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**ORDINANCE NO. 22-698**

ENACTED: October 13, 2022

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**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING OCTOBER 29TH OF EVERY YEAR AS INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S (IP) DAY IN THE CITY OF ISABELA, PROVINCE OF BASILAN, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSE**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

**WHEREAS**, Presidential Proclamation 1906 issued on October 5, 2009 declared the month of October of every year as the National Indigenous People's Month to promote, enhance, and still awareness, recognition, and appreciation on the rights of Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples (ICC/IPs) as well as serve as a venue for intercultural exchange and sharing, provide an opportunity for everyone to be reminded of their "common roots";



**WHEREAS**, under the concept of inclusivity being one of the landmark agenda of the City Government of Isabela, the ICC/IPs must be accorded a special day for celebration and institutionalization;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for the City Government of Isabela to set a particular date for local IP Day as a way of remembering the significance and contribution of IPs in the City of Isabela being a culturally-diverse city.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Isabela that:

**Section 1. Title.** This Ordinance shall be known as AN ORDINANCE DECLARING OCTOBER 29TH OF EVERY YEAR AS INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S (IP) DAY IN THE CITY OF ISABELA, PROVINCE OF BASILAN, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSE. For brevity, this Ordinance shall also be known as the "IP Day Ordinance."

**Section 2. Purpose.** As stipulated under RA 8371, otherwise known as the Indigenous Peoples' Right Act of 1997, the State shall recognize and promote all the rights of Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples (ICCs/IPs) hereunder enumerated within the framework of the Constitution:

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- a. The State shall recognize and promote the rights of ICCs/IPs within the framework of national unity and development;
  - b. The State shall protect the rights of ICCs/IPs to their ancestral domains to ensure their economic, social and cultural well being and shall recognize the applicability of customary laws governing property rights or relations in determining the ownership and extent of ancestral domain.
  - c. The State shall recognize, respect and protect the rights of ICCs/IPs to preserve and develop their cultures, traditions and institutions. It shall consider these rights in the formulation of national laws and policies;
  - d. The State shall guarantee that members of the ICCs/IPs regardless of sex, shall equally enjoy the full measure of human rights and freedoms without distinction or discrimination;
  - e. The State shall take measures, with the participation of the ICCs/IPs concerned, to protect their rights and guarantee respect for their cultural integrity, and to ensure that members of the ICCs/IPs benefit on an equal footing from the rights and opportunities which national laws and regulations grant to other members of the population; and
  - f. The State recognizes its obligations to respond to the strong expression of the ICCs/IPs for cultural integrity by assuring maximum ICC/IP participation in the direction of education, health, as well as other services of ICCs/IPs, in order to render such services more responsive to the needs and desires of these communities.

Towards these ends, the State shall institute and establish the necessary mechanisms to enforce and guarantee the realization of these rights, taking into consideration their customs, traditions, values, beliefs, interests and institutions, and to adopt and implement measures to protect their rights to their ancestral domains.

**Section 3. Definition of Terms.** For the Purpose of this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean as follows:

- a. **City or City Government** shall mean as the City of Isabela de Basilan
- b. **Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples or ICC/IP** shall mean to a group of people or homogenous societies identified by self-ascription and ascription by others, who have continuously lived as organized community on communally bounded and defined territory, and who have, under claims of ownership since time immemorial, occupied, possessed and utilized such territories, sharing common bonds of language, customs, traditions and other distinctive cultural traits, or who have, through resistance to political, social and cultural inroads of colonization, non-indigenous religions and cultures, became historically differentiated from the majority of Filipinos. ICCs/IPs shall likewise include peoples who are regarded as indigenous on account of their descent from the populations which inhabited the country, at the time of conquest or colonization, or at the time of inroads of non-indigenous religions and cultures, or the establishment of present state boundaries, who retain some or all of their own social, economic, cultural and political institutions, but who may have been displaced from their traditional domains or who may have resettled outside their ancestral domains;
- c. **IPMR** shall mean as Indigenous Peoples' Mandatory representative, the ex-officio member of the Sangguniang Panlungsod representing the Indigenous Peoples
- d. **NCIP** shall mean as the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples;

**Section 4. IP Day.** October 29 of every year is hereby declared as IP Day in the City of Isabela in line with the celebration of IP Month conducted every October of every year and in celebration of the signing of the IP Rights Act on October 29, 1997.

**Section 5. Programs and Activities.** The City Government of Isabela in coordination with the NCIP and IPMR shall formulate and design programs and activities in line with the celebration of the IP Day in the City of Isabela. The City Government may also conduct activities a week before October 29.

**Section 6. Implementing Office.** The IPMR in consultation with the Office of the City Mayor shall be the lead offices in the implementation of this ordinance and in the execution of the programs, plans, and activities of the IP Day.

**Section 7. Funding.** A minimum budget of One Million Pesos (Php 1,000,000.00) will be allocated for the implementation of this Ordinance. This will be used for the different projects and activities in line with the celebration of IP Day. The said funding may also be augmented subject to the availability of funds.

**Section 8. Separability Clause** If any provision or paragraph of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other parts or provisions thereof shall remain valid and effective.

**Section 9. Repealing Clause** – All ordinances, orders, or rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**Section 10. Effectivity.** This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the provisions as stated under Sec. 59 of RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of the Philippines.

**APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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**CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:**

  
**RODELA AMORES NUÑAL**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

**ATTESTED:**

  
**JHUL KIFLI L. SALLIMAN**  
City Vice-Mayor  
Presiding Officer

**APPROVED:** This 9<sup>TH</sup> day of NOVEMBER, 2022.

  
**SITI DJALIA TURABIN-HATAMAN**  
City Mayor