

**Republic of the Philippines
Province of Capiz
Municipality of Ivisan**

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**ORDINANCE NO. 5
Series of 2010**

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PALM TREE AS THE OFFICIAL MUNICIPAL TREE AND PROVIDING REGULATION FOR ITS PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION.

Be it enacted by the Sanggunian Bayan in a session held at the Session Hall;

SECTION 1. Purpose. This Ordinance aims to conserve any palm specie and promote its ornamental features, its economic importance and distinct Identity.

SECTION 2. Meaning and Description Palm Tree as used in this Ordinance is taken from the word “PALM” – which means – any of over 3,000 species of trees, shrubs, and vines of the family palm. It characterized by an unbranched stem bearing a cluster of feather like (pinnate) or fanlike (palmate) leaves at its crown. Flowers are greenish, borne in spices, and fruits are covered with a leathery, fibrous, outer layer.

Palm – A member of palmae, a family of monocotyledonous, largely tropical trees and shrubs, generally having a tall trunk with no branches and a crown of large leaves.

SECTION 3. The Palm Tree defined in the immediately preceding section is hereby declared the Ivisan Official Municipal Tree.

SECTION 4. The nurturing, conservation and protection of any specie of palm trees found within the Municipality of Ivisan whether naturally grown, planted or grown through the process of propagation, including seeds and seedlings shall be the responsibility of each and every a resident of the Municipality of Ivisan.

SECTION 5. Any person who uproot, cut, peel the bark of its trunk, break stem, destroy leaves, its fruits, seeds and seedlings or by any means affecting its growth shall be fined Five Hundred Pesos (Php 500.00) for the first offense, One Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (Php1,500.00) for the second offense and Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (Php2,500.00) for every succeeding offenses. The acts herein stated shall not be punishable when these are for the purpose of planting, transplanting, decorating or for shelter.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause – If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid by a competent authority, provisions thereof not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect .

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall take affect after fifteen days following its approval.

ENACTED,

**I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Ordinance
has been duly enacted by the Sangguniang Bayan on
October 27, 2010.**

FREDDIE A. TUGNA
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED
TO BE DULY ENACTED

MARITA O. MESTIDIO
Vice Mayor
and
Presiding Officer