EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-20

SERIES OF 2020

"AN EXECUTIVE ORDER CREATING AND CONSTITUTING A TASK FORCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO EFFECTIVELY RESPOND TO EMERGING AND RE-EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASE IN DAVAO CITY, AND DEFINING THE RESPECTIVE POWERS, TASKS, AND FUNCTIONS THEREOF"

WHEREAS, Davao City has been confronted with public health challenges such as the re-emerging infections which include the outbreak of measles and the polio virus type 2 and most recently, an emerging infection which is the COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has declared the Corona Viral Disease-19 (COVID-19) outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on 30 January 2020 due to its massive transmission worldwide resulting to thousands of people infected and numerous deaths;

WHEREAS, the Philippines is one of the countries with emerging COVID-19 suspects and confirmed cases which if remain unabated, may possibly cause far-reaching consequences such as recession, social dislocation, panic, serious fatality and deaths;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991 provides, among others, that the local government unit shall ensure and promote the health and safety of its inhabitants;

WHEREAS, there is a paramount need for Davao City to create a team to effectively respond to and address emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases to protect the health and safety of its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SARA Z. DUTERTE, Mayor of Davao City, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. CREATION OF A TASK FORCE. There shall be created a TASK FORCE ON EMERGING AND RE-EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASE, and the same shall be composed of the following persons or heads of the following offices, to wit:

Chairperson : City Mayor, or in her absence, the City Administrator

Co-Chairperson : City Health Office
Members :

Rapid Action Team
Focal Agency : City Health Office
Members : Department of Health- Region XI
Southern Philippines Medical Center (SPMC)
Bureau of Quarantine- Region XI

**Surveillance Team**
**Focal Agency**: City Health Office
**Members**:
- Bureau of Quarantine- Region XI
- City Health Office- District Health Offices
- Department of Health-Region XI
- Overseas Workers Welfare Administration-Region XI
- Disease Reporting Units of all private hospitals and clinics
- Southern Philippines Medical Center (SPMC)
- Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP)- Region XI
- Liga ng mga Barangay
- Barangay Cultural Communities and Affairs Division (BCCAD)

**Transportation Team**
**Focal Agency**: Central 911
**Members**:
- City Health Office
- Department of Health- Region XI

**Security Team**
**Focal Agency**: Public Safety Security Command Center (PSSCC)
**Members**:
- Philippine National Police (PNP)-PRO XI
- Task Force-Davao
- PNP Aviation Security Unit II
- PNP Maritime Police- Region XI
- Maritime Industry Authority
- Eastern Mindanao Command (Eastmincom)

**Information Team**
**Focal Agency**: City Information Office
**Members**:
- City Health Office, Health Promotion and Development Division (HPDD)
- Sangguniang Panglungsod Committee on Health
- City Social Welfare and Development Office
- City Information Technology Center
- City Veterinarian’s Office
- City Agriculturist office
Barangay Cultural Communities
and Affairs Division (BCCAD)
Davao Medical Society
Philippine Red Cross- Davao City
Chapter
Department of Education- Region
XI
Commission on Higher Education-
Region XI
Davao City Overland Transport
Terminal (DCOTT)
Philippine Information Agency-
Region XI

SECTION 2. FUNCTIONS OF THE TASK FORCE. Each team of the Task Force
shall have the following functions, to wit:

2.1 RAPID ACTION TEAM

a. Carry out the immediate assessment of suspected cases and the initiation
and implementation of containment procedures; and
b. Submit reports to the Chairperson.

2.2 SURVEILLANCE TEAM

a. Provide a report and analysis on surveillance activities on persons under
investigation (PUI) and suspected cases and monitor discharged patients;
b. Coordinate with district health officers for contact tracing and verify/check
rumors circulating in the communities; and
c. Ensure the utmost confidentiality of the private information of the PUIs and
suspected cases.

2.3 TRANSPORTATION TEAM

a. Provide immediate transportation to the members of the Task Force when
needed for surveillance and for other purposes which are related to the functions
of the Task Force.

2.4 SECURITY TEAM

a. Implement control and security measures on the mobility of individuals and
communities suspected or actually affected by the emerging or re-emerging
disease.

2.5 INFORMATION TEAM

a. Ensure adequate awareness of the public on matters related to the
emerging or re-emerging disease.

In general, the Task Force shall submit a periodic consolidated report on all of its
activities to the Chairperson and/or as the need arises as determined by the Chairperson
of the Task Force.
SECTION 3. CREATION AND COMPOSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. There is hereby created an Executive Committee (EXECOM) to be composed of the following:

Chairperson : City Mayor
Co-Chairperson : City Administrator
Members : Focal agencies from each team of the Task Force
           City Legal Office
           Department of the Interior and
           Local Government, Region XI,
           Davao Region

SECTION 4. FUNCTIONS OF THE EXECOM. The Executive Committee shall have the following powers, functions, and duties:

a. Formulate the plans and programs and draft protocols, policies and guidelines to enforce the roles and functions of the Task Force;
b. Ensure that all government issuances and orders related to emerging and re-emerging disease are properly implemented;
c. Ensure the proper coordination between and among government agencies and private institutions to effectively address the public health concerns;
d. Provide regular status report on the progress of the implementation of the plans addressing the public health situation to the City Mayor and Sangguniang Panlungsod; and

e. Perform other functions which are necessary to protect the health and safety of the residents in Davao City.

SECTION 5. MEETINGS. The Executive Committee shall meet on a quarterly basis or as the need arises as determined by the City Mayor to respond to emergency health situation.

SECTION 6. SECRETARIAT. The City Health Office shall serve as the Secretariat of the TASK FORCE and EXECOM tasked to handle all administrative and secretarial functions.

The City Administrator may hereinafter identify additional City Government personnel who will provide administrative support for the efficient operation of the TASK FORCE and EXECOM.

SECTION 7. FUNDING AND OPERATING COSTS. All costs pertaining to the operations of the TASK FORCE and EXECOM shall be chargeable against available funds and resources of the government, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 9. REPEALING CLAUSE. All previous Executive Orders inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Davao, Philippines, this 20 APR 2020.

Attested by:

[Signature]
ATTY. ZULEIKHA T. LOPEZ
City Administrator

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SARA Z. DUTERTE
City Mayor

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