just elected in May of 1992, already foresaw that the city under the circumstances obtaining then would inevitably suffer traffic paralysis because tion, poor health, being a Tarlaqueno, etc. (What are they going of the way LTFRB in this region was uncontrollably issuing franchises to public utility vehicles in the city, --- if nothing is done to contain it.

So concerned was he of his dim prognosis for the city that Councilor Claravall urgently authored a resolution which became Resolution Nr. 323, S. of 1992 entitled: Urging the LTFRB to suspend the grant of new franchises to any public utility vehicle plying the route in the City of Baguio, the intent of which is to protect and shield the constituencies, residents and visitors alike, from the debilitating effects of uncontained traffic congestion and pollution.

Not contented with the action taken by the LTFRB Region 1 to the City's Resolution 323-92, Councilor Claravall was constrained to sponsor another resolution which became Resolution Nr. 247, S. of 1993 entitled: Strongly urging the LTFRB Regional Office No. 1 to reconsider its Regional Memorandum Circular $\tilde{No.}$ 93-01-006 and that any action it may take on the matter be forwarded to the Sangguniang Panlungsod (City Council) at the soonest possible time.

Arising from Councilor Claravall's authored resolutions was City Council's Resolution Nr. 012, S. of 1994 which was titled: Appealing to President Fidel V. Ramos, the lack of support from the LTFRB to previous resolutions urging the LTFRB to suspend the grant of new franchises to any public utility vehicles plying their route in the City of Baguio.

Subsequently, probably irritated by the obstinate attitude of LTFRB Region 1 which continued to issue new franchises despite the several resolutions already passed by the City Council recommending the suspension in the issuance of franchises, Councilor Claravall was impelled to propose another resolution which became Resolution Nr. 124, S. of 1994 entitled: Urging the Congress of the Philippines through the sponsorship of Hon. Bernardo M. Vergara, to amend Republic Act No. 7160 (Local Government Code of 1991), by adding therein as among the powers, duties and functions of local government units the authority to regulate and grant franchises for the operation of jeepneys and taxicabs within their respective territorial jurisdictions

