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COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE ON FAMILY WELFARE

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**THE HONORABLE PRESIDING OFFICER &
 MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN**

RE: City Ordinance No. 2022-031 of the City of Laoag entitled "AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR THE CITY OF LAOAG AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

FINDINGS AND OBSERVATIONS:

1. City Ordinance No. 2022-031 enacts the Gender and Development Code of the City of Laoag and for other purposes;
2. The ordinance was enacted pursuant to RA 9710 entitled "An Act providing for the Magna Carta of Women", which affirms the role of women in nation building and ensures the substantive equality of women and men;
3. It further aims the abolition of unequal structures and practices that perpetuate discrimination and inequality, in order to attain the equality of men and women;
4. Finally, the said ordinance is consistent with RA 7877 also known as the "Anti-Sexual Harassment Act of 1995" which promotes and safeguards the dignity of every individual, enhance the development of its human resources, guarantees full respect for human rights, and upholds the dignity of workers, employees, applicants for employment, students or those undergoing training, instruction or education as well as Republic Act 11313 otherwise known as the "Safe Spaces Act" which upholds that both men and women must have equality, security and safety not only in private, but also on the streets, public spaces, online, workplaces and educational and training institutions.

RECOMMENDATION:

The committee hereby recommends that **City Ordinance No. 2022-031 of the City of Laoag** be declared **VALID**.

Laoag City, 14 February 2023.

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