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ORDINANCE NO. SP- 3277 , S-2024

AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN OF QUEZON CITY WITH AT LEAST 1 CHILD-CARING INSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER SOCIAL WELFARE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY WITH THE SIMILAR PURPOSE FOR OUTREACH PROGRAMS LOCATED WITHIN THE AREAS OF JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY

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WHEREAS, Section 13, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution states that: "The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs";

WHEREAS, Powers and Functions of Sangguniang Kabataan under Chapter 8, Section 426(b) of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code, states that: "Initiate programs designed to enhance the social, political, economic, cultural, intellectual, moral spiritual, and physical development of members";

WHEREAS, Paragraph 2, Section 2, Chapter 1 of Republic Act No. 10742 otherwise known as the Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015 states that: "Towards this end, the State shall establish adequate, effective, responsive and enabling mechanisms and support systems that will ensure the meaningful participation of the youth to local governance and nation-building";

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WHEREAS, according to Republic Act No. 10742, otherwise known as the Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015, Chapter II, Section 8(d) Powers and Functions of Sangguniang Kabataan – The Sangguniang Kabataan shall initiate and implement, in coordination with any national government agency and/or any private or non-government institution, programs and projects designed to promote general welfare, development and empowerment of the youth;

WHEREAS, according to UNICEF, there are 153 million orphans globally. Every day, approximately 5,700 more children become orphans, that is 1.4 million a year. Every 22 seconds, a child is orphaned;

WHEREAS, as of 2022 there are roughly 38.3 million children in our Country, who were orphaned, abandoned, neglected and abused;

WHEREAS, one of the solutions was the establishment of Child-Caring Institutions to temporarily care for the abandoned, neglected and abused children until there is a new home for them;

WHEREAS, these child caring institutions need constant source of income to operate and manage the daily needs of the children/orphans under their care and the orphanage itself;

WHEREAS, through their outreach program the Sangguniang Kabataan of each barangay may be able to help in supporting children under the care of the Caring Institutions;

WHEREAS, the support from the Local Government Unit will uplift the lives of our children under the care of Child-Caring Institutions or any other Social Welfare Development Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. TITLE. – This Ordinance shall be known as the "Partnership between the Sangguniang Kabataan and Child Caring Institutions or other Social Welfare Development Agency with the similar purpose for an Outreach Program".

SECTION 2. COVERAGE. – All 142 barangays within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City shall be covered by the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. – For purposes of this Act, the following terms are hereby defined:

(a) DSWD - refers to the Department of Social Welfare and Development of the City.

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- (b) Orphans refer to parentless individuals;
- (c) Outreach Program refers to the Program intended to help, uplift and support those who are deprived of certain services and rights such as but not limited to mental health programs, emotional support, self-improvement program, sports and wellness projects, skills training, educational assistance programs and activities that address context-specific and intersectional vulnerabilities of young people among others;
- (d) Accredited/Licensed by the Department of Social Welfare and Development refers to individuals or organizations that have been granted accreditation by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) in the Philippines to provide social welfare services;
- (e) Child-Caring Institution refers to an institution that takes care of abandoned, neglected and abused children temporarily until a legal adoption is processed to give the orphan a new home and family. These shall include the orphanage, reception and action centers, shelters, house of refuge, kalinga, foundations, and other terms with the similar purpose;
- (f) Social Welfare Development Agency refers to an organization that works to improve the well-being of individuals and communities through various social programs, policies, and interventions. These agencies may be governmental, non-governmental, or faith-based, and they typically focus on addressing social problems such as poverty, inequality, and discrimination. Social welfare development agencies provide a range of services; and
- (g) Sangguniang Kabataan refers to an organization composed of a Chairperson and 7 members who shall be elected by the registered voters of the Katipunan ng Kabataan as defined in Republic Act No. 10742.

SECTION 4. MANDATORY ADOPTION. – The Sangguniang Kabataan shall adopt and enter into a partnership with at least 1 Child-Caring Institution or any other Social Welfare Development Agency within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City for the purpose of outreach program within the power prescribed to the Sangguniang Kabataan under the law.

SECTION 5. REGISTRATION OF CHILD-CARING INSTITUTIONS. – All Child-Caring Institutions within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City must register their existence with the Department of Social Welfare and Development and Barangay and Community Relations Department. The DSWD shall maintain a list of accredited Child-Caring Institutions in Quezon City.

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The DSWD shall furnish a copy of the list of Child-Caring Institutions to the Social Services Development Department and Barangay and Community Relations Department. Barangay and Community Relations Department will be responsible in disseminating the directory of the Child-Caring Institutions to the Sangguniang Kabataan.

SECTION 6. ADOPTION OF CHILD-CARING INSTITUTIONS. – Each Sangguniang Kabataan shall adopt a Child-Caring Institution or any other Social Welfare Development Agency, prioritizing those located in their barangay. If there is no Child-Caring Institution or any other Social Welfare Development Agency in the barangay, the Sangguniang Kabataan may adopt 1 registered Child-Caring Institution or any other Social Welfare Development Agency within their district's territorial jurisdiction. If there is no registered Child-Caring Institution or any other Social Welfare Development Agency in the district or the registered Child-Caring Institutions or any other Social Welfare Development Agency is already adopted by another Sangguniang Kabataan, the Sangguniang Kabataan may adopt 1 within the territorial jurisdiction of the City.

SECTION 7. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN. – Each Sangguniang Kabataan shall provide support to their adopted Child-Caring Institution or any other Social Welfare Development Agency within their allowed powers under existing laws. The Sangguniang Kabataan may provide outreach programs such as mental health programs, emotional support, self-improvement program, sports and wellness projects, skills training, educational assistance programs and activities that address context-specific and intersectional vulnerabilities of young people among others.

SECTION 8. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CHILD CARING INSTITUTIONS. – The Child-Caring Institutions must regularly update the City through their partner Sangguniang Kabataan the number of orphaned, abandoned, neglected and abused children under their care and other relevant information necessary to craft the program for their benefit.

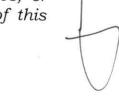
SECTION 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. – If any portion or provision of this Ordinance is declared void or unconstitutional, the remaining portions thereof shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 10. REPEALING CLAUSE. – Any previous ordinances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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SECTION 11. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. – This Ordinance shall take effect 15 days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City and its posting at the entrance of the Quezon City Hall and 2 other conspicuous places in the City.

ENACTED: March 18, 2024.

MARIA ELEANOR "Doc Ellie" R. JUAN, O.D. City Councilor
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III City Government Department Head III (City Council Secretary)

APPROVED: __APR 1 9 2024

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on March 18, 2024 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading under Suspended Rules on the same date.

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III City Government Department Head III (City Council Secretary)