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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. <u>N</u> Series of 2021

EXTENDING THE COMPLIANCE PERIOD FOR EMPLOYEE HEALTH CERTIFICATES AND OCCUPATIONAL PERMITS

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte signed Proclamation No. 922 entitled "Declaring a State of Public Health Emergency Throughout the Philippines" on March 8, 2020;

WHEREAS, on 13 March 2020, the *Sangguniang Panlungsod* adopted Resolution No. SP-8141, series of 2020, declaring a state of calamity in Quezon City due to the pandemic;

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2021, the Philippines recorded 15,310 new COVID-19 infections, the highest ever number of daily cases;

WHEREAS, upon consultation with the Business Permits and Licensing Department (BPLD) and the City Health Department of Quezon City, there is an urgent need to take appropriate measures in relation to the application for and issuance of occupational/work permits of workers employed in Quezon City, as well the health certificate/yellow card as a requirement for the issuance of a sanitary permit to business establishments, to lessen the number of individuals going out of their homes and minimize the risk of their exposure from the virus;

WHEREAS, under Section 455 (b) (1) (vii) Republic Act No. 7160 or the Local Government Code, the City Mayor may carry out such emergency measures as may be necessary during calamities;

WHEREAS, under Section 455 (b) (2) (iii) of the Local Government Code, the City Mayor may issue such executive orders for the faithful and appropriate enforcement and execution of laws and ordinances;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, City Mayor, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

1. Health Certificates. Employee health certificates shall not be a prerequisite for issuance of an establishment's sanitary permit. After issuance of the sanitary permit, the establishment shall have until December 31, 2021 to obtain and submit the individual health certificates of the establishment's employees.

2. Occupational Permits. All employees who are working or are employed in Quezon City shall have an extended period of until December 31, 2021 to secure an occupational permit.

3. Dissemination. A copy of this Executive Order shall be furnished to the Office of the President and the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) for

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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.

4. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until December 31, 2021.

Done, <u>12</u> April 2021, Quezon City.

MA. JOSEFINAG. BELMONTE Mayor