

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3071, June 17, 1961]

AN ACT APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF ONE MILLION PESOS FOR THE RELIEF AND REHABILITATION OF THE FIRE VICTIMS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF LAO-ANG, PROVINCE OF SAMAR, AND FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC WORKS WHICH WERE DESTROYED BY THE FIRE OF MARCH TWENTY-SEVEN, NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of one million pesos for the relief and rehabilitation of the fire victims of the Municipality of Lao-ang, Province of Samar, and for the reconstruction of public works which were destroyed by a fire which occurred in, said municipality of March twenty-seven, nineteen hundred sixty-one: *Provided, however,* That this amount of one million pesos shall be used for widening of streets and reclaiming foreshore lands bordering the Municipality of Lao-ang, Province of Samar.

SEC. 2. Subject to pertinent provisions of law and regulations enforced, authority is hereby granted to the Office of the District Engineer, first engineering district, Province of Samar, to undertake and carry out the widening of streets, the reclamation of dredging, filling and/or by other means any foreshore lands bordering the Municipality of Lao-ang, Province of Samar.

SEC. 3. Any and all lands reclaimed as herein provided, shall be the property of the Municipality of Lao-ang, Province of Samar: *Provided,* That such lands shall be leased, sold or disposed of, giving priority to the fire victims of the Municipality of Lao-ang, Province of Samar, in the year nineteen, hundred and sixty-one whose annual income is less than two thousand pesos, and shall be leased, sold or disposed of in any other manner in accordance with existing laws, except that the new foreshore along the reclaimed lands shall continue to be the property of the National Government: *Provided, further,* That the proceeds thereof shall constitute as a trust fund to be used for the repair and improvement of the area destroyed by the conflagration in a manner as the Municipal Council of Lao-ang shall determine.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved, June 17, 1961.
