

Republic of the Philippines **REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL** Western Visayas (Region VI) NEDA Region VI Building, Fort San Pedro, Iloilo City

## RDC-VI Resolution No. VI-11 Series 2011

## RESOLUTION ENJOINING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO FULLY SUPPORT REPUBLIC ACT (RA) 10028 - AN ACT EXPANDING THE PROMOTION OF BREASTFEEDING

WHEREAS, there are existing laws which promote breastfeeding as the best mode of nutrition for newborns and infants until six months of age;

**WHEREAS,** the practice of breastfeeding could save the country's valuable foreign exchange if less importation of infant milk is achieved;

WHEREAS, acknowledging the importance of breastfeeding, the 14<sup>th</sup> Congress passed RA 10028 - An Act Expanding the Promotion of Breastfeeding;

WHEREAS, it is important to get the help of the local government units in the dissemination and advocacy for breastfeeding among pregnant women;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of Mr. Wilfredo Homicillada of PROCESS Foundation Panay, Inc., and duly seconded en banc, **BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is **HEREBY RESOLVED**, to enjoin the local government units to fully support Republic Act (RA) 10028 and help disseminate its importance through their health workers and nutrition volunteers;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that LGUs will help monitor compliance even among hospitals, health centers, and birthing clinics in their areas of jurisdiction;

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that the DOH Regional Office, with inputs from the Provincial and City Health Officers, will submit a report on compliance with RA 10028 for submission to the RDC-VI Social Development Committee;

**UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED** during the Inaugural Meeting of the Regional Development Council, Region VI held on 4 February 2011 at the Sarabia Manor Hotel and Convention Center, Iloilo City.

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