

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL-CARAGA



RNC CARAGA Resolution No. 2, Series of 2012

RESOLUTION TO ENJOIN REGIONAL LINE AGENCIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO ESTABLISH A BREASTFEEDING ROOM/CORNER IN THE WORKPLACE IN SUPPORT OF THE BREASTFEEDING CAMPAIGN

WHEREAS, the United Nation's Children 's Fund and the World Health Organization developed the Global Strategy on Infant and Young Child Feeding, to help countries achieve Millennium Development Goal # 4 to reduce child mortality by two thirds by 2015;

WHEREAS, the global public health recommendation is for the protection, promotion and support of breastfeeding among the most effective intervention to improve child's survival;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health has developed and signed a national policy on Infant and Young Child Feeding that in line with the Global Strategy recommends the following infant and young child feeding practices:

- Breastfeeding initiated within one hour after birth as part of Essential Newborn Care Protocol
- Exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months of life
- Continue breastfeeding up to two years and beyond with the introduction of appropriate complementary food

WHEREAS, almost 20% of Filipino children under five years old are malnourished

WHEREAS, breastfeeding has distinct advantages which benefit both the infant and the mother

WHEREAS, Republic Act 7600 (The Rooming In and Breastfeeding Act of 1992) and Executive Order 51 of 1986 (The Milk Code) were passed to advocate the promotion and sustainability of the campaign for breastfeeding;

WHEREAS, there is a need for all government offices to establish a Breastfeeding Room/ Corner to allow their breastfeeding employees to bring their babies at the workplace to ensure safe and adequate nutrition for their infants;

WHEREAS, the Breastfeeding Room/ Corner will promote and strengthen optimal maternal and child health nutrition to all mothers in the effort to decrease the malnutrition problems;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED IN CONSIDERATION OF THE ABOVE PREMISE for all government offices and local government offices to establish a breastfeeding room/corner in the workplace to support the breastfeeding campaign.

RESOLVED FINALLY, to request the NNC to monitor the compliance of the breastfeeding campaign.

APPROVED, this 18th day of December 2012 at 4th Floor Leaders Hall, DOH-CHD Building, Butuan City.

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