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CITY OF SORSOGON



Office of the Sangguniang Panlungsod

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE FIFTH CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE SESSION HALL ON JANUARY 26, 2016.

PRESENT:

HON. NESTOR J. BALDON
ABC President/Temporary Presiding Officer

WEST DISTRICT

Hon. Rogelio J. Jebulan, Sr.

EAST DISTRICT

Hon. Joven G. Laura
Hon. Mary Ellen D. Jamisola
Hon. Ralph Walter R. Lubiano

BACON DISTRICT

Hon. Iñigo D. Destacamento
Hon. Emmanuel D. Diolata
Hon. Hilario D. Dioneda

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER

ABSENT: Hon. Ma. Charo Dichoso – Logronio – Sick Leave
Hon. Aldin V. Ayo
Hon. Fernando David H. Duran III
Hon. Pedro A. Ravanilla
Hon. Florencio J. Jamisola, Jr.
Hon. Roque D. Divina – On Official Business

Resolution No. 019, Series of 2016

(Author: Hon. Iñigo D. Destacamento)

RESOLUTION ENACTING AN ORDINANCE HONORING AND GRANTING FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO ALL CENTENARIANS IN THE CITY OF SORSOGON

WHEREAS, the state as well as the city government of Sorsogon gives importance to elders in adherence to Article XIII Section II of our constitution provides that the state shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach towards better health development giving priority to the elderly;

WHEREAS; consistent with the above mentioned constitutional principles as enunciated in R.A. 7432 as amended by R.A. 9257 and further amended by R.A. 9994 which gives additional benefits to the senior citizens, recognizes the contribution of senior citizens as an integral part of nation-building and further supports the improvement of the total well-being of the elderly and their full participation in the society;

WHEREAS; elders who attain centennial years have fewer benefits received, thus additional privilege must be introduced by giving incentives to those who reached the milestone and historic age;

WHEREAS, there is a need to propose an ordinance honouring and recognizing the contributions of the senior citizens in the history and development of the city of Sorsogon and also being a role models for living long and aging well;

WHEREAS, a major indicator of the level of residents in the city's human development is life expectancy at birth when human population lives healthy and consequently long lives;

WHEREAS, every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied there from; as well as powers necessary, appropriate or incidental for its efficient and effective governance and those which are essential to the *promotion of the general welfare*. Within their respective territorial jurisdiction, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, *improve public morals*, enhance economic prosperity and social justice, maintain peace and order and *preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants*;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Iñigo D. Destacamento, duly seconded by the Hon. Hilario D. Dioneda, resolve, as it is hereby done to enact an ordinance honoring and granting financial incentives to all centenarians in the City of Sorsogon.

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 001, SERIES OF 2016

AN ORDINANCE HONOURING AND GRANTING FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO ALL CENTENARIANS IN THE CITY OF SORSOGON

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE 5TH CITY COUNCIL of the City of Sorsogon in session duly assembled that:

SECTION 1 TITLE

This ordinance shall be known as "SORSOGON CITY CENTENARIAN FINANCIAL INCENTIVE OF 2016".

SECTION 2 STATEMENT OF POLICIES

Pursuant to Article XV, Section of the Constitution, it is the duty of the family to take care of its elderly members while the state may design programs of social security for them. In addition to this, Section 10 in the Declaration of Principles and State Policies provides: "The state shall provide social justice in all phases of national government". The City of Sorsogon shall adhere to these principles by providing any means to facilitate the needed assistance of the elders.

SECTION 3 DEFINITION OF TERMS

For purposes of this ordinance, these terms are defined as follows:

- a. CENTENARIANS – any living person who reached his/her 100th year birthday;

- b. **NATURAL-BORN RESIDENTS** – persons who were born and permanently resident of the city of Sorsogon. For purposes of this ordinance, natural born residents are those whose father or/and mother were residents of Sorsogon City at the time of his/her birth; and
- c. **PERMANENT RESIDENTS** – persons who were not born in the City of Sorsogon but permanently reside in the City of Sorsogon for the past five (5) years.

