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Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of July, two thousand twenty-one.

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11730]

AN ACT OFFICIALLY NAMING THE MANDAUE CAUSEWAY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF MANDAUE, PROVINCE OF CEBU, STRETCHING FROM THE CORNER OF S.B. CABAHUG ST., TRAVERSING THE TIPOLO CREEK IN BARANGAY CENTRO AND THE MANDAUE RECLAMATION AREA, UP TO THE BRIDGE OVER THE MAHIGA CREEK AT THE CEBU INTERNATIONAL PORT, AS OUANO AVENUE

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. The Mandaue Causeway in the City of Mandaue, Province of Cebu, stretching from the corner of S.B. Cabahug St., traversing the Tipolo Creek in Barangay Centro and the Mandaue Reclamation Area, up to the bridge over the Mahiga Creek at the Cebu International Port, comprising a total distance of 2.489 kilometers, is hereby officially named as Ouano Avenue.

The Don Andres Soriano Avenue, fronting the existing Mandaue City Cultural and Sports Complex, shall not be a part of the Ouano Avenue consistent with Mandaue City Ordinance No. 97/005 promulgated on March 7, 1997.

SEC. 2. The Department of Public Works and Highways shall issue the necessary rules, orders and circulars to implement the provisions of this Act within sixty (60) days from its effectivity.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,  
VICENTE C. SOTTO III President of the Senate  
LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO Speaker of the House of Representatives

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Philippines on September 28, 2020 and January 31, 2022, respectively.

MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA Secretary of the Senate  
MARK LEONARDO L. MENDOZA Secretary General House of Representatives

Approved: APR 29 2022

RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE President of the Philippines

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[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11731]

AN ACT RENAMING THE CARMEN-SANTO TOMAS ROAD, STRETCHING FROM JUNCTION AGUSAN-DAVAO ROAD FRONTING THE BATTLE OF ISING MONUMENT IN BARANGAY ISING, TRAVERSING THROUGH BARANGAYS NEW CAMILING, ALEJAL AND MAGSAYSAY, ALL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARMEN, PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE, AS SATURNINO R. SILVA ROAD

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. The Carmen-Santo Tomas Road, stretching from Junction Agus-an-Davao Road fronting the Battle of Ising Monument in Barangay Ising, traversing through barangays New Camiling, Alejal and Magsaysay, all in the Municipality of Carmen, Province of Davao del Norte, is hereby renamed as Saturnino R. Silva Road.

SEC. 2. The Department of Public Works and Highways shall issue the necessary rules, orders, and circulars to implement the provisions of this Act within sixty (60) days from its effectivity.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,  
VICENTE C. SOTTO III President of the Senate  
LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO Speaker of the House of Representatives

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Philippines on August 25, 2021 and January 31, 2022, respectively.

MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA Secretary of the Senate  
MARK LEONARDO L. MENDOZA Secretary General House of Representatives

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RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE President of the Philippines

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[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11732]

AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO FENG LI

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Mr. Feng Li is hereby granted Philippine citizenship with all the rights, privileges and prerogatives, as well as the duties and obligations appurtenant thereto under the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

SEC. 2. Mr. Feng Li shall take the Oath of Allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines before an officer duly authorized to administer the same. The Oath of Allegiance shall be registered with the Bureau of Immigration.

SEC. 3. Upon registration of the Oath of Allegiance, the Bureau of Immigration shall issue a Certificate of Naturalization to Mr. Feng Li who shall thereupon enter into the full enjoyment of Philippine citizenship.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,  
VICENTE C. SOTTO III President of the Senate  
LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO Speaker of the House of Representatives

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Philippines on August 2, 2021 and January 31, 2022, respectively.

MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA Secretary of the Senate  
MARK LEONARDO L. MENDOZA Secretary General House of Representatives

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RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE President of the Philippines

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# Obligation of pet owners

Dear Atty. Joji,



LEGAL FORUM  
ATTY. JOJI ALONSO  
& ASSOCIATES

One morning I was jogging around our subdivision when all of a sudden, this huge dog owned by our foreigner neighbor got off its leash and attacked me. I tried to run but the dog already bit my right thigh. I was rushed to the hospital and my husband informed the neighbor of what happened. To our great dismay, our neighbor didn't want to pay for any of my hospital bills nor even apologized. What can I do to make him pay and take responsibility for the injury I sustained?

