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AN ORDER DESIGNATING A FILIPINO SIGN LANGUAGE (FSL) INTERPRETER FOR THE CITY OF ISABELA LGU, ISABELA CITY, BASILAN PROVINCE.

WHEREAS, R.A. No. 11106 known as “The Filipino Sign Language Act” is an act declaring the Filipino Sign Language (FSL) as the national sign language of the Filipino deaf and the official sign language of government in all transactions involving the deaf, and mandating its use in schools, broadcast media, and workplaces;

WHEREAS, Section 25, Article VIII of the RA No. 11106 Implementing Rules and Regulations provides DILG shall declare FSL as the official language in all its offices and constituent / attached agencies, including all Local Government Units, and its local bodies and mechanisms, for all programs, activities, projects, in all transactions involving the deaf;

WHEREAS, Section 26 of the same article provides that Local Chief Executives shall formulate and issue appropriate policies to institutionalize the presence of the FSL Focal Points from among Social Services staff in their respective LGUs;

NOW THEREFORE, I, SITTI DJALIA TURABIN HATAMAN, by virtue of the power vested in me by law do hereby order and designate a Filipino Sign Language (FSL) Interpreter for the City of Isabela LGU:

Section 1: **Definition of Terms:** For purposes of this order which is based on RA No. 11106, the following terms shall mean:

- a. **Filipino Sign Language (FSL)** - the term used by Deaf Filipinos to refer to their visual language which has evolved naturally through the centuries since hypothesized beginnings in the 1590s in Dulac, Leyte. It is distinct from spoken Filipino. Like other sign languages, it is a visual-spatial language, with no orthographic system (as different from spoken languages) and is rule-governed at the structural levels of phonology, morphology, syntax, and discourse. It belongs to the branch of visual languages influenced by American Sign Language, but has been documented in sign linguistics research to be a language distinct from the latter;
- b. **deaf** - used as an adjective describing individuals who are unable to fully use their hearing to process information. They may or may not be signers or identify themselves with the community of other persons with hearing loss. Non-signers may include some individuals who are hard of hearing, older persons, orally schooled individuals, persons with cochlear implants, and others, who use other modes or means of communications, e.g., speech, and speechreading. Persons with hearing loss



who are isolated and use gestural non-standard signs are also included under this term;

- c. **Deaf** - used as a noun to indicate a subset of deaf Filipinos: those individuals with hearing loss who use the natural visual language of the community and support its goals and values as a linguistic and cultural minority. Thus, the Deaf in the Philippines are those deaf Filipinos who collectively identify as a linguistic and cultural community which uses Filipino Sign Language and actively supports its goals and values. All Filipino Deaf are deaf, while not all deaf Filipinos are Deaf;
- d. **official sign language** - the sign language used in official functions of the government.
- e. **sign language interpreter** - typically a hearing person who produces / renders a message from spoken language into a natural sign language and / or vice-versa;

Section 2: Designation of Focal Person on FSL Interpreter.


A focal person is hereby designated as the FSL Interpreter of the City of Isabela LGU.

Section 3: Duties and Responsibilities: The FSL Interpreter shall have the following roles and functions:

- a. Produce/render a message to and from FSL or produce/render a message from spoken language into natural sign language and/ or vice versa.

Section 4: Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 8th day of JANUARY 2024, in the City of Isabela, Province of Basilan, Philippines.


SITTI DJALIA A. TURABIN-HATAMAN
City Mayor



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DATE : July 29, 2022

In the exigency of service and to help bridge the communication gap between hearing persons and hearing-impaired individuals, as well as ensuring fair and equal access of service, the employees above-mentioned are hereby assigned as Sign Language Interpreters.

This order is hereby confirmed and made on record.

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 City Mayor

07/29/2022 *9:00 AM*
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