



OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16

Series of 2025

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER EXEMPTING MARKET STALL OWNERS WITH WATER CONNECTION LINES AT THE MONCADA PUBLIC MARKET FROM THE COLLECTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL FEE (SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM) AND DIRECTING THE GOVERNING BOARD TO ISSUE A FORMAL POLICY THEREON

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code of 1991 (Republic Act 7160) empowers local government units to adopt measures promoting the health, safety, and general welfare of their constituents, including the implementation of environmental programs such as Septage Management;

WHEREAS, Municipal Ordinance No. 03, Series of 2020, otherwise known as the Sewage and Septage Management Ordinance of the Municipality of Moncada, established the framework for the Municipality's Septage Management Program;

WHEREAS, Municipal Ordinance No. 16, Series of 2021, entitled "An Ordinance Prescribing a Schedule of Environmental Fees for the Septage Management Program in the Municipality and Amending for this Purpose Section 8 of Municipal Ordinance No. 03, Series of 2020", provided the authority and schedule for the collection of Environmental Fees to support the program;

WHEREAS, the Moncada Water District, a partner in the Septage Management Program, already incorporates the Environmental Fee in its billing system for its consumers, including Market Stall Owners with water connection lines at the Moncada Public Market;

WHEREAS, the collection of the Environmental Fee from Market Stall Owners who are also consumers of the Moncada Water District would constitute double collection, since their metered connection with Moncada Water District does not utilize septic tanks that require desludging every five years;

WHEREAS, to ensure fairness, equity, and consistency in the application of the Environmental Fee under Municipal Ordinance No. 16, Series of 2021, there is a need to categorically exempt Market Stall Owners who are consumers of the Moncada Water District from said fee;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RAMON BENITO M. AQUINO, Municipal Mayor of Moncada, Tarlac, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. EXEMPTION. All Market Stall Owners with water connection lines at the Moncada Public Market, are hereby exempted from the collection of the Environmental Fee (Septage Management Program) pursuant to Municipal Ordinance No. 16, Series of 2021.

SECTION 2. REFUND. Market Stall Owners covered by this exemption who have already paid the Environmental Fee for the month of August 2025 shall be entitled to a refund. The Moncada Water District is directed to process such refunds upon proper verification and documentation.

SECTION 3. FORMALIZATION. The Governing Board of the Septage Management Program is hereby directed to convene and issue a formal policy adopting and institutionalizing this exemption, for uniform application and guidance.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 26th day of August 2025 in Moncada, Tarlac.


RAMON BENITO M. AQUINO
Municipal Mayor