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ORDINANCE NO. SP-**3061**, S-2021

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. SP-2905, S-2020, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE SETTING PUBLIC SAFETY HOURS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY FROM 8:00PM TO 5:00AM DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUSPENDING THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE SAME AND GIVING AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MAYOR TO REIMPOSE THE SAME WHEN NECESSARY TO RESPOND TO A SURGE IN COVID-19 CASES.

Introduced by Councilor 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, Atty. Bong Liban, 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, Irene R. Belmonte, Ivy L. Lagman, Hero M. Bautista, Karl Castelo, Patrick Michael Vargas, Shaira L. Liban, Ram V. Medalla, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co Pilar, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Donato "Donny" C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, President Rodrigo R. Duterte issued Proclamation No. 922, entitled "Declaring a State of Public Health Emergency all throughout the Philippines", to facilitate measures to address the COVID-19 pandemic, including mandatory reporting, quarantine, and disease control or prevention measures;

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the Metro Manila Council strongly recommended to all local governments of the National Capital Region to enact an ordinance declaring a city-wide curfew due to the pandemic;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the City Council enacted Ordinance No. SP-2905, S-2020, entitled "An Ordinance Setting Public Safety Hours Within the territorial Jurisdiction of Quezon City from 8:00pm to 5:00am Due to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic, Providing Penalties For Violation Thereof, and For Other Purposes", which was later amended by Ordinance No. SP-2947, S-2020 and Ordinance No. SP-2963, S-2020;

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2021, the Metro Manila Council adopted Resolution No. 21-25 enjoining all local governments of the National Capital Region to lift their City-wide curfews in light of the decrease in COVID-19 cases and the impending holiday season;

WHEREAS, while cases are currently at a low level, a future surge might require reimposition of the curfew. Hence, it is advisable that the City Mayor retain the power to quickly re-impose Public Safety Hours to respond to future similar situation;






WHEREAS, under Section 458 (a)(5)(xii) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the City Council is mandated to approve measures and adopt quarantine regulations to prevent the introduction and spread of diseases;

WHEREAS, Section 6 (e) of Republic Act No. 11332, entitled "The Mandatory Reporting of Notifiable Diseases and Health Events of Public Health Concern Act", local governments have the authority to conduct rapid containment, quarantine and isolation, disease prevention and control measures.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT – Section 9 of Ordinance No. SP-2905, S-2020 is hereby amended to read as follows:



"SECTION 9. AUTHORITY TO THE CITY MAYOR – In accordance with Metro Manila Council Resolution No. 21-25, the enforcement of this Ordinance is hereby suspended. The City Mayor shall have authority to restore enforcement of this Ordinance when necessary to respond to a surge in COVID-19 cases, for such times as may be recommended by the Metro Manila Council or are otherwise reasonable under the circumstances. Further, in the exigency of service to contain the spread of COVID-19, the City Mayor is likewise authorized to declare or impose other emergency measures required for the expedient resolution of the state of public health emergency, subject to applicable laws, regulations or ordinances."

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

ENACTED: November 8, 2021.


ERIC Z. MEDINA
Minority Floor Leader
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


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

APPROVED: NOV 12 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 November 8, 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

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