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Quezon City 21st City Council

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AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR THE FIRST QUARTER REAL PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT FOR 2021 TO APRIL 30, 2021, AMENDING SECTION 12(b), ARTICLE 7, CHAPTER 2 OF ORDINANCE NO. SP-91, S-1993, AND SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. SP-3017, S-2021, FOR THIS PURPOSE.

Introduced by Councilors VICTOR V. FERRER, JR. and FRANZ S. PUMAREN.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P. Juico, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Nicole Ella V. Crisologo, Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Atty. Bong Liban, Eden Delilah "Candy" A. Medina, Ramon P. Medalla, Mikey F. Belmonte. Estrella C. Valmocina, Kate Galang-Coseteng, Matias John T. Defensor, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Jorge L. Banal, Sr., Peachy V. De Leon, Imee A. Rillo, Marra C. Suntay, Irene R. Belmonte, Resty B. Malangen, 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, under Section 12(b), Article 7, Chapter 2 of the Quezon City Revenue Code, the last day of payment for the first quarter real property tax is on or before March 31, of each year;

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2021, the National Capital Region and several nearby provinces were placed under Enhanced Community Quarantine and pursuant to the amendment of the omnibus guidelines issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID), under Resolution 106-B, mandates the adoption of reduced on site capacity, with LGU's to implement and adopt a skeleton workforce and alternative work arrangement to make the LGU's fully operational;

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WHEREAS, on March 29, 2021, City Ordinance No. SP-3017, S-2021 was enacted extending the payment for the 2021 first quarter real property tax payment to April 20, 2021;

WHEREAS, the ECQ was extended for another week and although downgraded to Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine, it still created a negative impact economically on the taxpayers already reeling from over a year of pandemic;

WHEREAS, despite the extended period granted under Ordinance No. SP-3017, S-2021, the taxpayers still found it challenging economically and physically to comply with the real property tax obligations for the 1st Quarter of 2021 within the new period until April 20, 2021;

WHEREAS, on the midnight of April 20, 2021, real property taxpayers were still in the Quezon City Hall Compound and were unable to make the payment within the last day of the extended period;

WHEREAS, this situation was brought about by the reduced capacity of the City Treasurer's Office as majority of its personnel were engaged in the distribution of the financial assistance mandated by the National Government;

WHEREAS, to fully implement the policy of the Quezon City Government and to further ease the impact of economic adversities on its constituents while enabling the collection of taxes, without the added burden of penalties and surcharges, but with the added benefit of a prompt payment discounts, there is an urgent need to extend the payment for the 1st quarter real property tax for 2021 until April 30, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 12(b), ARTICLE 7, CHAPTER 2, OF ORDINANCE NO. SP-91, S-1993 AND SECTION 1, ORDINANCE NO. SP-3017, S-2021. - Section 12(b), Article 7, Chapter 2 and Section 1 of Ordinance No. SP-3017, S-2021 are hereby partially amended by extending the deadline for the payment of the first quarter real property tax from April 20, 2021 to April 30, 2021.

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SECTION 2. EFFECTIVITY. - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED: April 26, 2021.

GIAN G. SOTTO City Vice Mayor Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

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

APPROVED: APR 2 8 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 April 26, 2021 under Suspended Rules and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on the same date.

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