



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23
Series of 2023

AN ORDER PROVIDING FOR THE INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE VALUES FORMATION PROGRAM AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF VALUES FORMATION OFFICE OF THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Republic Act No. 6713 otherwise known as the "Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees", provides that the policy of the State to promote a high standard of ethics in public service. Public officials and employees shall at all times be accountable to the people and shall discharge their duties with utmost responsibility, integrity, competence, and loyalty, act with patriotism and justice, lead modest lives, and uphold public interest over personal interest;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4 (c) of the said law, every public official and employee shall observe justness and sincerity, among others, as standard of personal conduct;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the abovementioned provision, public officials and employees shall remain true to the people at all times. They must act with justness and sincerity and shall not discriminate against anyone, especially the poor and the underprivileged. They shall at all times respect the rights of others, and shall refrain from doing acts contrary to law, good morals, good customs, public policy, public order, public safety and public interest. They shall not dispense or extend undue favors on account of their office to their relatives whether by consanguinity or affinity except with respect to appointments of such relatives to positions considered strictly confidential or as members of their personal staff whose terms are coterminous with theirs;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 713, issued on March 12, 2008, strengthening the authority of Presidential Council on Values Formation towards the effective pursuit of a just and moral Philippine society, formed part of government's effort to establish just and moral governance;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 714 which was also issued on March 12, 2008, entitled "Enhancing the Government's Institutional Mechanism for Interfaith Activities, Renaming the National Committee on Interfaith Cooperation, and for Other Purposes", sought to improve governmental mechanism on interfaith activities as a tool for promoting peace and upholding human dignity;

NOW THEREFORE, I, EDUARDO B. GADIANO, Governor of Occidental Mindoro, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct the following:

Section 1. CREATION OF VALUES FORMATION OFFICE. The Values Formation Office of the Province of Occidental Mindoro is hereby created under the Provincial Governor's Office. It shall be responsible for the spearheading of the Values Formation Programs which shall be identified by the said office.

Section 2. FOCAL PERSON OF VALUES FORMATION PROGRAM. For the above purpose, the focal person of the Values Formation Program is hereby designated, to wit:

Focal Person: Mr. JUN M. JAVATE



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Section 3. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The Values Formation Office shall have the following functions:

1. Lead in the conduct of moral values activities, counseling and seminars among the employees and officials of the Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro;
2. Pursue the goal of establishing a strong family foundation;
3. Serve as primary body for effective coordination of existing values formation programs initiated by the provincial government;
4. Receive, approve, prioritize, and assist in the implementation of programs and projects submitted to the Provincial Governor's Office that seek to inculcate and strengthen moral values in the community and society and its sub-sectors;
5. Work hand-in-hand with educational institutions, government-owned, private sectors and the community as a whole in building a strong foundation for formal value formation;
6. Monitor the progress of programs by constantly seeking ways and means to enhance the values of its citizens with relevance to the current trends and supported with substantial research/studies as well as with consultation and coordination with different agencies and institutions; and
7. Perform such other functions as may be assigned by the Provincial Governor.

Section 4. FUNDING. The funding necessary for the implementation of this Executive Order shall be included in the annual budget appropriations of the Provincial Governor's Office. However, the amount to be allocated for this purpose shall be determined according to the availability of fund. Fund utilization for the operation of this program shall be in accordance with the existing auditing and accounting rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission on Audit and to all pertinent laws, rules, and regulations.

Section 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.

If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid for any reason, the parts not affected thereby shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

Section 6. REPEALING CLAUSE.

All Executive Orders, Rules and Regulations issued by this province which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, superseded or modified accordingly.

Section 7. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.

This order shall take effect immediately.

Done at the Provincial Capitol, Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro this 14th day of April 2023.


EDUARDO B. GADIANO
Governor