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ORDINANCE NO. 2021-196

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING FRANCHISE TO UNITED ASSOCIATION OF COCKPIT OWNERS AND OPERATORS OF THE PHILIPPINES, INC., (UACOOP) TO BROADCAST LIVE AND DATA STREAMED COCKFIGHTING ACTIVITIES AND DERBIES AT COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND TO ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN OFF-SITE COCKPIT BETTING STATIONS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF CITY OF MUNTINLUPA

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WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod as a legislative body, by express provision of law, ***“is empowered and authorized to license and grant franchise for the establishment, operation and maintenance of cockpits, regulate cockfighting activities and breeding of fighting cocks within its territorial jurisdiction, provided that existing rights should not be prejudiced”***;

WHEREAS, the ***United Association of Cockpit Owners and Operators of the Philippines, Inc. (UACOOP)*** is a duly registered association here in the Philippines, which caters to the needs of owners, operators and promoters of cockfighting aficionados;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the ***Games and Amusement Board (GAB)*** continuing regulatory power over all aspect of cockfighting as provided in P.D. No.1802 (Creating the Philippine Gamefowl Commission), in relation to E.O. No. 149 (Streamlining the Office of the President), that were devolved to the LGU’s through Section 447 (a) (3) (v) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, ***“it granted UACOOP authority to take video live coverage of cockfights and live stream the same, subject to the terms and conditions stated therein”***;

WHEREAS, in view of today’s modern technology, the City of Muntinlupa recognizes that a cockpit may be viewed in different social media platforms for a fee, through the internet or live-streaming wherein the end-user is situated in other location;





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**WHEREAS**, upon consideration of the application of UACCOOP, the City of Muntinlupa hereby grants franchise for the live streaming, broadcasting or other forms of transmission of cockpits, and any and all betting on cockfighting through the telephone, internet and other electronic machines/means such as short messaging, mobile and desktop applications and similar platforms and collect fees for such purpose in commercial establishments within the City of Muntinlupa:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, AS IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED**, by the 9<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa, in session assembled, **THAT**:

**SECTION 1. Short Title.** – This ordinance shall be known as the off-site cockpit betting station or “eSabong Gaming” within the jurisdiction of the City of Muntinlupa.

**SECTION 2. Nature, Scope, Grant of Franchise.** – Subject to the provisions of applicable laws, rules and regulations, a franchise to broadcast live and data stream cockfighting activities and derbies at commercial establishment such as bars, club, restaurant and the likes, within the City of Muntinlupa is hereby granted to United Association of Cockpit Owners and Operators of the Philippines, Incorporated, provided that the cockfighting subject to broadcast shall only be done in all a licensed cockpit, unless otherwise allowed in some other area, pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 449.

**SECTION 3. Betting Stations, limitations.** The Commercial establishments where the grantee intends to broadcast and live stream cockfight activities and to establish, operate and maintain off-site cockpit betting stations, shall be located and operated only within appropriated areas as prescribed by zoning laws and applicable ordinances. No establishment shall be operated and maintained within the radius of **two hundred (200) lineal meters** from any existing school buildings, churches and public buildings.

To conform with national laws, rules and regulations and local ordinances, betting stations shall implement strict observance of health and safety protocols to avoid transmission of Covid-19 virus. In view thereof, the “bet and go policy” shall be strictly implemented in all betting stations and its premises.

**SECTION 4. Declaration of Franchise.** – Unless sooner revoked or cancelled, this franchise shall be valid for a period of **five (5) years** commencing from the effectivity of this Ordinance with the option on the part of the Grantee to renew the same for a similar period and subject to the approval of the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

**SECTION 5. Authority of the Office of the Mayor.** – The Grantee shall apply and secure the required business permit to operate from the Office of the Mayor and the letter shall have authority to require compliance of all existing laws, ordinances, rules and regulations similarly imposed to all business establishments and impose conditions thereto as are expressly or impliedly necessary for the protection of the welfare and safety of all persons going or transacting in said commercial establishments.

**SECTION 6. Prohibition of Sale, Lease, Usufruct and Transfer of Franchise.** – This franchise is non-transferable in character, as such, the **Grantee** shall not sell, assign, lease, grant the usufruct of or transfer this **franchise**, including rights and privileges acquired thereunder to any person, nature or juridical, firm or other entities, nor merge with any corporation or individual **without prior notice and approval of the Sangguniang Panlungsod.**



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**SECTION 7. Mandatory Payment of Taxes and Fees Provisions.** – The Grantee shall be liable to pay **all taxes and other fees** prescribed by the City of Muntinlupa. The assessment shall be without prejudice to the subsequent impositions as may be adopted or hereafter may be required by law or ordinance. Failure on the part of the grantee to promptly and regularly comply with said tax obligations shall be a ground for the **automatic revocation or cancellation of this franchise.**

**SECTION 8. Other Gambling Activities.** – All gambling games of any kind shall at any time be hereby prohibited at the premises of the off-site business operation. The managers or lessee/s of such off-site business and the violators of this provision shall be prosecuted and held criminally liable under the provision of existing laws.

**SECTION 9. Prohibition against Minors.** – No person less than **twenty-one (21) years of age** shall be allowed inside the premises of **off-site cockpit betting station** at any time. The operator, manager or licensee shall be responsible for strict compliance with these rules and any violation thereof is punishable by suspension or cancellation of this franchise without prejudice to criminal prosecutor under existing ordinance or laws.

**SECTION 10. Anti-Fraud Measures.** – The **Office of the City Mayor** shall adopt such measure as to obviate the use of fraudulent means or manipulation in all aspect of cockfighting. Persons employing means or manipulation shall be prosecuted against in accordance with our penal laws as may be warranted by the prevailing circumstances.

Any breach and/or circumvention of any conditions set in this ordinance, shall be cause for the suspension or revocation of the issued **eSabong Gaming License.**

**SECTION 11. Duration** – The license and franchise to operate and maintain hereby grant to **United Association of Cockpit Owners and Operators of the Philippines, Inc.,** shall be **for five (5) years per venue** from the date of approval of this ordinance.

**SECTION 12. Repealing Clause.** – All ordinance not consistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 13. Effectivity Clause.** – This Ordinance, upon approval, shall take effect after ten (10) days from publication in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant to Section 59 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

**ENACTED,** by the **9<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa** this **18<sup>th</sup>** day of **January, 2021,** on its **80<sup>th</sup>** Regular Session.

CONCURRED:

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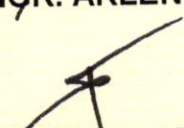
  
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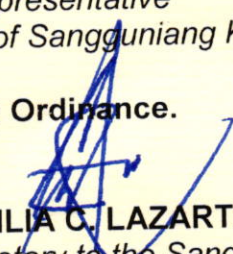
  
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I HEREBY CERTIFY, as to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance.

  
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