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ORDINANCE NO. 2020-105

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE REDUCTION OF EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF MUNTINLUPA AND, THEREBY, AUGMENTING AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE

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WHEREAS, under Section 15, Article II of the Philippines Constitution, it is the State's policy to protect and promote the right to health of the people;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Republic Act No. 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991 (LGC) provides that "every local government unit (LGU) shall exercise powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;"

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued Proclamation Nos. 922 and 929, s. 2020 declaring a State of Public Health Emergency and State of Calamity, respectively, throughout the Philippines to afford ample latitude to utilize appropriate funds in disaster preparedness and response efforts to contain the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, on 24 March 2020, the Congress through the R.A. No. 11469 or the "Bayanihan to Heal as One Act" declared a *State of National Emergency* over the entire country to respond efficiently to the crisis brought by the pandemic. Under Section 4(g) thereof, the President is empowered to ensure that all LGUs are acting within the letter and spirit of all the rules, regulations and directives issued by the National Government;

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WHEREAS, on 16 June 2020, the Local Finance Committee issued Resolution No. 05, s. 2020, which provides for recommendations to reduce expenditures of the City Government of Muntinlupa and, thereby, augment available funds for COVID-19 response including unspent funds;

WHEREAS, on 19 June 2020, the Sangguniang Panlungsod through the Majority Floor Leader, received the said Local Finance Committee Resolution No. 5, s. 2020 as endorsed by the Local Chief Executive;

WHEREAS, the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) Local Budget Circular (LBC) No. 124, s. 2020provides policy guidelines on the provision of funds by the LGUs to address the COVID-19 situation including, among others, the use of savings and augmentation;

WHEREAS, Section 336 of the LGC and Article 454 (b) of the LGC Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) allow the use of appropriated funds and savings to augment any item in the approved annual budget, subject to the conditions and requirements as prescribed therein;

WHEREAS, Section 336 of the LGC states that:

"Section 336. Use of Appropriated Funds and Savings. - Funds shall be available exclusively for the specific purpose for which they have been appropriated. No ordinance shall be passed authorizing any transfer of appropriations from one item to another. However, the Local Chief Executive or the presiding officer of the Sanggunian concerned, may, by ordinance, be authorized to augment any item in the approved annual budget for their respective offices from savings in other items within the same expense class of their respective appropriations."

WHEREAS, Article 454 (b) of the LGC-IRR defined augmentation as one that implies the existence in the budget of an item, project, activity, or purpose with an appropriation which upon implementation or subsequent evaluation of needed esources is determined to be deficient;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, by the 9th Sangguniang Panlungsod in session assembled that:

SECTION 1. Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Ordinance Reducing the City Expenditure and Augmenting the Available Funds for COVID-19 Response.



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SECTION 2. Coverage. This Ordinance shall cover the measures provided in the subsequent section and reduction of expenditure shall begin on **01 July 2020**.

SECTION 3. *Economic and Austerity Measures.* The following measures subject to reduction of expenditure are as follows:

- (a) Overtime pay to employees shall cease. Only the compensatory time-off, as provided by the City Human Resources Management Department (CHRMD), shall be allowed;
- (b) Grant of COVID-19-related Hazard Pay to qualified employees shall cover only until 15 May 2020.

Regular Hazard Pay related to the performance of duties of qualified employees, as attested by the CHRMD, assigned to the following departments and offices shall **continue**:

- i. City Health Office;
- ii. Ospital ng Muntinlupa;
- iii. City Veterinary Office; and
- iv. Muntinlupa Traffic Management Bureau.
- v. Other Employees as determined by the Local Chief Executive;
- (c) Grant of Honorarium or Allowance in the performance of duties related to a Committee, Council, Technical Working Group (TWG), or any other similarly-situated grouping, which under the Local Government Code of 1991 and related ordinances, which are made subject to availability of funds, shall be suspended.
- (d) Grant of Honorarium or Allowance to all officers and staff members of National Government Agencies (NGAs) who have been previously receiving the allowance from the City Government of Muntinlupa shall be reduced to fifty percent (50%).
- (e) Salaries of non-essential consultants and technical assistants shall be reduced.
- (f) Recruitment and hiring of new personnel shall not be allowed. However, front liners in health, law enforcement, sanitation, social services, and personnel engaged in other essential services may be considered once attested to by the concerned department or office and concurred by the CHRMD.

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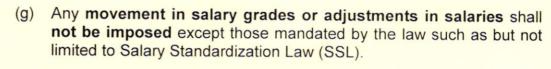
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- (h) Local and foreign travels for all officials, officers, and staff shall not be allowed.
- (i) Civic celebrations, cultural events, and sports activities shall not be conducted.
- (j) New vehicles and major capital outlay purchases shall not be incurred.
- (k) The following shall be discontinued:
 - At least seventy percent (70%) of purchases of office supplies, other supplies, and materials not related to COVID-19 response;
 - ii. One hundred percent (100%) of expenses on training and development, seminars, workshops; and
 - iii. Programs, projects, and activities (PPAs) not related to COVID-19 response.
- (I) Amount of Pamaskong Handog Program, a program under the Office of the Mayor, the Office of the Vice Mayor, and Offices of the Members of the SangguniangPanlungsod, shall be reduced by twenty-five (25%) of the current appropriations.
- (m) Rice allocation equivalent to one (1) sack per employee, to be given in December 2020, shall be halted.

SECTION 4. Augmentation for COVID-19 Response. The available and/or unspent funds from the reduction of expenditure shall augment the budgetary requirements in response to COVID-19 pandemic, subject to the existing applicable national and local enactments and issuances.

SECTION 5. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. *Publication.* This Ordinance shall be posted in the Official Website of the City Government of Muntinlupa and in all available social media platforms.

SECTION 7. Effectivity Clause. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

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ENACTED, by the 9th Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa this 29th day of June 2020, on its 51st Regular Session.

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