

# Custody of St. Anthony of Padua-Philippines

## ORDER OF FRIARS MINOR (OFM)

*Franciscans*



Protocol No. F2021\_002  
January 19, 2021

**FR. FELIX A. JUNGCO, JR. OFM**  
*Chief Executive Friar Officer (CEFO) / Bursar*  
Our Lady of Porziuncola Hospital, Inc. (OLPHI)  
Calbayog City, Samar

Dear Friar Felix:

May the Lord give you peace!

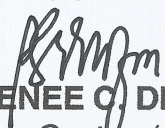
Through this official communication, the Custodial Council for the Triennium 2019 – 2022 during their Council Meeting of January 16, 2021, **DECLARES THE CESSATION OF OPERATIONS OF THE OUR LADY OF PORZIUNCOLA HOSPITAL, INC. (OLPHI), CALBAYOG CITY, SAMAR** until further notice.

The decision of the Council went through a thorough process of discussions, deliberations, and collective discernment. It was on the December 19, 2020, Council Meeting when you notified us through a comprehensive presentation of the situation of OLPHI and the possibility of a shutdown by default. The Council then advised your office to take action in preparation for the gradual cessation of operations or even the possibility of OLPHI closure by reducing services and consequent retrenchment of personnel.

The Council discussed and deliberated on the presentations provided by your good office and the opinion of the hospital administration. Discerning and taking into account the weight of both proposals, the Council came up with a decision confirming and supporting the declaration published in writing by your office in coordination with other friar-managers on January 05, 2021.

Finally, may I admonish you, together with your team, to facilitate the smooth transition of closure by taking into consideration the legal demand of the law for justice and our moral responsibilities to our employees. Thank you for the service you rendered to the institution. This gratitude is extended also to the hospital administrator, personnel, staff, friars, and collaborators.

Fraternally yours,

  
**FR. RENEE Q. DEAN, OFM**  
*Minister Custos / Chairman, OLPHI Board of Trustees*