Marissa

Dear Marissa,

I am so sorry to hear of what happened to you. The Anti-Rabies Act of 2007 or Republic Act (RA) 9482 and DA-DoH-DepEd-DILG Joint Administrative Order 2008-0001 are applicable in your case. This law protects the general public and promotes control and prevention of animal rabies. It likewise enumerates the responsibilities of pet owners, particularly in dog-biting incidents.

SEC. 5. Responsibilities of Pet Owner. — All pet owners shall be required to:

- (a) Have their dog regularly vaccinated against rabies and maintain a registration card which shall contain all vaccinations conducted on their dog, for accurate record purposes.
- (b) Submit their dogs for mandatory registration.
- (c) Maintain control over their dog and not allow it to roam the streets or any public place without a leash.
- (d) Be a responsible owner by providing their dog with proper grooming, adequate food and clean shelter.
- (e) Within 24 hours, report immediately any dog biting incident to the concerned officials for investigation or for any appropriate action and place such dog under observation by a government or private veterinarian.
- (f) Assist the dog bite victim immediately and shoulder the medical expenses incurred and other incidental expenses relative to the victim's injuries.

SEC. 11. Penalties.

- (1) Pet owners who fail or refuse to have their dog registered and immunized against rabies shall be punished by a fine of P2,000.
- (2) Pet owners who refuse to have their dog vaccinated against rabies shall be liable to pay for the vaccination of both the dog and the individuals bitten by their dog.
- (3) Pet owners who refuse to have their dog put under observation after said dog has bitten an individual shall be meted a fine of P10,000.
- (4) Pet owners who refuse to have their dog put under observation and do not shoulder the medical expenses of the person bitten by their dog shall be meted a fine of P25,000.

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(9) If the violation is committed by an alien, he or she shall be immediately deported after service of sentence without any further proceedings.

As clearly provided in the abovementioned provisions, the law strictly requires that the owner of the dog who attacked and bit you must take responsibility and pay for your medical expenses; lest he face the consequence and be meted a penalty of P25,000. In addition, as you mentioned that your neighbor is a foreigner, he could be deported back to his country for non-compliance and violation of the law. You must immediately report this incident to the concerned officials, i.e., barangay officials, health workers, police officials and government veterinarians (Sec. 3b, IRR of RA 9482) so proper legal action may be taken.

Atty. Joji Alonso

# Go vows better health care services

Senator Christopher "Bong" Go vowed to keep on fighting for better healthcare services across the country as he joined President Rodrigo Duterte in the inauguration of the new Dr. Jose Fabella Memorial Hospital last Wednesday in Manila.

The Dr. Jose Fabella Memorial Hospital, which was founded in 1920, is a national specialty hospital for obstetrics, gynecology and pediatric cases. It began as a 10-bed maternity clinic in Sampaloc, Manila until 1950, when it relocated to its current location in Lope De Vega, Manila.

The new hospital will be housed in the Department of Health (DoH) Complex, which already houses the Dr. Jose Reyes Memorial Medical Center and the San Lazaro Medical Center. With a total floor area of 43,287 square meters and six stories, the present bed capacity of the hospital is also raised from 700 to 800. The project likewise includes the purchase of new equipment and the hiring of additional hospital staff.

The project is estimated to cost P2 billion, including the cost of the infrastructure and acquisition of medical equipment, and is funded by DoH's Health Facilities Enhancement Program and revenue generated by the hospital.

Go, who is also Chair of the Senate Committee on Health,

said improving healthcare delivery by upgrading current and creating new hospitals is critical, particularly in locations where medical facilities are desperately needed to meet the requirements of the Filipino people.

Phase 1 of the project is 99.95 percent complete as of 29 April, while Phase 2 is 93.19 percent complete owing to outstanding architectural work. It is expected to be finished in September of this year.

The new Dr. Jose Fabella Memorial Hospital is also expected to expand its capacity to meet the growing demand for maternal and pediatric services from patients across the country, provide modern and secure healthcare facilities for mothers, newborn infants, and pediatric patients, as well as establish itself as a leading research and training center for Reproductive Health and Advanced Neonatal Health.

Go, who is a foremost advocate for improving the healthcare system and services in the country, has also been pushing for several other legislative measures concerning public health. With Go at the helm, the Senate Committee on Health had already earlier sponsored and facilitated the passage of 39 laws upgrading the existing and establishing new public hospitals across the country.