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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 030 - 2023

AN ORDER CREATING THE MUNICIPAL "OPLAN BAKLAS" TEAM OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA, BULACAN

WHEREAS, the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) Elections (BSKE) in the Philippines, scheduled on October 30, 2023, is a crucial electoral event that occurs every three years to choose local leaders in barangays and youth councils;

WHEREAS, it is essential to ensure the integrity of elections and maintain the cleanliness of public spaces within the Municipality of Santa Maria, Bulacan during the Barangay and SK election periods;

WHEREAS, unauthorized campaign materials, such as posters, banners, streamers, and other election-related materials, often clutter public spaces and violate election rules and regulations;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) has provided guidelines and regulations for the removal of unauthorized campaign materials through the "Oplan Baklas" campaign;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARTOLOME R. RAMOS, Municipal Mayor of Santa Maria, Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the creation of the **Municipal "Oplan Baklas" Team of the Municipality of Santa Maria, Bulacan.**

SECTION 1. COMPOSITION OF THE TEAM. The Municipal "Oplan Baklas" Team shall be composed of the following members:

Chairman: **ELENA L. BRITO**
Municipal Election Officer

Members: **JAYFIE P. NASARRO**
Municipal Local Government Operations Officer VI

ENGR. CARMELITA G. GUEVARRA
Municipal Engineer

ROMMEL Z. ENRIQUEZ
Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer

EUSTACIO D. SANTOS
Traffic Operations Officer -SMTMU

ANTONIO MATEO
Designated Municipal Public Information Officer

ATTY. IVAN KRISTEL CRUZ
Municipal Legal Consultant

PLTCOL CHRISTIAN B. ALUCOD
Acting Chief of Police, PNP Santa Maria, Bulacan

INSP. JONATHAN HUNGRIANO, JR.
Municipal Fire Marshall

EMMANUEL DE JESUS
MERALCO Santa Maria Branch Manager

ENGR. GEORGE DC. SANTOS
DPWH Bulacan - 2nd District Engineer

SECTION 2. DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS. The Municipal "Oplan Baklas" Team shall have the following duties and functions:

1. Inspect public spaces within the municipality to identify unauthorized campaign materials.
2. Issue notifications and warnings to individuals or parties responsible for unauthorized campaign materials, providing a specified period for compliance.
3. Coordinate closely with the COMELEC and local government units to ensure the enforcement of campaign regulations.
4. Document instances of violations, including photographs and relevant details.
5. Remove unauthorized campaign materials, adhering to campaign regulations.
6. Ensure proper disposal of removed materials in accordance with environmental regulations.
7. Recommend legal actions to the COMELEC in cases of non-compliance with campaign regulations.
8. Raise public awareness about the importance of adhering to campaign regulations and the consequences of violations.
9. Ensure the safety and security of team members and the public during removal operations.
10. Provide regular reports to the Mayor's Office and relevant authorities regarding the progress of "Oplan Baklas" activities.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVITY – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 19th of September 2023, here at the Municipal Hall of Santa Maria, Province of Bulacan.

BARTOLOME R. RAMOS
Municipal Mayor