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ORDINANCE NO. SP- **3011**, S-2021

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING 3RD WEEK OF MARCH AS "HYGIENE AND SANITATION WEEK OF QUEZON CITY" AND FURTHER ENCOURAGING THE OBSERVANCE THEREOF BY ALL SECTORS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY, SUBJECT TO APPLICABLE LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Introduced by Councilor EDEN DELILAH "Candy" A. MEDINA.
Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P. Juico, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Nicole Ella V. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Atty. Bong Liban, Ramon P. Medalla, Mikey F. Belmonte, Estrella C. Valmocina, Franz S. Pumaren, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Jorge L. Banal, Sr., Peachy V. De Leon, Imee A. Rillo, Marra C. Suntay, Irene R. Belmonte, Resty B. Malañgen, Ivy L. Lagman, Hero M. Bautista, Jose A. Visaya, Karl Castelo, Patrick Michael Vargas, Shaira L. Liban, Ram V. Medalla, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto-Antonio, Donato "Donny" C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Freddy S. Roxas and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared COVID-19 a pandemic, pointing to the over 118,000 cases of the Coronavirus illness in over 110 countries and territories around the world and the sustained risk of further global spread;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, 3rd week of March, the government of the Philippines under President Rodrigo Roa Duterte imposed an Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) in Luzon (including its associated islands), which is effectively a total lockdown, restricting the movement of the population except for necessity, work, and health circumstances, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, as a premier city, the Quezon City should be the trailblazer in initiating activities for the promotion of hygiene and sanitation in the country;

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WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government under the present administration is committed in promoting sanitation as its citizens' paramount concern. To realize Quezon City's vision to maintain a clean and healthy environment, the active participation of its inhabitants in the City's programs is indispensable;

WHEREAS, access to safe water and hygiene and sanitation facilities plays a vital role in preventing the spread of COVID-19 pandemic, particularly for the elders and people with disabilities and/or chronic illnesses who are often cited as vulnerable;

WHEREAS, poor hygiene is a contributing factor in the spread of infectious diseases. In the case of COVID-19, hygiene promotion, with a strong focus on hand washing, is crucial to halting the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, a week of observance is sufficient to hold the numerous activities lined up to promote programs on hygiene and sanitation.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. PURPOSE. - The 3rd week of March of every year is hereby declared as the "Hygiene and Sanitation Week of Quezon City" to promote awareness on the best health and hygiene practices, proper disposal of wastes and regular disinfection operations and activities in Quezon City to fight poverty and prevent the outbreak of diseases like COVID-19. 9

SECTION 2. IMPLEMENTING DEPARTMENT. - The Office of the City Mayor, through the Department of Sanitation and Clean-up Works, shall issue the necessary guidelines or rules and regulations for the effective, efficient and economical implementation thereof.

SECTION 3. ATTACHED DEPARTMENTS. - Let copy of this Ordinance be furnished the Department of Sanitation and Clean-up Works, Environmental Protection and Waste Management Department, Quezon City Health Department, Liga ng mga Barangay and all offices, departments and agencies concerned for their information, guidance and reference.

SECTION 4. CAMPAIGN AND PROMOTION. - The Department of Sanitation and Clean-up Works, Environmental Protection and Waste Management Department, Quezon City Health Department, Liga ng mga Barangay, and the different sectors of the City, shall conduct a massive campaign in celebration thereof. 6

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SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED: February 8, 2021.


GIAN G. SOTTO
City Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:



Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Government Dept. Head III

APPROVED: FEB 26 2021


MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on February 8, 2021 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on February 15, 2021.


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Government Dept. Head III

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