# Republic of th.e Philippines Province of Davao del Norte Municipality of Braulio E. Dujali -00o-

### **BEFORE THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN**

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 28<sup>th</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, DAVAO DEL NORTE HELD AT THE SB SESSION HALL ON JULY 28, 2011, THRUSDAY.

### PRESENT:

HON. SAMUEL F. PACRES
HON. DONNA MAE L. BALDONADO
HON. RESTIE E. TABIRAO
HON. DANIEL G. HILARIO
HON. ROMULO S. ESMINO JR.
HON. ALLAN S. PARAGUYA
HON. JOELITO B. JURIANA
HON. JULIAN J. DUJALI JR.
HON. RAMON D. MAGTULIS III
HON. EDUARDO M. ZAPATA
HON. MARCELINO O. FACULA

Municipal Vice Mayor/PO
Sangguniang Bayan Member
SKF Pres./ Ex-Officio Member

**ABSENT: NONE** 

## **PREFACE**

Schistosomiasis is a debilitating chronic disease affecting the poor marginalized sector comprising the agricultural farmers and freshwater fishermen and their families, indigenous people living atop swampy areas and lakes, residents of mountainous terrains not having sanitation facilities and potable sources of safe water, agriculture and irrigation workers and women doing domestic work involving contact with cercarial schistosome infested fresh water. Also at high risk of getting schistosomiasis infection are wandering nomads such as indigenous peoples and those of similar culture, combat soldiers and the people living in the adjacent barangays/municipalities to endemic localities. Only 2.5 million are estimated to be at high risk to schistosomiasis infection in 190 municipalities and 20 cities within the 28 provinces in the 12 regions of the country.

To achieve the elimination goals set forth in the National Objectives for Health, the National Schistosomiasis Elimination Program has its main intervention-Morbidity Control through Mass Chemotherapy-to reduce disease transmission progressively, in as much as schistosomiasis infection is usually asymptomatic which is not detectable in light infections by stool (kato-katz) microscopy. Complications due to schistosomiasis are hepato splenomegally, fibrosis, cirrhosis, some documented colorectal cancer, squamous cell carcinoma, increasing number of central nervous system involvement causing the spinal and cerebral cases. Management of complications is very costly and not affordable by the poor marginalized sector.

The schistomicide drug Praziquantel in 600 mg scored tablet, administered at 40 mg/kg is safe and effective, some few observable mild reactions that are often transient which respond to symptomatic treatment(Belizario, V.Y. et al. Acta Tropica, 2006)

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To contain and reduce schistosomiasis morbidities that results to irreversible sequelae, it is essential that the population directly exposed to getting the infection should receive schistomicide treatment at least once a year to prevent the complications consequent of the chronic stage of the disease.

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AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE MONTH OF JULY EVERY YEAR AS THE MASS TREATMENT AND AWARENESS MONTH FOR SCHISTOSOMIASIS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BRAULIO E. DUJALI, DAVAO DEL NORTE.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Bayan in session assembled that;

**SECTION 1. TITLE**. This ordinance shall be known as an Ordinance declaring the month of July of every year as the mass treatment and awareness month for Schistosomiasis in the Municipality of Braulio E. Dujali, Davao del Norte

**SECTION 2. COVERAGE**. Age and group covered for Schistosomiasis Mass Treatment is 5 to 65 years old, those residing in known Schistosomiasis in the Municipality of Braulio E. Dujali.

**SECTION 3. GENERAL PROVISION**. Mass treatment shall be done for the entire month simultaneously in covering school children and the population, age 5-65, completing no less than 85% of the actual population of the area covered. In the event that the population coverage has not been completed due to force majeure (floods, typhoids) or other reasons such as peace and order problem, this activity maybe extended or rescheduled in order to complete of the exposed population.

The Municipal Health Office shall take the lead in all these month long activity. Action Planning shall be made in advance by and between the DOH/CDH and LGU and DepEd and other stakeholders to ensure social preparation of the areas, the availability of resources in terms on manpower, supplies and materials. Praziquantel and anti-reaction/supportive drugs, advocacy materials, technical supervision and monitors for the month-long activity.

It is recommended that the baseline data by parasitological methods be obtained through representative samples before the activity for Mass Treatment shall be undertaken and carried out for three consecutive years so that it will have a basis for comparative evaluation later on.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVITY AND REPEALING CLAUSE**. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval.

Certified to be adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan during the conduct of its 28<sup>th</sup> regular session on July 28, 2011.

JULIET E. DAANTON Secretary to the Sanggunian

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Attested to be duly passed and adopted:
SAMUEL F. PACRES  Municipal Vice Mayor
Approved:
LOLITA A. MORAL Municipal Mayor