ORDINANCE NO. 2005-012

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE DISPLAY OF THE PHILIPPINE FLAG IN FRONT OF COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, OFFICE, INSTITUTIONAL BUILDINGS AND BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE UTILITY VEHICLES IN THE CITY OF NAGA FROM MAY 28 TO JUNE 12 EVERY YEAR:-

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Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga that:

SECTION 1. It is hereby declared a policy of the City of Naga to foster and develop nationalism or love of country in each in every resident of the City of Naga, as a way of contributing to national Solidarity.

SECTION 2. Pursuant to the above mentioned policy, every owner, administrator or occupant-tenant of any, commercial, industrial, office and institutional building and both public and private vehicle, is hereby required to display the Philippine flag from May 28 to June 12, every year.

SECTION 3. For public and private utility vehicles operating in the city of Naga, the flag should be placed at the right fender.

SECTION 4. All occupants and tenants of all residential houses are likewise hereby enjoined to follow this ordinance.

SECTION 5. The Flag shall be displayed in accordance with Republic Act 8491, Hereto reproduced as follows:

“SECTION 10. The flag, if flown from a flagpole, shall have its blue field on top in time of peace and the red field on top in time of war; if in a hanging position, the blue field shall be to the right (left of the observer) in time of peace, and the red field to the right (left of the observer) in time of war.

The flagpole staff must be straight and slightly tapering at the top.

SECTION 11. If planted on the ground, the flagpole shall be at a prominent place and shall be of such height as would give the flag commanding position in relation to the buildings in the vicinity.

If attached to a building, the flagpole shall be on top of its roof or anchored on a sill projecting at an angle upward.

If on a stage or platform or government office, the flag shall be at the left (facing the stage) or the left of the office upon entering.
SECTION 12. When the Philippine flag is flown with another flag, the flags, if both are national flags, must be flown on separate staffs of the same height and shall be of equal size. The Philippine flag shall be hoisted first and lowered last.

If the other flag is not a national flag, it may be flown in the same lineyard as the Philippine flag but below the latter and it cannot be of greater size than the Philippine flag.

SECTION 13. When displayed with another flag, the Philippine flag shall be on the right of the other flag. If there is a line of other flags, the Philippine flag shall be in the middle of the line.

When carried in a parade with flags which are not national flags, the Philippine flag shall be in front of the center of the line.

SECTION 14. A flag worn out through wear and tear, shall not be thrown away. It shall be solemnly burned to avoid misuse or desecration. The flag shall be replaced immediately when it begins to show signs of wear and tear.

SECTION 15. The flag shall be raised at sunrise and lowered at sunset. It shall be on the mast at the start of official office hours, shall remain flying throughout the day.

SECTION 16. The flag may be displayed:

a) Inside or outside a building or on stationary flagpoles. If the flag is displayed indoors on a flagpole, it shall be placed at the left of the observer as one enters the room;

b) From the top of a flagpole, which shall be at a prominent place or a commanding position in relation to the surrounding buildings;

c) From a staff projecting upward from the window sill, canopy, balcony or facade of a building;

d) In a suspended position from a rope extending from a building to pole erected away from the building;

e) Flat against the wall vertically with the sun and stars on top; and

f) Hanging in a vertical position across a street, with the blue field pointing east, if the road is heading south or north, or pointing north if the road is heading east or west. The flag shall not be raised when the weather is inclement. If already raised, the flag shall not be lowered.

SECTION 17. The flag shall be hoisted to the top briskly and lowered ceremoniously.

The flag shall never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, flood, water or other objects.

After being lowered, the flag shall be handled and folded solemnly as part of the ceremony.”
SECTION 6. PROPORTION - “SECTION 27 of RA 8491, provides that, “The flag shall have the following proportions. The width of the flag, 1; the length of the flag, 2; and the sides of the white triangle, 1.”

SECTION 7. ROLE OF THE PNP - The Naga City Philippine National Police shall be responsible for the strict enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance. It may call upon any government department, agency, office, or government instrumentality, including government corporations, for such assistance as it may deem necessary for the effective discharge of its functions under this Ordinance.

SECTION 8. PENALTIES. Any person or juridical entity which violates any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of

- P2,000.00 for the first offense;
- P3,000.00 for the second offense;
- P5,000.00 for the third offense and
- P5,000.00 and imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, at the discretion of the court for the forth and succeeding offenses:

Provided, That in case the violation is committed by a juridical person, its President or Chief Executive Officer thereof shall be liable.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY – this ordinance shall take effect upon approval and publication of the same in a newspaper of local Circulation.

ENACTED: February 21, 2005

WE HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

(Sgd.) FIEL L. ROSALES
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

(Sgd.) GABRIEL H. BORDADO, JR.
City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

(Sgd.) JESSE M. ROBREDO
City Mayor