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ORDINANCE NO. SP-**3066**, S-2021

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. SP-2868, S-2019, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE FURTHER AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. SP-2140, S-2012, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. SP-2350, S-2014 BY PROVIDING THE MECHANISM FOR THE UTILIZATION OF THE GREEN FUND FROM THE PLASTIC RECOVERY SYSTEM FEE AND IMPOSING A TOTAL BAN ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF PLASTIC BAGS FROM THE EFFECTIVITY OF THE ORDINANCE AND BROWN BAGS TWO YEARS THEREAFTER", FOR PURPOSES OF DEFERRING THE BAN ON THE USE OF BROWN BAGS DURING THE STATE OF CALAMITY ARISING FROM THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

Introduced by Councilor DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P. Juico, Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Nicole Ella V. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Eden Delilah "Candy" A. Medina, Ramon P. Medalla, Mikey F. Belmonte, Estrella C. Valmocina, Franz S. Pumaren, Kate Galang-Coseteng, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Jorge L. Banal, Sr., Peachy V. De Leon, Marra C. Suntay, Irene R. Belmonte, Patrick Michael Vargas, Ram V. Medalla, Marivic Co Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto-Antonio, Donato "Donny" C. Matias and Eric Z. Medina.

WHEREAS, Section 5 of Ordinance No. SP-2868, S-2019, popularly known as the "Plastic Bag Ban Ordinance", provides that there shall be a total ban on the distribution of brown bags a year after the implementation of the Ordinance. Based on Section 6 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the same Ordinance, the date for the ban was identified as January 1, 2022;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the City Council declared Quezon City to be under a state of calamity due to COVID-19 Pandemic;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability Department ("Climate Change Department") has recommended the deferment of the ban on brown bags considering the difficult circumstances arising from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, the Climate Change Department proposes to continue its information campaign in the interim in preparation for the eventual banning of brown bags;

WHEREAS, under Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the City has the power to do all things necessary, appropriate, or incidental to govern efficiently and effectively, promote the general welfare, health and safety, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants;

WHEREAS, Section 458 (a)(1)(iv) of the same Code provides that the City Council may adopt measures to protect the inhabitants of the city from the harmful effects of natural disasters and calamities.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. – Section 5 of Ordinance No. SP-2868, S-2019 is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 5. PHASE TWO

- a. Two (2) years after the date of effectivity of this Ordinance, there shall also be a total ban on the distribution of brown bags in all Shopping Malls, Supermarkets, Department Stores, Grocery Stores, Fast Food Chains and Food Stalls, Restaurants, Drug Stores, Pharmacies, and other similar retailers operating in the City.

The City Mayor, while the City is under the state of calamity, may defer the implementation of this ban on brown bags, provided that the deferment is for six (6) month periods and shall be based on the prevailing economic conditions and other relevant considerations.



- b. *Brown Bags- Brown bags shall refer to non-handled (no handle) single-use paper carry-out bags, regardless of color, including those provided by Pharmacies except Medicine Bags as defined under Section 1 of this Ordinance.*

SECTION 2. INFORMATION CAMPAIGN IN THE INTERIM. – Provided that the City Mayor defer the ban on brown bags, the Quezon City Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability Department shall use the said period for intensified information campaign to assist in the transition of the eventual ban on brown bags.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED: December 23, 2021.



GIAN G. SOTTO
City Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

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


APPROVED: JAN 4 2022



MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading during its 10th Special Session held on December 23, 2021 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on the same date.



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

