REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD LUNGSOD NG ORMOC

VICE MAYOR'S OFFICE FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF

SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD AT THE HO PLACIDO ENECIO HALL, SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD -BUILDING ON APRIL 24, 2008

PRESENT:

UNGSOD

Hon. Nepomuceno P. Aparis I,

Hon. Sotero M. Pepito,

Hon. Demosthenes F. Tugonon,

Hon. Ruben R. Capahi,

Hon. Mariano Y. Corro,

Hon. Fe S. Lladoc,

Hon. Filomeno P. Maglasang,

Hon. Rafael C. Omega, Jr.,

Hon. Fernando P. Parrilla,

Hon. Jose C. Alfaro, Jr.,

Hon. Corinne M. Corro,

Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer City Councilor, Assist. Floor Leader

City Councilor

Ex-Officio City Councilor,

SK Faderation President

ABSENT:

Hon. Claudio P. Larrazabal,

(Special Leave), City Councilor,

Floor Leader

Hon. Lea Doris C. Villar,

(Special Leave), Ex-Officio

City Councilor, Chapter President, Liga ng mga Barangay ng Ormoc

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-074

A RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY URGING THE MANAGEMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS) AND THE SECURITY SYSTEM (SSS) TO UP-GRADE THEIR SOCIAL BENEFITS, ESPECIALLY RETIREMENT BENEFITS, SO AS TO CUSHION THE DETRIMENTAL EFFECTS OF THE ECONOMIC CRISIS NOW THREATENING THE COUNTRY.

WHEREAS, the cost of living nowadays has gone-up brought about by the sparing prices of essential commodities;

WHEREAS, the pension benefits now received by pensioners of the GSIS and the SSS are inadequate to answer their daily basic needs, as a consequence thereof;

WHEREAS, pensioners of both GSIS and SSS are practically dependent on the pensions that they receive for their sustenance;

WHEREAS, the present economic situation in our country has brought a unanimous clamor of workers, both in the government and private sectors for an increase in their salaries and wages, which fortunately and understandably, has met the favorable and admirable reactions of their respective employers;

WHEREAS, Rule V, Section 13, par. (b) of the Rules and Regulations Implementing Rep. Act No. 9257, otherwise known as the "EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2003", provides:

"Retirement benefits of retirees both government and the private sector shall be regularly reviewed to ensure continuing responsiveness and sustainability, and to the extent practicable and feasible, shall be upgraded to be at par with the current scale enjoyed by those in active service"

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WHEREAS, to give life, meaning and substance to the aforequoted provision, it is therefore, under the present economic circumstances, imperative that the retirement pensions of both GSIS and SSS be upgraded accordingly;

FOREGOING PREMISES CONSIDERED, on MASS MOTION of the Body; be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to pass a resolution RESPECTFULLY URGING THE MANAGEMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS) AND THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM (SSS) TO UP-GRADE THEIR BENEFITS ESPECIALLY RETIREMENT BENEFITS, SO AS TO CUSHION THE DETRIMENTAL EFFECTS OF THE ECONOMIC CRISIS NOW THREATENING THE COUNTRY;

ADOPTED, April 24, 2008.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to furnish copies of this resolution to - The President of the Republic of the Philippines. Her Excellency Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, The Senate President, Hon. Manuel Villar, The Speaker of the House of Representative, Hon. Prospero Nograles, The President and Chief Executive Officer of GSIS, Non. Winston F. Garcia, The President and Chief Executive Officer of SSS, Non. Corazon Dela Paz, City Mayor of Ormoc, Hon. Eric C. Codilla, The President of the Federation of Senior Citizens in Ormoc City, and others concerned;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

ELIZABETA C. BANEZ OIC - Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:

NEPOMUCENO P. APARTS I Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer