

REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
LUNGSOD NG ORMOC

DATE JUL 20 2009

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE ELEVENTH
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD AT THE HONORABLE
PLACIDO ENECIO HALL, SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
BUILDING ON JULY 16, 2009

PRESENT:

Hon. Nepomuceno P. Aparis I,	Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer
Hon. Claudio P. Larrazabal,	City Councilor, Floor Leader
Hon. Sotero M. Pepito,	City Councilor, Assist. Floor Leader
Hon. Demosthenes F. Tugonon,	City Councilor
Hon. Ruben R. Capahi,	City Councilor
Hon. Mariano Y. Corro,	City Councilor
Hon. Fe S. Lladoc,	City Councilor
Hon. Filomeno P. Maglasang,	City Councilor
Hon. Rafael C. Omega, Jr.,	City Councilor
Hon. Fernando P. Parrilla,	City Councilor
Hon. Jose C. Alfaro, Jr.,	City Councilor
Hon. Lea Doris C. Villar,	Ex-Officio City Councilor,
	Chapter President, Liga ng mga Barangay ng Ormoc

ABSENT:

Hon. Corinne M. Corro, (On Leave), Ex-Officio City Councilor,
SK Federation President

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-142

A RESOLUTION EARNESTLY URGING THE CONCERNED
PERSONS/ESTABLISHMENTS TO COMPLY WITH THE MANDATE OF
THE SENIOR CITIZENS LAW (RA 7432 AS AMENDED BY RA
9257), AND LIKEWISE, THE OFFICE OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS
AFFAIR (OSCA) TO CLOSELY MONITOR COMPLIANCE OF THE LAW,
AND TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS AGAINST THE VIOLATORS
THEREOF.

WHEREAS, it is a matter of public knowledge that compliance of the
Senior Citizens Law is very minimal, notwithstanding that the said law
was enacted in 1992, yet, and its constitutionality upheld by the
Supreme Court in the case of "CARLOS SUPERDRUGSTORE CORP., ET AL versus
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT, ET AL";

WHEREAS, the Senior Citizens Law provides numerous privileges and
benefits to the elderly, in terms of giving discounts on their purchases
of certain goods and services, and provision of EXPRESS LANES in all
commercial and government establishments, and in the absence thereof,
PRIORITY shall be given to them; (Sec. 4, par. (m) of RA 9257)

WHEREAS, it is observed that in big commercial establishments, like
supermarkets, the provision of EXPRESS LANE is a must for the
convenience of the elderly or at least priority should be given to them,
lest they will have to follow the long-line of customers which will take
several minutes before they could be attended. Such a sight is really
pitiful! Unfortunately, there are only two establishments in the City,
which have EXPRESS LANE for the elderly;

WHEREAS, the Office of the Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) created
under City Ordinance No. 137 on October 31, 2007, is charged in
monitoring compliance of the Senior Citizens Law, and must therefore see
to it that the law is complied with, and to take appropriate actions
against the violators thereof;

WHEREAS, the concerned persons/establishments should take note and remember that the law imposes stiff penalties for the violators thereof, including the possible cancellation or revocation of their business permits;

WHEREAS, in the words of former Senate President Jovito Salonga, in the matter of complying the Senior Citizens Law, they (concerned persons/establishments) should follow "the rule of law instead of the rule of convenience";

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

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to pass a resolution EARNESTLY URGING THE CONCERNED PERSONS/ESTABLISHMENTS TO COMPLY WITH THE MANDATE OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS LAW (RA 7432 AS AMENDED BY RA 9257), AND LIKEWISE, THE OFFICE OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS AFFAIR (OSCA) TO CLOSELY MONITOR COMPLIANCE OF THE LAW, AND TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS AGAINST THE VIOLATORS THEREOF;

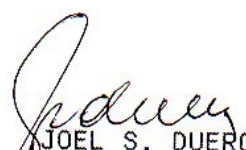
ADOPTED, July 16, 2009.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to furnish copies of this resolution to concerned persons and establishments, specially, DRUG STORES, DEPARTMENT STORES, RESTAURANTS, and to require them to acknowledge the receipt thereof, which shall be furnished to the Office of the Senior Citizens Affair (OSCA) for reference purposes;

RESOLVED, FINALLY, to furnish copies of this resolution - Honorable City Mayor Eric C. Codilla, City Administrator Dr. Dennis Y. Capuyan, City Legal Officer/City Prosecutor, Atty. Clinton Nuevo, DILG City Director Jesus Horca, CSWDO Ms. Marietta Legaspi, OSCA Head, Mrs. Fe Into, and others concerned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.


JOEL S. DUERO
Secretary to the
Sangguniang Panlungsod

ATTESTED:


NEPOMUCENO P. APARIS I
Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer