AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PREVENTION, CONTROL, REDUCTION AND MITIGATION OF THE MOSQUITO VECTOR OF DENGUE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MONKAYO, PENALIZING VIOLATORS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

PREFATORY STATEMENT

Dengue is an acute infectious disease caused by a flavivirus (species dengue virus of the genus Flavivirus), transmitted by Aedes Mosquitoes and characterized by headache, severe joint pain, and a rash - also called breakbone fever, dengue fever. Based on record of the Municipal Health Office (MHO), dengue cases continue to increase in the municipality causing alarming public health problem. Dengue remains a cause of mortality and morbidity in the country and Monkayo is not spared from experiencing such an epidemic. Considering that dengue is a vector-borne disease transmitted by an infected mosquito, produced in any artificial containers that hold clear stagnant water, dengue will spread easily. At present, the only method of controlling or preventing dengue virus transmission is to combat the vector mosquitoes and vector control can be effectively and efficiently implemented using environmental management and chemical methods as well as proper solid waste management and disposal, improved water storage practices, including covering containers to prevent access by egg-laying female mosquitoes.

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Sangguniang Bayan Member Jocelyn Cabag-Burgos, duly jointly seconded by ALL SB Members present, it was RESOLVED, to enact, as it is hereby enacted, an Ordinance PROVIDING FOR THE PREVENTION, CONTROL, REDUCTION AND MITIGATION OF THE MOSQUITO VECTOR OF DENGUE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MONKAYO, PENALIZING VIOLATORS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as the “ANTI-DENGUE VECTOR ORDINANCE OF MONKAYO, COMPOSTELA VALLEY”.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE. It is the purpose of this ordinance to safeguard public health and ensure the well-being of all its constituents by protecting them from Dengue.

SECTION 3. COVERAGE. This Ordinance shall apply to all persons, whether natural or juridical, whether resident or not, and in all places found within the territorial jurisdiction of the Local Government Unit of Monkayo, Compostela Valley.

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms are hereby defined:

2.1 Aedes aegypti - is a genus of mosquitoes originally found in tropical and subtropical zones, but now found on all continents except Antarctica.

2.2 Bodies of water - earth diggings with accumulated water, residential drainage canals

2.3 Dengue - an acute infectious disease caused by a flavivirus (species Dengue virus of the genus Flavivirus), transmitted by aedes mosquitoes, and characterized by headache, severe joint pain, and a rash – also called breakbone fever, dengue fever.
2.4 Establishments - hotels, motels, dormitories, commercial buildings, lodging and boarding houses, apartments, hospitals, libraries, museums, offices, malls, markets, supermarkets, movie houses, schools, colleges and universities and other similar institutions.

2.5 Focal Spray - the act of applying, releasing or dispensing a toxic chemical so that it reaches the target organism primarily or wholly in gaseous state.

2.6 Fumigation – the act of applying, releasing and dispensing a toxic chemical so that it reaches the target organism primarily or wholly in gaseous state.

2.7 Integrated Control – controlling pests through the use of several methods and procedures which are used to complement each other. These procedures may include the use of pesticides, environmental sanitation measures, natural as well as mechanical and biological control methods.

2.8 Place – land, building, residence, watercraft, or any means of conveyance.

2.9 Pesticides – any substance or product, or mixture intended to control, prevent, destroy, repel or mitigate, directly or indirectly, any pest.

2.10 Public Places – parks, plazas, picnic grounds, camps, roads, cemeteries and memorial parks, terminals, rest areas, and other open fields and enclosed areas of public assembly.

2.11 Premises – a house or building, together with its land and outbuildings, occupied by a business or house.

2.11.1 Perimeter- from Latin, meaning “around” (peri) and “measure” (metron), a perimeter is basically a boundary of any kind. In this ordinance it is the boundary of houses, buildings or any establishment.

2.12 Person-in-charge – those persons in charge of households or establishments.

2.13 Urban Pest Control - pest control activities in all habitable areas but not to include agricultural pest control activities.

2.14 Stagnant Water - motionless water, not flowing in a stream or current, also known as standing water.

2.15 Water Containers- any open receptacles such as, discarded tin cans, buckets/pails or “laton” (large plastic bucket/containers of margarine or lard/orocan, empty pots, empty bottles);

2.16 Water Containing Objects- any object that collects/accumulates water such as (plastic/metal bottle caps, pitcher plants, tires and the like).

