



Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Sorsogon  
**CITY OF SORSOGON**



*Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod*

**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTH CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE SESSION HALL ON DECEMBER 10, 2019.**

**PRESENT:**

**HON. MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA**  
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

**BACON DISTRICT**

Hon. Jo Abegail C. Dioneda  
Hon. Danilo A. Deladia

**EAST DISTRICT**

Hon. Ralph Walter R. Lubiano  
Hon. Mary Ellen D. Jamisola  
Hon. Franco Eric O. Ravanilla

**WEST DISTRICT**

Hon. Nestor J. Baldon  
Hon. Fernando David H. Duran, III

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

SK Fed. Pres. Lorenz S. Abenion

**ABSENT:**

Hon. Hilario D. Dioneda  
Hon. Melchor P. Atutubo  
Hon. Joven G. Laura  
Hon. Erwin J. Duana  
Hon. Rebecca D. Aquino - On official business  
ABC Pres. Ma. Teresa D. Perdigon – On official business

***Resolution No. 229, Series of 2019***

(Proponent: City Councilor Erwin J. Duana)

**RESOLUTION ENACTING AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING INSURANCE BENEFITS TO ALL REGISTERED SENIOR CITIZENS IN THE CITY OF SORSOGON AND APPROPRIATING FUND THEREOF FOR THE PURPOSE.**

**WHEREAS**, it is the mandate for the local government unit to exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied there from, as well as the powers necessary, appropriate or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

**WHEREAS**, under the Republic Act No. 9994 otherwise known as the “Expanded Senior Citizen Act of 2010”, the City Government of Sorsogon is mandated to adopt measures whereby our senior citizens are assisted and appreciated by the community as a whole and to establish a program beneficial to the senior citizens, their families and the rest of the community they serve;

**WHEREAS**, under Article XV, SECTION 4 of the Constitution it further declares that it is the duty of the family to take care of its elderly while State may design programs and social security for them;

**WHEREAS**, the City Government of Sorsogon recognizes the fact that our senior citizens contributed so much and plays great role for the progress and development that Sorsogon City has achieved thus far, and it is deemed necessary to show our sincere to show our sincere gratitude and respect for them;

**WHEREAS**, considering that our senior citizens who are considered part and plays important role to our history up to the time of their demise, there is a need to give an additional benefits to their families in the form of accidental and natural death insurance assistance for them;

**WHEREAS**, foregoing premises considered and after due deliberation on the matter, the seventh City Council of the City Government of Sorsogon, deemed it necessary to pass a resolution enacting an ordinance providing insurance benefits to all registered senior citizens in the City of Sorsogon and appropriating funds for them;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of **Hon. Mary Ellen D. Jamisola**, duly seconded, by **Hon. Franco Eric O. Ravanilla**, resolve, as it is hereby resolved to enact an ordinance providing insurance benefits to all registered senior citizens in the City of Sorsogon and appropriating fund thereof for the purpose.

## *City Ordinance No. 019, Series of 2019*

### **AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING INSURANCE BENEFITS TO ALL REGISTERED SENIOR CITIZENS IN THE CITY OF SORSOGON AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF FOR THE PURPOSE**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SEVENTH SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD IN SESSION DULY ASSEMBLED THAT:**

**SECTION 1. TITLE** – This ordinance shall be known as “SORSOGON CITY SENIOR CITIZEN INSURANCE BENEFITS ORDINANCE OF 2019.”

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY** – It is the policy of the Sorsogon City Government to adopt measures whereby our senior citizens are properly and immediately assisted and appreciated by the community as a whole, and to establish programs beneficial to the senior citizens, their families and the rest of the community they serve, by virtue of the objectives of Republic Act. 994, otherwise known as the “Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010.”

**SECTION 3. OBJECTIVE** – This ordinance aims to provide and extend insurance benefits as a form of welfare assistance during untimely and inevitable events such as death or accident to the family of the senior citizen whether they are considered indigent or non-indigent in the City of Sorsogon.

**SECTION 4. COVERAGE** – All senior citizens in the City of Sorsogon upon reaching the age of 60 (Sixty) duly registered as senior citizen in the Office of the Senior Citizen Affairs (OSCA) shall be entitled and will be insured by the said office for accidental and natural death insurance policy. For natural death, senior citizen will be entitled of an insurance of a minimum of Five-Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) and for the accidental death insurance will be guaranteed to them in the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Pesos (25,000.00). Such amount may be increase subject to the terms and conditions of the insurance company that will ensure all the senior citizen of the City. However, it will not preclude LGU’s already granting burial assistance to continue giving such benefits to indigent or non-indigent citizens.

**SECTION 5. PROCESSING OF CLAIMS** – No claim for Insurance benefit assistance shall be processed unless the following requirements are submitted to the Office of the Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) of Sorsogon City.

1. Senior Citizens I.D. of the deceased senior citizen issued by the Sorsogon City Office of the Senior Citizen Affairs (OSCA);
2. Photocopy of the Death Certificate of the deceased senior citizen;
3. Sufficient identification and proof of relationship of the claimant and/beneficiary. The Marriage Contract shall be presented by the surviving spouse, if the deceased is married; and
4. Such other documents which may deemed necessary.

**SECTION 6. CLAIMANTS** – The insurance benefit assistance shall be payable only to the legal spouse who survives the deceased senior citizen upon presentment of the former of their Certificate of Marriage. Provided, however, that where no spouse survives the decedent or if the decedent is not married, the assistance shall be limited to relatives in the following order of degree of kinship; children (legitimate or illegitimate), parents, brothers or sisters, grandparents, grandchildren, uncles and aunts.

**SECTION 7. BUDGETARY REQUIREMENT** – A budget of at least Five Million (P5,000,000.00) pesos shall be appropriated annually for the implementation of this ordinance and it shall be taken from the general fun of the City allocated for the program, programs, and activities of registered senior citizens residing in Sorsogon City, subject to the availability of funds. Such budget may be increased or augmented as necessary, subject to an appropriation ordinance.

**SECTION 8. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS** – The office of the City Mayor may issue subsequent implementing Rules and Regulations for the effective implementation of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 9. SOURCE OF FUNDS** – A budget of at least Five Million (P5,000,000.00) pesos shall be appropriated annually under the Office of the City Mayor for the implementation of this program. Such budget may be increased or augmented as necessary, subject to an appropriation ordinance.

**SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE** – If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue in full force and effect.

**SECTION 11. REPEALING CLAUSE** – All ordinances, local issuances or rules inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY** – This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the Sangguniang Panlungsod and after compliance with the law on public dissemination and publication.

**DATE APPROVED: December 10, 2019**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the foregoing resolution and ordinance.

  
**NOEL G. DREU**  
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod

**Attested:**

  
**MARK ERIC C. DIONEDA**  
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

**Approved:**

  
**MA. ESTER E. HAMOR**  
City Mayor