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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. <u>27</u> Series of 2020

ESTABLISHING THE KALINGANG QC FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, on 13 March 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City Council declared Quezon City under a state of calamity.

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, to mitigate the pandemic, the President declared an Enhanced Community Quarantine over the entire Luzon island. Among others, the quarantine prohibited mass gatherings, closed down all but essential businesses and suspended public transportation. These measures effectively deprived many poor Quezon City residents of the means to earn a livelihood;

WHEREAS, based on Sec. 16 of the Local Government Code, the City has the power to do all things necessary, appropriate, or incidental to govern efficiently and effectively, promote general welfare, promote health and safety, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants.

WHEREAS, under Sec. 455(b)(1)(vii) of the Local Government Code, the Mayor may carry out such emergency measures as may be necessary during times of calamity;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, Mayor of Quezon City, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do order:

- 1. Financial Assistance Program. A financial assistance program known as Kalingang QC is hereby created. Kalingang QC shall provide a one-time payment of Two Thousand Pesos (PHP2,000.00) to the Target Beneficiaries as defined below.
- 2. Target Beneficiaries. The target beneficiaries shall be specific categories of vulnerable or displaced Quezon City resident workers in indigent low-income households, the subsistence economy, the informal economy, and the daily wage earners, as follows:
 - a. Drivers/Operators of public utility vehicles such as
 - i. members of Tricycle Operators & Drivers Association (TODA)
 - ii. members of Pedicab Operators & Drivers Association (PODA)
 - iii. members of Jeepney Operators & Drivers Association (JODA), and
 - iv. driver/operator of Asian Utility Vehicle (AUV)
 - b. market vendors;
 - c. indigent solo parents;
 - d. indigent persons with disabilities (PWDs); and
 - e. other categories of vulnerable and indigent workers that the Social Services Development Department (SSDD) may recommend.

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3. Documentary Requirements. All beneficiaries are required to bring and submit a valid identification card (ID). Depending on the kind of beneficiary, the following are the specific requirements:

Beneficiary	Specific Documentary Requirements
Person With Disability	Person with Disability ID, and any other documents reasonably showing loss of income or indigent status
Solo Parent	Solo Parent's ID, and any other documents showing loss of income or indigent status
Informal Workers	Driver's License; or
	Tricycle Operators and Drivers Association (TODA) ID; or
	Certification of membership from the Organization/Association; or
	Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC); or
	Certification from the Barangay or City, or any other document showing
	employment/occupation/ enterprise, as may be reasonably acceptable to the City.

The SSDD may recommend any modifications to the documentary requirements as may be necessary.

- 4. Eligibility and Verification. The City shall retain the right and discretion to reasonably determine eligible persons under this Order and applicable law. Entitlement to financial assistance shall be subject to, and conditional upon the verification of the documents and information supplied by the applicants. Applicants found to have misrepresented their information may be subject to criminal or administrative charges.
- 5. Identification & Profiling of Target Beneficiaries. In the identification of beneficiaries, the QC Government may refer to the existing data of concerned QC offices/departments such as the following:
 - a. Social Services Development Department registered solo parents
 - b. Tricycle Regulation Division registered members of Tricycle Operators & Drivers Association (TODA) and Pedicab Operators & Drivers Association (PODA) etc.
 - c. Task Force for Transport and Traffic Management (DPOS) registered members of Jeepney Operators & Drivers Association (JODA), driver/operator of Asian Utility Vehicle (AUV)
 - d. Market Development and Administration list of registered vendors
 - e. Persons with Disability Affairs Office list of registered PWDs
 - f. Barangay list of other identified beneficiaries
- **6. Distribution Scheme of Financial Assistance.** The Kalingang QC program shall distribute its financial assistance through any expeditious means, which may include any of the following:
 - a. Direct cash payouts;
 - b. Payment through electronic or digital means;
 - c. Cash card payments;

d. Transfer of funds through QC-LGU; or

e. Any other reasonable mode to expedite the distribution of assistance.

In the distribution of financial assistance, physical distancing, and the prohibition of mass gatherings must continue to be maintained.

- 7. Duration. This Executive Order shall remain effective until such time that the President or other appropriate authority lifts the state of public health emergency. If any subsequent law, regulation, guideline or issuance affects any portion of this Order, such portion shall be deemed amended accordingly.
- 8. Funding. Funding requirements shall be drawn from the emergency funds of the City, and other funds available as may be later identified.
- 9. Dissemination. A copy of this Executive Order shall be furnished to the Office of the President and the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) for information and guidance pursuant to Section 455(1)(xii) of RA 7160, as amended, and shall be posted at the official website of the Quezon City Government.
- 10. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, 6 April 2020, Quezon City.

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE City Mayor