



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL
Region VIII



Regional Nutrition Committee VIII

RNC VIII Resolution No. 3, Series of 2019

“REQUESTING THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (RDC) VIII TO ENJOIN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs) IN EASTERN VISAYAS TO IMPLEMENT RA 11148, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ‘KALUSUGAN NG MAG-NANAY ACT’”

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that “The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and shall instill health consciousness among them”;

WHEREAS, the State commits to the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) and the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) to contribute to the improvement of quality of human resource base in the country and in the reduction of maternal and child mortality and stunting;

WHEREAS, one of the priorities of the State is nutrition for females, pregnant and lactating women, including adolescent girls, women of reproductive age, teenage mothers, infants and young children;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11148, also known as the “*Kalusugan ng Mag Nanay Act*” seek to scale up nutrition intervention in the First 1000 days of child’s life, allocate resources in a sustainable manner for nutritional status improvement, and to address the malnutrition among infants and young children from zero(0) to two (2) years old, adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating women, as well as to ensure growth and development of infants and young children;

WHEREAS, the 2017 National Demographic and Health Survey in Region VIII revealed of 27.0 infant mortality rate, 32.0 under-five mortality rate, and 5.0 child mortality rate while 6.9 percent of the 227 women aged 15-19 have begun childbearing;

WHEREAS, the number should have been reduced if the program components are provided and delivered at different life stages: prenatal period, about to give birth and immediate postpartum period, postpartum and lactating, birth and new born, first six months of infancy and first six months up to two years of a child;

WHEREAS, the Act guides everyone in strengthening the delivery of services and interventions in the first 1000 days of life, it focuses on strengthening health and nutrition programs for pregnant women especially at the local government units;

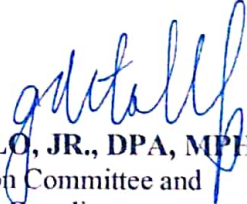
WHEREAS, realizing the importance of the law, the Regional Nutrition Council VIII joins the Department of Health and the National Nutrition Council in informing the local government units (LGUs) and calls for the adoption and implementation of RA 11148 through the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) ;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to request the RDC VIII to Enjoin the LGUs in Eastern Visayas to Implement RA 11148, Otherwise Known as the '*Kalusugan ng Mag Nanay Act*'.


RESOLVED FURTHER, that copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of the Interior and Local Government VIII for wide dissemination.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED, this 19th day of December, Two Thousand and Nineteen in Palo, Leyte.

Certified true and correct:


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