SECTION 5. PROHIBITED ACTS. The following acts are declared prohibited by this Ordinance:

a. Stockpiling of water in open water containers for more than seven days within the premises and perimeter of houses and establishments.

b. Leaving empty open water containers or water containing objects within the perimeter of houses and establishments;
c. Leaving of uncleaned or unmaintained open containers or water containing objects filled with water in the premises of houses and establishments; and

d. Maintaining undrained bodies of water within the perimeter of houses and establishments.

SECTION 6. VECTOR BREEDING GROUNDS CONTROL—Buildings/structures under construction must not accumulate stagnant water and solid wastes. All owners, managers, administrators and/or care takers of households, schools, vacant lots, abandoned houses, tire trading/merchandiser business, and all other buildings/establishments within the municipality are mandated to get rid of vectors breeding ground, particularly stagnant water, to avoid mosquito larvae (kiti-kiti), otherwise they are presumed to have violated this ordinance.

SECTION 7. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PERSONS-IN-CHARGE. Person-in-charge or household owners shall:

a. Search and destroy breeding sites of mosquitoes.

b. Protect self.

c. Allow inspectors acting under Section 12 which may include members of the Task Force, entry into the premises and perimeter of houses and establishments during regular business hours for the purpose of inspecting its compliance with this ordinance.

SECTION 8. PREVENTION AND CONTROL.

5.1 All other interventions especially the use of chemicals other than for research purposes shall secure clearance from the Municipal Health Office (MHO)

5.2 Pest Control Operators shall be accredited by the MHO prior to the rendition of services within the jurisdiction of the municipality

5.3 All new technologies, approaches and processes that may be developed in the future which will help in the prevention and control of dengue shall be adopted for implementation upon recommendation of the MHO.

SECTION 9. CONDUCT OF SABAYANG 4-O’CLOCK HABIT PARA DENG-GET-OUT. There shall be conducted DAILY the SABAYANG 4-O’CLOCK HABIT para DENG-GET OUT: A Daily Clean-Up Drive for the Prevention and Eradication of Dengue and other epidemic.

The Local Chief Executive, through the Municipal Health Office (MHO), Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer (MENRO) AND THE Liga Ng Mga Barangay (LNMB), shall ensure the conduct of the following activities every 4:00 PM, to wit:

1. Support the Enhanced 4S Strategy of the National Dengue Prevention and Control Program of the DOH, namely: a) Search and Destroy; (b) Seek Early Consultation; (c) Seek protection measures; and (d) say YES to fogging only during outbreaks;

2. Mobilize all the resources of the LGU and render assistance when necessary in the conduct of daily community clean-up drivers/activities such as: (a) dredging of clogged canals, esteros and other waterways; (b) pruning thick bushes of tree branches; (c) draining of receptacles containing stagnant waters; (d) dismantling of all possible breeding places of mosquitoes; (e) communicating relevant information against dengue and awareness campaigns/measures to prevent it; and

3. Organize together with the Sangguniang Kabataan President a dialogue with the local school heads for the conduct of weekly dengue prevention
and clean-up activity inside the school premises in partnership with student councils and school organizations.

**SECTION 10. COMMUNICATION EDUCATION AND PUBLIC AWARENESS (CEPA).** The Municipal Health Office (MHO) shall, in cooperative with the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) and the Liga ng mga Barangay (LNMB) shall conduct a massive Community Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) Campaign, which include but not limited to, health education including the organization/coordination and lectures, Ovi-Larvitrapping, manner of destroying breeding sites, and participation in the “One Day Clean-Up Day” activities – as well as disseminate all information relative to the implementation of this Ordinance;

**SECTION 11. RULES AND REGULATIONS.** The Municipal Health Office (MHO) shall, in coordination with the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) and the Liga ng mga Barangay (LNMB) shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary to prevent, control and abate the mosquito vector of dengue, subject to the approval of the Mayor. Such Rules and regulations shall take effect upon publication.

**SECTION 12. PENALTIES.** All owners, managers, administrators who fail or refuse to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be punished in accordance with the following:

1st offense – Warning to be issued by the MHO
2nd Offense – A fine of P1,000.00
3rd Offense – A fine of P2,500.00.

