

**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
BATANGAS CITY**

**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD**

**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION HELD BY THE  
MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF BATANGAS CITY  
ON JUNE 22, 2015 AT THE SANGGUNIANG SESSION HALL**

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Emilio Francisco A. Berberabe Jr.,	Presiding Officer
Hon. Glenn M. Aldover,	Councilor
Hon. Claudette U. Ambida-Alday,	“
Hon. Hamilton G. Blanco,	“
Hon. Aileen Grace A. Montalbo,	“
Hon. Sergie Rex M. Atienza,	“
Hon. Armando C. Lazarte,	“
Hon. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz-Atienza,	“
Hon. Gerardo A. dela Roca,	“
Hon. Ma. Kristine Josefina G. Balmes,	“
Hon. Angelito “Dondon” A. Dimacuha,	(ABC-Rep.)
Hon. Julian B. Villena,	Councilor

“On motion of Councilor Alday seconded by Councilor Atienza, the following Resolution was Adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 197 S. 2015**

**A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE ADOPTION OF EMPOWERMENT AND  
REAFFIRMATION OF PATERNAL ABILITIES TRAINING (ERPAT) IN  
THE CITY OF BATANGAS**

**WHEREAS**, under Section 458 (a) of the Local Government Code of 1991 the Sangguniang Panlungsod as the legislative body of the city, shall enact ordinances, approve resolutions and appropriate funds for the general welfare of the city and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of the said code including Barangay Officials of the City;

**WHEREAS**, the program of organizing women groups known as KALUPI in Batangas City is a successful program implemented by the City not to mention all the activities launched thru the initiative of CSWDO under the City Mayor’s Office;

**WHEREAS**, the community especially in Batangas City believes that the role of fathers in nurturing of children just as important as that of mothers;

**WHEREAS**, in our new generation and global economic slowdown, many mothers are constrained to work outside the home; hence, the support of fathers in the rearing of children has become even more significant;

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) recognizes the significant role of fathers in child care and contribution to familial tasks. Fathers should be viewed not only as providers but also as active partners in child rearing. If their nurturing capabilities are harnessed and strengthened, we are certain that they will contribute favorably in promoting and supporting the physical, emotional, social and intellectual development of their children;

**WHEREAS**, DSWD’s Social Technology Bureau in 2014 developed the Empowerment and Reaffirmation of Paternal Abilities (ERPAT) program which aims to discuss with fathers their changing role as head of the family, improve men’s parenting skills through seminars that tackles the role and attitude of father, raising and understanding the needs of children and knowing the differences between men and women, among others;

## Continuation of Resolution No. 197 S. 2015

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**WHEREAS**, under the recommended program, the ERPAT-trained fathers will also be assigned to every barangay as spiritual leaders helping barangay officials in carrying out programs and activities for the community;

**WHEREAS**, ERPAT training program provides learning opportunities for fathers to become advocates and partners of local government units in their projects and programs;

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of this program will create a big impact, this program promotes the equality of men and women as well as their roles not only in their own family but also to the community for this program.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved, as it hereby resolves to request the Local Government Unit of Batangas thru Honorable City Mayor Eduardo B. Dimacuja and City Social Welfare and Development Office thru Mrs. Mila Española to review the adoption of Empowerment and Reaffirmation of Paternal Abilities Training (ERPAT) in the City of Batangas.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Office of the Honorable City Mayor Eduardo B. Dimacuja, City Social Welfare and Development Office, Different Barangays of the City of Batangas and other concerned agencies.


**UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED."**

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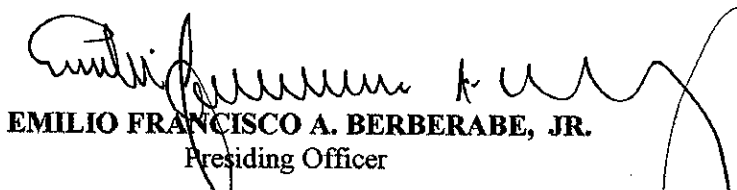
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 197 S. 2015 was approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City during its Regular Session held on June 22, 2015.

  
**ATTY. OLIVA D. TELEGATOS**  
 Secretary  
 Sangguniang Panlungsod

**ATTESTED:**

  
**EMILIO FRANCISCO A. BERBERABE, JR.**  
 Presiding Officer

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