

REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD LUNGSOD NG ORMOC



EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE THIRTEENTH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG ORMOC HELD AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL, ORMOC CITY HALL BUILDING ON JUNE 04, 2015

PRESENT:

Hon. Leo Carmelo L. Locsin, Jr.

Hon. Rolando M. Villasencio,

Hon. Tomas R. Serafica,

Hon. Mario M. Rodriguez

Hon. Ruben R. Capahi,

Hon. Benjamin S. Pongos, Jr.,

Hon. Antonio M. Codilla,

Hon. Vincent L. Rama,

Hon. Pedro Godiardo P. Ebcas,

Hon. Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga,

Hon. John Eulalio Nepomuceno O. Aparis II,

Hon. Mariano Y. Corro,

Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

SP Member, Majority Floor Leader

SP Member, Asst. Majority Floor Leader

SP Member, Presiding Officer "Pro-Tempore" SP Member, Asst. Minority Floor Leader

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Chapter President, Liga ng mga Barangay ng Ormoc

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-108

A RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY URGING THE HONORABLE CITY MAYOR EDWARD C. CODILLA TO DIRECT ALL CONCERNED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES TO EXTEND SPECIAL PRIVILEGES TO SENIOR CITIZENS, PERSONS DISABILITIES AND PREGNANT WOMEN IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE **EMERGENCY** SHELTER ASSISTANCE (ESA) BENEFITS.

WHEREAS, in their delicate state, senior citizens, persons with disabilities and pregnant women deserve special concern and care from all sectors;

WHEREAS, our Constitution itself mandates that there shall be priority for the needs of the elderly and disabled persons;

WHEREAS, in response to the said mandate, Republic Act 9994 otherwise known as the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010" and Republic Act 7277 otherwise known as the "Magna Carta for Disabled Persons" were enacted, both aiming, among others, to recognize the rights of senior citizens and disabled persons to take their proper place in the society and make it a concern of the family, community and the government;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 9442, which amends the Magna Carta for Disabled Persons, and Republic Act 9994 both provides for the entitlement of senior citizens and the persons with disability to express lanes in all commercial and government establishment, and in the absence thereof, priority shall be given to them;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 9710 otherwise known as "The Magna Carta of Women" provides in pertinent part that women have the right to protection and security in times of disasters, calamities, and other crisis situations especially in all phases of relief, recovery, rehabilitation, and construction efforts; and responses to disaster situations shall include the provision of services, such as psychosocial support, psychological health, and comprehensive health services, including protection during pregnancy;

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WHEREAS, in the implementation and distribution of Emergency Shelter Assistance (ESA), the Local Government of Ormoc deems it proper that senior citizens, persons with disabilities and pregnant women be provided with utmost care, respect and priority in accordance with the mandate of the Constitution and existing laws;

WHEREAS, being the local chief executive of the City, the Mayor is primarily tasked in the smooth, efficient and orderly implementation and distribution of the ESA benefits and this includes the authority to formulate supplemental guidelines therefor;

WHEREAS, this august Body respectfully and most earnestly urges the Honorable City Mayor, Edward C. Codilla to direct all concerned officials and employees to grant all Senior Citizens, PWDs and pregnant women the following privileges in the distribution of their claims and benefits of the Emergency Shelter Assistance (ESA) Program, to wit:

- (1) Allocate space for senior citizens, PWDs and pregnant women who are transacting business, in connection therewith by providing comfortable seats in offices and agencies where they may be required to appear in the processing of said claims;
- (2) Priority in the processing of said claims;
- (3) PRIORITY LANE exclusively for said sectors to facilitate the distribution of their ESA claims by putting visible markings or signage that reads: "Senior Citizens/PWDs/Pregnant Women Lane or Area Only";
- (4) Utmost countesy and due respect in dealing with any senior citizen, PWD and pregnant women, avoiding any loud voice which is uncalled for as well as unnecessary comments as these tantamount to disrespect to these vulnerable persons.

WHEREAS, the passage of this resolution is one positive step in further improving the condition and welfare of the Senior Citizens, PWDs and pregnant women;

WHEREFORE, all premises considered, on joint motion of Honorable SP Member Vincent L. Rama, Chairman, Committee on Social Welfare, Senior Citizens, Women and Family and Honorable SP Member Benjamin S. Pongos, Jr., Chairman, Committee on Laws and Ordinances, severally seconded by Honorable SP Members Rolando M. Villasencio, Tomas R. Serafica, Ruben R. Capahi, Antonio M. Codilla, Pedro Godiardo P. Ebcas, Eusebio Gerardo S. Penserga, John Eulalio Nepomuceno O. Aparis II and Mariano Y. Corro; be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to pass "A RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY URGING THE HONORABLE CITY MAYOR EDWARD C. CODILLA TO DIRECT ALL CONCERNED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES TO EXTEND SPECIAL PRIVILEGES TO SENIOR CITIZENS, PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND PREGNANT WOMEN IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE EMERGENCY SHELTER ASSISTANCE (ESA) BENEFITS";

ADOPTED, June 04, 2015.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to furnish copies of this resolution each to the City Mayor, Hon. Edward C. Codilla; the City Administrator; the City Treasurer; the Head, City Social Welfare and Development Office, Mrs. Marietta S. Legaspi; the Head, Office for Senior Citizens Affairs Head; and other offices and parties concerned for their information, guidance and preference;

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

JOEL S. DUERO Secretary to the Sangguniang Rankingsod

ATTESTED:

LEO CARMELO L. LOCSIN, JR. Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer