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**AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE GUIUAN ECO-WASTE CENTER & PARK,
DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.**

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WHEREAS, Article II, Section 16 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution enshrines the policy of the State to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9003, otherwise known as the "Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000," declares it the policy of the State to adopt a systematic, comprehensive, and ecological solid waste management program which shall ensure the protection of public health and the environment;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, known as the "Local Government Code of 1991," expressly provides that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

WHEREAS, Section 17(b)(2)(vi) of the same Code devolves to the Municipality the provision of solid waste disposal systems or environmental management systems and services or facilities related to general hygiene and sanitation;

WHEREAS, Section 10 of R.A. 9003 mandates that segregation and collection of solid waste shall be conducted at the barangay level specifically for biodegradable, compostable, and reusable wastes, while the municipality shall be responsible for the collection of non-recyclable materials and special wastes;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to transition from traditional waste disposal methods to a holistic approach that integrates a Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) with an Eco-Park, thereby converting waste management into an opportunity for environmental education and tourism;

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2014, the DENR-EMB VIII issued an Environmental Certificate Compliance Ref. Code ECC-R08-1406-0052, authorizing the LGU of Guiuan to develop the Guiuan Integrated Solid Waste Management Project in Barangay Sto. Niño—which has evolved from post-disaster recovery initiatives to a comprehensive local system—now serves as the foundation for the Guiuan Eco-Waste Center & Park, reflecting the municipality's long-term commitment to sustainable waste reduction, community-led segregation programs like "Basura Mo, Bugas Mo," and the transition toward a circular economy;

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Guiuan Eco-Waste Center & Park is imperative to safeguard public health by abating nuisances from indiscriminate dumping and preventing disease vectors, while strictly complying with the directives of the Department of the Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and the National Solid Waste Management Commission (NSWMC) to close all open dumpsites and establish controlled, sanitary waste facilities;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Bayan finds it meritorious and urgent to enact this legislation to institutionalize the Guiuan Eco-Waste Center & Park;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Guiuan, Eastern Samar, in regular session assembled:

ARTICLE I: GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the "**GUIUAN ECO-WASTE CENTER & PARK ORDINANCE.**"

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.

- a. It is hereby declared the policy of the Municipality of Guiuan to adopt a systematic, comprehensive, and ecological solid waste management program.
- b. The Municipality recognizes the need to transform traditional waste disposal facilities into eco-friendly zones that promote recycling, composting, and environmental education.
- c. This Ordinance adheres to the mandates of Republic Act No. 9003 regarding the establishment of Materials Recovery Facilities (MRF) and the closure of open dumpsites.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS.

- a. **Eco-Waste Center** - A multi-functional facility designed for the segregation, processing, recycling, and composting of solid waste, integrated with green spaces.
- b. **Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC)** - refers to the formal document issued by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources – Environmental Management Bureau (DENR-EMB) certifying

that, based on the representations of the proponent and a thorough review of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), the proposed Guiuan Eco-Waste Center & Park project or any additional facilities therein will not cause significant negative environmental impact. It further certifies that the proponent has complied with all the requirements of the Philippine Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) System and is committed to implementing its approved Environmental Management Plan (EMP) to mitigate identified risks.

- c. **Hazardous Waste** - Solid waste or a combination of solid waste which, because of its quantity, concentration, or physical, chemical, or infectious characteristics, may cause or significantly contribute to an increase in mortality or pose a substantial hazard to human health or the environment.
- d. **Materials Recovery Facility (MRF)** - A facility designed to receive, sort, process, and store compostable and recyclable material efficiently and in an environmentally safe manner.
- e. **Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO)** – Serves as the primary management authority and technical lead for the Guiuan Eco-Waste Center & Park.
- f. **Park Zone** - A designated area within the facility intended for landscaping, vegetation, and educational tours, serving as a buffer zone.
- g. **Solid Waste** - All discarded household, commercial waste, non-hazardous institutional and industrial waste, street sweepings, construction debris, agriculture waste, and other non-hazardous solid waste.

ARTICLE II: INSTITUTIONALIZATION AND PHYSICAL COMPONENTS

SECTION 4. INSTITUTIONALIZATION AND LOCATION.

- a. **Institutionalization** - Pursuant to the statutory mandates of local autonomy and environmental stewardship, there is hereby institutionalization of the Guiuan Integrated and Solid Waste Management facility to be officially designated and known as the Guiuan Eco-Waste Center & Park.
- b. **Location and Area** - The said facility shall be permanently sited and situated at Barangay Sto. Niño, Guiuan Eastern Samar encompassing a land area of 5 hectares, subject to the exact metes and bounds defined in the official cadastral survey and the municipal zoning ordinance.
- c. **Regulatory Compliance and ECC Siting** - The physical establishment, structural development, and continuous operation of the site shall strictly conform to the siting criteria, operational guidelines, and conditionalities explicitly stipulated in the Environmental Compliance Certificate bearing ECC – R08-1406-0052, as duly issued by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources – Environment Management Bureau (DENR-EMB), as well as all other pertinent national and local environmental laws, rules, and regulations.

SECTION 5. COMPONENTS OF THE ECO-WASTE CENTER & PARK.

a. CENTRALIZED MATERIALS RECOVERY FACILITY (MRF)

1. Shall serve as the primary receiving area for segregated waste from barangays.
2. Shall include equipment for baling recyclables and shredding residuals.
3. Shall maintain a dedicated storage area for hazardous and special wastes.

b. PLASTIC RECYCLING FACILITY

1. Shall be equipped with specialized machinery such as plastic shredders, extruders, and molding equipment.
2. Shall process collected single-use plastics and hard plastics into value-added products like plastic chairs, eco-bricks, plastic lumber, or pavers.
3. Shall operate in partnership with accredited recycling industries or cooperatives to ensure the sustainability of the plastic value chain.

c. GREEN FACILITY

1. Shall serve as the primary site for the conversion of waste materials into reusable resources.
2. Shall integrate advanced sorting and processing technologies to maximize diversion from landfills.
3. Shall comply with the operational standards and environmental protocols.

d. COMPOSTING AND ORGANIC PROCESSING ZONE

1. Shall utilize windrow composting, vermiculture, or mechanical composting technologies.
2. Shall process biodegradable waste from markets and households into organic fertilizer.
3. Shall include a bagging area for the distribution or sale of produced compost.

e. RESIDUAL CONTAINMENT AREA AND OTHER APPLICABLE WASTE MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGIES

1. Shall be strictly limited to residual and non-recyclable waste.
2. Shall be engineered with proper liners to prevent ground contamination.
3. Shall utilize gas vents and daily soil cover to mitigate odors.

f. SEDIMENTATION TREATMENT TANK

1. Shall capture and settle suspended solids from facility runoff and wastewater.
2. Shall treat effluent to ensure water quality meets environmental standards before discharge.

3. Shall undergo regular desilting and maintenance to prevent overflow and ensure structural integrity.

g. GREEN BELT AREAS, ECO-PARK AND BUFFER ZONE

1. Shall consist of a perimeter fence lined with trees and vegetation.
2. Shall feature a landscaped garden using recycled materials.
3. Shall serve as an educational hub for students and visitors regarding waste management.

h. STORE ROOM AND GARAGE AND CAR WASH FOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT

1. Shall serve as the designated parking and maintenance area for dump trucks, payloaders, backhoes, and other heavy machinery utilized in waste management operations.
2. Shall include a motor pool equipped with necessary tools for routine mechanical repairs and preventive maintenance.
3. Shall maintain a secure storage for fuel, lubricants, and spare parts in compliance with fire and safety regulations.

i. GREENHOUSES

1. Shall utilize the organic compost and fertilizers produced within the facility to cultivate seedlings, ornamental plants, and vegetables.
2. Shall serve as a demonstration area for sustainable urban agriculture and eco-friendly farming practices.
3. Shall incorporate recycled materials, such as repurposed plastic containers or eco-bricks, for plant beds and structural elements.

j. WASTE TO ENERGY (WtE)

1. Shall utilize thermal or biological processes to convert non-recyclable waste into usable energy or heat.
2. Shall be equipped with emission control systems to ensure compliance with clean air standards.

k. SEPTIC VAULT FOR HAZARDOUS/SPECIAL WASTE

1. Shall provide a leak-proof, concrete-lined containment system for the temporary storage of toxic or hazardous materials.
2. Shall be designed to prevent groundwater contamination through specialized sealing and regular monitoring.

l. BIO GAS AND WATER MONITORING WELL

1. Shall monitor the presence and concentration of landfill gases to manage pressure and prevent accidental combustion.
2. Shall allow for regular sampling of groundwater to detect and mitigate any potential leachate migration.

m. GUARDHOUSE

1. Shall serve as the central security checkpoint for monitoring the entry and exit of personnel and waste haulers.

2. Shall maintain detailed logs of all incoming waste volumes and facility visitors.

n. ACCESS ROAD

1. Shall be constructed with durable materials to withstand the weight and frequency of heavy waste management vehicles.
2. Shall be designed to provide efficient, all-weather navigation throughout the different zones of the Eco-Waste Center.

o. WASTE WATER TREATMENT POND

1. Shall utilize natural or mechanical aeration to break down organic pollutants in liquid waste.
2. Shall serve as a stabilization area to ensure treated water is safe for irrigation or environmental release.

p. TREE NURSERY

1. Shall be dedicated to the propagation of native tree species for reforestation and greening projects.
2. Shall utilize onsite-produced organic compost to enhance seedling growth and soil health.

q. SHOWROOM

1. Shall display products manufactured from recycled materials, such as eco-bricks, pavers, and upcycled furniture.
2. Shall serve as the information center to promote the circular economy and local waste-to-resource initiatives.

ARTICLE III: REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

SECTION 6. INTEGRATION AND AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE (ECC). Any and all structures, facilities, or improvements constructed or erected within the premises of the Eco-Waste Center & Park that are not explicitly identified in the existing Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) shall be formally integrated therein. The Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) is hereby mandated to initiate and process the necessary applications for amendment or expansion of the ECC with the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to ensure full regulatory compliance.

SECTION 7. MANDATORY UPDATING OF THE 10-YEAR ECOLOGICAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN. Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) is hereby mandated to spearhead the comprehensive review and updating of the 10-Year Ecological Solid Waste Management Plan of the Municipality of Guian. This update shall ensure that the plan remains responsive to the current waste generation trends, environmental conditions, and technological advancements within the municipality.

ARTICLE IV: TRANSITIONS, MANAGEMENT, AND OPERATIONS

SECTION 8. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS. The management, operation, and maintenance of the Guiuan Eco-Waste Center & Park currently under the interim administration of the General Services Office (GSO), shall be completely transferred to the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) upon its full operationalization through the appointment of a regular officer, the hiring of core staff, and the allocation of a distinct budget; provided, that this transition shall mandate a formal turnover of a detailed inventory of all physical structures, heavy equipment, vehicles, tools, and personnel, including its budget for operation

SECTION 9. OPERATIONAL POWERS AND FUNCTIONS.

a. **MENRO AUTHORITY AND FUNCTIONS.** Upon the formal transfer of control, MENRO shall:

1. Have direct supervision and control over the operations of the Center.
2. Submit quarterly reports to the Municipal Mayor and the Sangguniang Bayan.
3. Perform such other functions as may be determined or assigned by the Municipal Mayor and as provided by law.

b. **PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS**

1. The Municipality shall create necessary plantilla positions or hire contract-of-service personnel, including Eco-Aides, Machine Operators, and Safety Officers.
2. All personnel shall be provided with Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and mandatory health vaccinations.
3. Regular training on hazardous waste handling shall be conducted.

SECTION 10. WASTE COLLECTION MANAGEMENT. The MENR Officer shall enforce the mandatory collection of segregated waste at designated collection points and within the Guiuan Eco-Waste Center & Park, with the authority to adjust, revise, or re-formulate the collection schedule as operational needs demand, subject to public notice and the approval of the Municipal Mayor.

TYPES OF WASTE
BIODEGRADABLE: <i>-Kitchen waste, garden waste, agricultural waste.</i>
RESIDUAL:

<i>-Sanitary waste, soiled plastics, non-recyclable items.</i>
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RECYCLABLE:

<i>-Paper, plastics, metals, glass.</i>

SECTION 11. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS (IRR) - The MENRO in consultation with other relevant departments, shall issue the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Ordinance.

ARTICLE V: TRANSITION TO LOCAL ECONOMIC ENTERPRISE STATUS

SECTION 12. ANTICIPATION OF LOCAL ECONOMIC ENTERPRISE (LEE) STATUS. Anticipating long-term operational sustainability and fiscal self-sufficiency, the Facility, upon the determination of the Local Finance Committee and subject to the approval of the Sangguniang Bayan, be upgraded to and operated as a Local Economic Enterprise (LEE).

ARTICLE VI: FUNDING ALLOCATION AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

SECTION 13. FUNDING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT.

- a. The Municipality shall allocate funds for the operations, and maintenance of the Eco-Waste Center & Park under the Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) of the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO).
- b. A financing plan prepared by the MENRO, whether through municipal funds, grants, or public-private partnerships, shall be pursued in compliance with applicable laws.

ARTICLE VII: PROHIBITIONS, ENFORCEMENT, AND PENALTIES

SECTION 14. PROHIBITED ACTS.

- a. **Facility Workers and Personnel.** It shall be unlawful for any officer, employee, or worker assigned to the operation and management of the facility to willfully or negligently fail to comply with the prescribed operational standards, guidelines, and procedures, or any other acts that result an adverse impact on the facility's operations as may be further defined in the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of this Ordinance.
- b. **Unauthorized Persons.** It shall be unlawful for any individual to commit illegal dumping, open burning, unauthorized scavenging, or the illicit disposal of hazardous waste or to commit vandalism and the destruction

of any physical structure or component of the Guiuan Eco-Waste Center & Park.

SECTION 15. PENAL PROVISIONS. Any person, natural or juridical, found violating any provision of this Ordinance shall be penalized with a fine of not more than Two Thousand Pesos (P2,500.00), or imprisonment for a period not exceeding Six (6) months, or both such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.

ARTICLE VIII: MISCELLANEOUS AND FINAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 16. SUPPLETORY CLAUSE. For all matters not specifically provided for in this Ordinance, the provisions of the LGC of 1991, and other applicable national laws, rules and regulations shall have suppletory application.

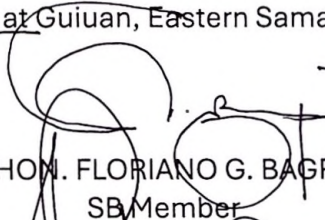
SECTION 17. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 18. REPEALING CLAUSE. All Ordinances contrary to or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed and modified accordingly.

SECTION 19. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of local circulation or posting in at least three (3) conspicuous places within the Municipality.

ENACTED AND APPROVED: June 24, 2026, at Guiuan, Eastern Samar.

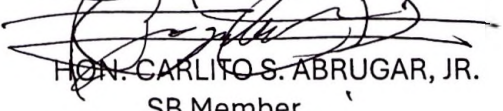

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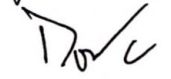

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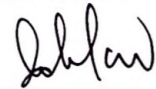

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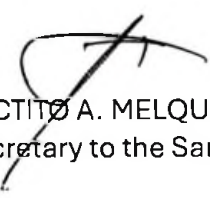
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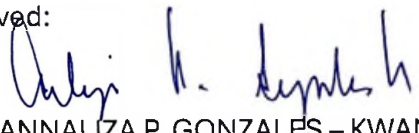
I certify to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance which was duly enacted by the Sanggunian during its 52nd regular session held on June 24, 2026:


RECTITO A. MELQUIADES
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

Attested by:


HON. VERONICA C. RAMIREZ
Municipal Vice-Mayor & Presiding Officer

Approved:


HON. ANNALIZA P. GONZALES – KWAN
Municipal Mayor