REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD LUNGSOD NG ORMOC

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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE FIFTEENTH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL, ORMOC CITY HALL BUILDING ON JANUARY 18, 2022

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PRESENT:

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Joan Marbie C. Simbajon, Ex-Officio SP Member, Chapter President, Panlungsod na Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan ng Ormoc

ON LEAVE:

Roiland H. Villasencio,

SP Member, 1.st Asst. Majority Floor Leader

PREFATORY STATEMENT

WHEREAS, the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic are still very much felt in the economy and particularly adversely affecting the members of the business community:

WHEREAS, Article 2, Section 15 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution in relation to Section 16 of the Local Government Code (RA 7610), mandate and charge Local Government Units to promote the health and safety of all within their respective territorial jurisdictions. As such, they must take the lead in the prevention, mitigation, preparedness for, and containment Covid-19 and its ill effects not only on the health sector but also as well on the economy;

WHEREAS, Section 192 of RA 7610 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provides that Local Government Units may, through a duly approved ordinance, grant tax exemptions, incentives or reliefs under such terms and conditions as they may deem necessary. The extension of time to accept payments of taxes or charges falls within the purview of reliefs;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod is in receipt of an endorsement from the Mayor relative to extending the time for payment of the business permit fees, without surcharges or penalties, for the calendar year 2022, consistent with Section 4 of Tax Ordinance No. 2018-001, which endorsement from the Mayor was also prompted by a letter-request coming from the Business Permits and Licensing Office to extend said payment deadline;

WHEREAS, the present circumstances and events brought about by the Covid-19 pandemic make it necessary and appropriate to grant the extension of time for accepting payments of local taxes and charges by the City Government of Ormoc from business owners without incurring interest, penalties, fees or other charges;

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WHEREAS, Section 4 of Tax Ordinance No. 2018-001, allows for the Sangguniang Panlungsod to grant an extension in the payment of yearly business fees for justifiable reasons or causes;

WHEREAS, there is an urgency and need for the Ormoc City Government thru this Sangguniang to come in aid and assistance to the business community by acceding to this request for an extension of said deadline as the community has been severely-affected by the still ongoing effects of the global pandemic resulting in severe business losses;

WHEREFORE, on joint motions of SP Member Tomas R. Serafica, Chairman, Committee on Ways & Means and SP Member Nolito M. Quilang, Chairman, Committee on Trade, Commerce and Industry, severally seconded by SP Members Esteban V. Laurente, Joan Marbie C. Simbajon, Gregorio G. Yrastorza, III. Vincent L. Rama and Lalaine A. Marcos; be it

RESOLVED, to enact:

(Series of 2022)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EXTENSION OF THE TIME TO PAY SANITARY PERMIT FEES AND MAYOR'S PERMIT FEES, UNTIL MARCH 04, 2022, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022.

BE IT ENACTED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in its session duly assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TIME. - This Ordinance shall be referred to as "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EXTENSION OF THE TIME TO PAY SANITARY PERMIT FEES AND MAYOR'S PERMIT FEES, UNTIL MARCH 04, 2022, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022".

SECTION 2. COVERAGE. This Ordinance shall be applicable to the Permit Fees for the calendar year 2022 and falling due on January 20, 2022 as per Tax Ordinance No. 2018–001.

Tax Ordinance No. 2018-001, the time of payment of the permit fees prescribed under Tax Ordinance No. 2018-001 for calendar year 2022 shall be extended and moved from January 20, 2022 to the later date of March 04, 2022, without any penalties or surcharge.

SECTION 4. WAIVER OF SURCHARGES AND PENALTIES FROM JANUARY 21, 2022 TO MARCH 4, 2022. All payments for permit fees made from January 21, 2022 until March 04, 2022 as prescribed under Tax Ordinance No. 2018-001 shall not be made subject of any and all surcharges and/or penalties.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. All Ordinances and/or Resolutions, or portions thereof, inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If for any reason, any provision, portion or part of this Ordinance is found to be inconsistent with any law, other provisions or part or parts thereof not so affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

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Ord. No. 082, S. 2022

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval and after compliance with necessary posting and publication requirements of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

ENACTED, January 18, 2022.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to furnish copies of this resolution each to His Honor, the City Mayor Richard I. Gomez, the City Administrator, the City Treasurer, the Business Permits Licensing Office, the City Budget Officer, the City Accountant, the City Auditor; the Office of the Building Official; the City Planning and Development Office; the Ormoc City Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Inc. and other offices concerned;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above ordinance.

MARIA ANY ONIETA G. CO HAT Secretary to the

Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

LEQ CARMELO L. LOCSIN, JR. City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

RICHARD I. GOMEZ City Mayor

(Date)