**SECTION 13. CITATION TICKET SYSTEM.** Violators of this ordinance shall be informed of their violation and the penalty associated with it by means of a Citation Ticket with the following guidelines:

a. The Municipal Treasurer shall formulate and facilitate the printing and reprinting of Citation Tickets.

b. Official booklets of Citation Tickets shall be issued by the Municipal Treasurer to the Barangay Treasurer of the respective barangays and the former shall issue the same to duly authorized enforcers within ninety (90) calendar days of the effectivity of this ordinance.

c. A Citation Ticket shall be issued to the person/s liable for any violation of this ordinance upon finding of the violation by duly authorized enforcers.

d. A Citation Ticket shall contain the following information:

i. Checklist of the violations under this ordinance
ii. The penalty associated with each violation; and
iii. Due date for compliance with the obligations imposed by the ticket.

e. When Citation Ticket is issued to a violator, the violator shall report to the Barangay Treasurer’s Office within five (5) regular business days after such issuance, where he/she shall render community service and/or pay the corresponding violation committed.

f. The Barangay Treasurer’s Office shall keep a duplicate of all Citation Tickets issued to violators as well as all other records of violations of this Ordinance.
**SECTION 14. ENFORCEMENT. CREATION OF THE ANTI-DENGUE TASK FORCE.** The Municipal Anti-Dengue Task Force shall be created to aid in the implementation, enforcement and monitoring of this ordinance, protect the people, as well as to conduct information and education campaigns and capability building programs, that will inform the constituents and train enforcers of this Ordinance.

The task force shall be chaired by the Punong Barangay and shall have the following as members:

- a. Council Chairperson on Committee on Health as Vice Chair
- b. Barangay Council Members
- c. Barangay Health Workers
- d. Barangay Nutrition Scholars
- e. Day Care Workers
- f. Barangay Treasurer
- g. Purok Officers
- h. School Principals

**SECTION 15. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TASK FORCE.**– Other than (1) receiving, reviewing and processing reports and complaints, serving of citations and notices (2) attending regular Task Force meetings, and (3) deputizing enforcers and enforcing the other provisions of this Ordinance, the Task Force, headed by the Barangay Council Chairperson shall have the following respective duties and responsibilities:

- a. Barangay Council Chairman:
  1. Conduct Massive Information campaign on the prevention and control of dengue.
  2. Conduct information campaign relative to Ovicidal / Larvicidal Trap System (OL-Trap) as a strategy to control and detect impending dengue outbreaks.
  3. Intensify the conduct of monthly Clean-Up Drive in the barangay.
  4. Render report base on their performance on dengue control and prevention to the Office of the Mayor on quarterly basis.

- b. Council chairperson on Committee on Health:
  1. Assist the Barangay Council Chairman in overseeing the implementation on the duties and responsibilities of the Task Force.

- c. Barangay Council Members:
  1. Make Aksyon Barangay Kontra Dengue, including the implementation of this Ordinance, a part of the barangay health program and appropriate funding under the general budget of the barangay government unit.

- d. Barangay Health Workers:
  1. Conduct inspection activities as provided in this Ordinance.
  2. Assist in promoting awareness of this Ordinance.

- e. Barangay Nutrition Scholars:
  1. Conduct inspection activities as provided in this Ordinance.
  2. Assist in promoting awareness of this Ordinance.

- f. Day Care Workers:
  1. Conduct inspection activities as provided in this Ordinance in the houses and establishments of day care pupils.
  2. Conduct information and education on dengue control and prevention among day care pupils and their parents or guardians
  3. Assist in promoting awareness of this Ordinance.
g. Barangay Treasurer:
1. Request and receive from the Municipal Treasurer the Citation Ticket.
2. Issue booklets of Citation Tickets to the enforcers on this Ordinance.
3. Collect / receive fines by violators and submit report on its collection.
4. Facilitate the release and allocation of funds and the renumeration of enforces share in accordance with the provision for sharing of proceeds derived from the collection of fines, penalties, generated resources and appropriated budget.

h. Purok Officers:
1. Assist in promoting awareness of this Ordinance in encouraging Purok members support and participation on its implementation and enforcement.
2. Monitor Purok members in the compliance of this Ordinance.
3. Conduct inspection activities as provided in this Ordinance.

i. School Principals:
1. Ensure the conduct of information and education on dengue prevention and control to all school children and their parents / guardians;
2. Ensure strict compliance of this Ordinance in the school premises and perimeter.
3. Assist in promoting awareness of this Ordinance.