SECTION 4 COVERAGE

The program is entitled to all natural-born and permanent residents of Sorsogon City who shall on the occasion of his or her **One Hundredth (100th) birthday** and/or **Pre and Post-Centenarian birthday** who are still living.

SECTION 5 FINANCIAL INCENTIVES

- **FOR CENTENARIANS:**
 - a) **Twenty Thousand (P20,000.00) Pesos** and a **Plaque of Recognition** for natural born and permanent resident of the city of Sorsogon.
 - b) **Fifteen Thousand (P15,000.00) Pesos** and a **Plaque of Recognition** for permanent resident of the city of Sorsogon.
- **FOR PRE-CENTENARIANS (AGES 90th to 99th YEARS OLD):**
 - a. For 90th years of age - One Thousand (P1,000.00) Pesos;
 - b. For 91st years of age - Two Thousand (P2,000.00) Pesos;
 - c. For 92nd years of age - Three Thousand (P3,000.00) Pesos;
 - d. For 93rd years of age - Four Thousand (P4,000.00) Pesos;
 - e. For 94th years of age - Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos;
 - f. For 95th years of age - Six Thousand (P6,000.00) Pesos;
 - g. For 96th years of age - Seven Thousand (P7,000.00) Pesos;
 - h. For 97th years of age - Eight Thousand (P8,000.00) Pesos;
 - i. For 98th years of age - Nine Thousand (P9,000.00) Pesos; and
 - j. For 99th years of age - Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) Pesos.
- **POST CENTENARIANS (AGES 101st ONWARDS):**
 - a) **Gratuity in Perpetuity** which entitles the centenarian awardees for a yearly assistance of **Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) Pesos** starting on their 101st birth anniversary and every year thereafter until death.
 - b) In case of death of the herein awardees occurred during the 6th month or onward after his/her last birthday, he/she can still receive the monetary reward in an amount as herein prescribed in the next preceding paragraph as death benefits/burial assistance and a posthumous award shall be given to the nearest surviving relatives of the benefactors.

SECTION 6 SCREENING COMMITTEE

For this purpose, a screening committee shall be constituted that will perform the screening of awardees, to wit:

- a) Chairperson:
City Mayor
- b) Members:
City Civil Registrar
City Social Welfare and Development Officer
City Federation President of Senior Citizens

SECTION 7 QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

For purposes of this ordinance, all qualified awardees shall present any of the following documents:

- a) Birth Certificate/Baptismal Certificate (Original);
- b) Certification coming from the Barangay Chairman that awardees is a bonafide and actual resident of the barangay in Sorsogon City (Original);
- c) Voters Identification Card; and
- d) Senior Citizen's Identification Card duly authenticated by the OSCA of City of Sorsogon.

In case the Senior Citizen has no proof of identification to be presented, an Affidavit of Two Disinterested Person duly notarized shall be submitted thereof.

SECTION 8 AWARDING OF RECIPIENTS

All living natural-born and permanent-resident centenarians who reached their **One Hundredth (100th) birthday** and above prior to the effectivity of this ordinance shall be honored. Benefits/assistance shall be awarded during the celebration of Elderly Filipino Week which shall be held on the first week of October of every year.

Further, benefits prescribed under Section 5 hereof for pre-centenarian shall likewise be issued during such celebration.

SECTION 9 APPROPRIATION

There shall be an annual appropriation in the annual budget of the city government of Sorsogon in the amount of **Five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) Pesos** for the implementation of the program.

SECTION 10 REPEALING CLAUSE

All ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations, or any part(s) thereof which are inconsistent with any provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11 SEPARABILITY CLAUSE


If any reason or reasons, any part or provision of this ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provision hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

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 of publication.

DATE APPROVED: January 26, 2016

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.


NESTOR J. BALDON
ABC President /
Temporary Presiding Officer

Attested:


NEREO RONIE N. SIROY
Assistant Secretary to the
Sangguniang Panlungsod

Approved:


SALLY A. LEE
City Mayor