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ORDINANCE NO. SP-1145 S-2002

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH HOME VISITING PROGRAM IN EVERY BARANGAY HEALTH CENTER WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors JESUS "Bong" C. SUNTAY, WILMA AMORANTO-SARDINO, ELIZABETH A. DELARMENTE, BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY, AIKO MELENDEZ-YLLANA, MARY ANN L SUSANO, DIORELLA MARIA G. SOTTO-DE LEON, ALMA F. MONTILLA, JANET M. MALAYA, VINCENT P. CRISOLOGO, VICTOR V. FERRER, JR., ROMMEL R. ABESAMIS, VOLTAIRE GODOPFREDO L. LIBAN III, RAMON P. MEDALLA, ALLAN BUTCH T. FRANCISCO, ERIC Z. MEDINA, JORGE L. BANAL, JULIAN M.L. COSETENG, FRANZ S. PUMAREN, WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY, DANTE M. DE GUZMAN, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR., RICARDO R. DEL ROSARIO, RESTITUTO B. MALAÑGEN, ALMARIO E. FRANCISCO and MARVIN C. RILLO.

WHEREAS, Article XIII, Section 11 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, provides that, "The state shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development xxx. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged sick, elderly, disabled women, and children (emphasis provided);

WHEREAS, Article XIII, Section 14 of the same Constitution, provides, further, that, "The State shall protect women by x x x, taking into account their maternal functions x x x, and opportunities that will enhance their welfare and enable them to realize their full potential x x x";

WHEREAS, maternal health, nutrition and education are important for the survival and well being of women in their own right and key determinants of the health and well being of the child in early infancy;

WHEREAS, the causes of the high rates of infant mortality, especially neonatal mortality are linked to untimely pregnancies, low birth weight and pre-term births, unsafe delivery, neo natal tetanus, high fertility rates, etc;

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide for pre-natal and post-natal maternity health care services for women in order to protect their health, as well as the future health and well being of their newborn children;

WHEREAS, this measure will enable pregnant women and parents to become productive independent contributors to family and community life;

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the City government of Quezon City to introduce measures that will ensure the health and safety of pregnant women and newborn children.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. - This Ordinance shall be known as the "Maternal and Infant Health Home Visiting Program".

SECTION 2. DEFINITION. - For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

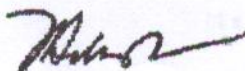
- a) Maternal refers to the characteristics of a female parent capable of getting pregnant.
- b) Pre-natal refers to what takes place before birth of a child.
- c) Post-natal refers to what takes place after birth of a child.
- d) Infant refers to child in the early period of life.

SECTION 3. PRESCRIBED ACT. - The City Health Officer shall require health centers to designate an appropriate health professional or qualified non-professional acting under the supervision of a healthcare professional who shall deliver maternal and child health services.

The maternal and child health services shall include the following:

- a) Instruction and counseling regarding future health care for the woman and her child;
- b) Nutrition counseling;
- c) Counseling and education concerning all aspects of prenatal care, childbirth and motherhood;
- d) General family counseling, including child and family development counseling; and
- e) Medical care or referral for medical care for the woman and her child.

SECTION 4. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. - If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the ordinance or the provision not otherwise affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.





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SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. - All provisions of orders, decrees, including rules and regulations and local legislative measures inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. - This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

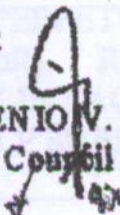
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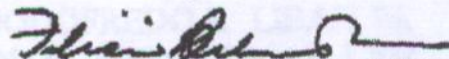
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:



EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary

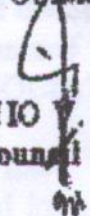
APPROVED: June 11, 2002



FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR.
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance which was APPROVED on Second Reading on April 23, 2002, was finally PASSED by the City Council on May 7, 2002.



EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary

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