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ORDINANCE NO. SP- **2541**, S-2016

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A "QUEZON CITY SHELTER HOME FOR SENIOR CITIZENS" WHICH SHALL PROVIDE TEMPORARY SHELTER AND IMMEDIATE CARE FOR ABANDONED, NEGLECTED, VAGRANT, AND/OR HOMELESS SENIOR CITIZENS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THERETO.

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Co-Introduced by Councilors Marivic Co-Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Donato C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Lena Marie P. Juico, Elizabeth A. Delarmente, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Oliviere T. Belmonte, Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ramon P. Medalla, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Estrella C. Valmocina, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Kate Abigael G. Coseteng, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Marvin C. Rillo, Raquel S. Malañgen, Irene R. Belmonte, Ivy Xenia L. Lagman, Marra C. Suntay, Jose A. Visaya, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Julienne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Godofredo T. Liban II, Andres Jose G. Yllana, Jr., Allan Butch T. Francisco and Ricardo B. Corpuz.*

WHEREAS, Section 11, Article XIII of the Constitution provides that the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavour to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, women and children. Section 4, Article XV of the Constitution further declares that it is the duty of the family to take care of its elderly members while the State may design programs of social security for them;

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WHEREAS, pursuant to the objectives of Republic Act No. 9994, the Quezon City Government is mandated to adopt measures whereby our senior citizens are assisted and appreciated by the community as a whole, as well as to establish community-based health and rehabilitation programs for senior citizens in every political unit of society.”;

WHEREAS, under Section 17 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the local government units shall exercise such powers and discharge such functions and responsibilities which are necessary, appropriate, or incidental to efficient and effective provisions of the basic services and facilities. These facilities would include, but are not limited to, infrastructure facilities such as multi-purpose hall, multipurpose pavement, plaza, sports center, and other similar facilities;

WHEREAS, Section 458, Paragraph (5) [XIV], Article III of the same Code contemplates that local government units shall provide for the care of disabled persons, paupers, the aged x xx subject to the availability of funds, and shall establish and provide for the operation of centers and facilities for said needy and disadvantaged persons;

WHEREAS, the 19th Quezon City Council recently approved Resolution No. SP-5888, Series of 2014, which intends to make Quezon City as “Senior Citizens Friendly City”.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE – This Ordinance shall be known as “Quezon City Senior Citizens’ Shelter Home Ordinance of 2016”.

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY – It is a policy of the City Government to recognize the rights of senior citizens to take their proper place in society and make it a concern of the family, community, and government as well as to provide a comprehensive health care and rehabilitation system for disabled and senior citizens to foster their capacity to attain a more meaningful and productive ageing. Y

SECTION 3. OBJECTIVE – This Ordinance aims to establish a shelter home for senior citizens in Quezon City which shall serve as a transition house and shall provide temporary shelter and immediate care for senior citizens who may be found and/or reported as abandoned, neglected, vagrant, and/or homeless.

SECTION 4. LOCATION – The Quezon City Government shall construct or designate a vacant establishment within its territorial jurisdiction as shelter home for senior citizens, wherever it shall be deemed viable.

SECTION 5. FUNCTIONS OF THE SHELTER HOME FOR SENIOR CITIZEN – The proposed Quezon City Shelter Home for Senior Citizens shall primarily serve as a “halfway or transition house” for the abandoned or homeless senior citizens while the city government helps them contact their relatives or arranges their official transfer to appropriate institutions for their permanent custody and lasting care, such as a home for the aged. The functions of which include but are not limited to:

- 5.1. To identify the general needs of the admitted senior citizens;*
- 5.2. To provide immediate and temporary shelter, care, and sanitation of the admitted senior citizens;*
- 5.3. To check and look for possible relatives of the senior citizen who could take custody of the latter;*
- 5.4. To coordinate the transfer of the senior citizens with the Social Services Development Department (SSDD), the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), home for the aged, and other local government agencies concerned; ✓*

- 5.5. To promote and maintain linkages with other local government units and other instrumentalities of government for the delivery of health care services, facilities, professional advice services, volunteer training and community self-help projects; and
- 5.6. To exercise such other functions which are necessary to carry out the purpose for which the shelter home is established.

SECTION 6. ADMISSION DURATION – No senior citizen shall be admitted or confined in the shelter home for a period longer than two (2) weeks. A senior citizen who shall remain unfetched by his/her relatives within the prescribed period shall be referred to Kalinga Day Center for Elderlies or other appropriate institution such as a home for the aged for his/ her permanent custody and care.

SECTION 7. FUNDING FOR THE QUEZON CITY SHELTER HOME FOR SENIOR CITIZENS – The funds necessary for the establishment and continuous implementation and operation of the Quezon City Shelter Home for Senior Citizens shall be taken out from any available funds of the City.

SECTION 8. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS – The Office of the Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA), the Social Services and Development Department (SSDD), and other concerned agencies are hereby enjoined to participate in the crafting of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of this Ordinance, which shall be made immediately upon its effectivity.

SECTION 9. REPEALING CLAUSE – Any previous Ordinance/s or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or superseded accordingly. ✓

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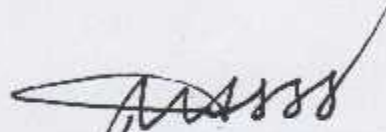
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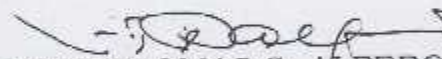
SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - If any provision of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid, other provisions not affected by such declaration shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. EFFECTIVITY - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

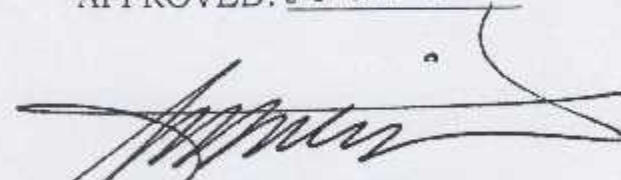
ENACTED: November 21, 2016.


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President Pro-Tempore
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
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APPROVED: 03 JAN 2017


HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on November 21, 2016 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on December 5, 2016.

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