SECTION 16. ENFORCEMENT ON HOUSES AND ESTABLISHMENTS. – Ninety (90) calendar days after the effectivity of this Ordinance, inspection team/s composed of the members of the Aksyon Barangay Kontra Dengue Task Force shall conduct inspection of all houses and establishments to determine their compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance. Regular inspection shall thereafter be conducted at least twice a year. The inspection team shall provide the persons-in-charge of the houses and establishments the primer of this Ordinance. The inspection team shall issue a Citation Ticket against the violators upon finding of non-compliance with or any violation of this Ordinance.

Re-inspection of houses and establishments shall be done on any day after the issuance of Citation Ticket, but in no case more than ten calendar days after such issuance. If the person-in-charge of houses and establishments fails to comply with the duties and obligations stated in this Ordinance upon re-inspection, the inspection team shall issue another Citation Ticket and request the assistance of the Barangay Council members for the enforcement of this Ordinance.

SECTION 17. CIVILIAN PARTICIPATION IN ENFORCEMENT. – Within thirty (30) calendar days from the effectivity of this Ordinance the Barangay Council Chairman shall deputized the barangay health workers, barangay nutrition scholars, day care workers, and purok officers as enforcers of this Ordinance.

SECTION 18. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION. – Within sixty (60) calendar days from the effectively of this Ordinance, the Municipal Mayor through the Public Information Officer shall:

a. Provide at least one copy of this Ordinance to every Barangay Government Unit, Municipal Treasurer and Municipal Health Officer.

b. Provide primer of this Ordinance for every Barangay Government Unit, Municipal Treasurer and Municipal Health Officer.

SECTION 19. PUBLIC BILLBOARDS, NOTICES IN BARANGAYS. – Upon effectivity of this Ordinance, the Task Force shall put up information campaign materials in conspicuous places within the Barangay Government
Unit to notify the public of the restrictions and sanctions imposed by the Ordinance.

**SECTION 20. CONDUCT OF ORIENTATION, SEMINARS AND TRAININGS.** Within Sixty (60) calendar days from the effectivity of this Ordinance and periodically thereafter, the Health Officer with the assistance of the Health Education and Promotion Officer and the Sanitation Inspector shall develop and conduct a series of orientation, seminars and trainings for the enforcers of this Ordinance, at least one for each Task Force.

**SECTION 21. SURVEILLANCE.** The Municipal Epidemiology and Surveillance Office shall monitor Dengue cases and provide data to the Barangay Government Units, Municipal Mayor, Sangguniang Bayan, Provincial Health Office and DOH Regional Office.

**SECTION 22. FOCAL SPRAY.** Focal spray shall only be used to control dengue during epidemic or outbreak.

**SECTION 23. FUNDING**

a. An initial funding to defray the expenses necessary for or incidental to the implementation of this Ordinance in the amount of One Hundred Fifty (P150,000.00) Pesos shall be sourced from the fund of the Municipal Government to carry out its duties and functions.

b. An initial funding to defray the expenses necessary for or incidental to the implementation of this Ordinance in the amount of Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) Pesos shall be sourced from the fund of the Barangay Government to carry out the duties and functions of the Task Force.

d. Every year thereafter, at least One Hundred Thousand (P100,000.00) Pesos shall automatically be included in the Annual Budget of the municipality and at least Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) Pesos for the barangay for the implementation and enforcement of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 24. SHARING OF PROCEEDS FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES.** The amount of the corresponding penalty paid by a violator to the Barangay Treasurer shall be apportioned where the equivalent of thirty percent (30%) shall accrue to the enforcer as incentive. The remainder of the proceeds from penalties collected as payment by violators, after deducting the amounts that shall accrue to the enforcers shall form part of the general fund of the Barangay Government Unit.

**SECTION 25. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any provision or part of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other parts or provisions thereof shall remain valid and effective regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 26. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.