



**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 012, series of 2017**

**SUSPENDING CLASSES IN THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY LEVELS, BOTH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC, ON WEDNESDAY, 01 FEBRUARY 2017 AND THE TERTIARY LEVEL ON 25 FEBRUARY 2017 TO PAVE THE WAY FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE GRAND OPENING PARADE AND THE GRAND STREET PARADE, RESPECTIVELY, FOR THE 22<sup>ND</sup> EDITION OF "PANAGBENGA" OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE BAGUIO FLOWER FESTIVAL**

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of Republic Act (RA) 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, thus, 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 of its constituents;

**WHEREAS**, within their respective jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to balance ecology, encourage and support the development of appropriate and self-reliance, scientific and technological capabilities, improve public morals and enhance economic prosperity and social justice, promote full employment among their residents, maintain peace and order and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

**WHEREAS**, the 22<sup>nd</sup> edition of "Panagbenga" otherwise known as the Baguio Flower Festival with the theme "Inspired by Beauty, Nurtured by Nature" will be held from 01 February to 05 March 2017 where numerous traditional and community-led and government-supported activities will be conducted to boost the city's robust tourism industry;

**WHEREAS**, the grand opening parade, which will be the elimination round for the participants in the elementary and secondary levels in the city, will be held on Wednesday 01 February 2017 to jumpstart the bigger and better activities lined up for the month-long event;

**WHEREAS**, the grand street parade, which will feature the finalists in the elementary, secondary and open categories, will be held on Saturday, 25 February 2017 and will be participated by elementary, secondary, collegiate and other participants who will showcase their sterling and spectacular performances;

**WHEREAS**, Upon consultation with the officials of the Department of Education Division of City Schools and the administrators of colleges and universities in the city, it is but proper to suspend the classes in the elementary, secondary and tertiary levels during the grand opening parade and the grand streetdancing parade in order to ensure maximum participation of the public to the scheduled events for the month-long festivities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAURICIO G. DOMOGAN**, City Mayor, Baguio City, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the following;

**SECTION 1.** Classes in the elementary and high school levels, both private and public, on Wednesday, 01 February 2017 and in the tertiary level on Saturday, 25 February 2017 are hereby suspended to pave the way for the conduct of the grand opening parade and grand streetdancing parade, respectively, two of the major highlights of the 22<sup>nd</sup> edition of Panagbenga otherwise known as the Baguio Flower Festival.

**SECTION 2.** The City Public Information Office under the City Mayor's Office The Department of Education Division of City Schools, the Commission on Higher Education –



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Cordillera Administrative Region (CHED-CAR) and the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority – Cordillera Administrative Region (TESDA-CAR) are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this order to all concerned elementary, high school and tertiary education institutions in the city.

**SECTION 3.** All executive issuances and orders inconsistent herewith are hereby deemed modified or amended accordingly.

**SECTION 4.** This order shall take effect on the aforesaid dates.

Issued this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January 2017 at Baguio City, Philippines.

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MAURICIO G. DOMOGAN  
City Mayor