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Quezon City 20th City Council

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AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING FOR A STANDARD BURIAL ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING TEN THOUSAND PESOS (P10,000.00) FOR INDIGENT RESIDENTS OF QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors ALLAN BUTCH FRANCISCO, MARRA SUNTAY, VICTOR V. FERRER, JR., DIORELLA MARIA G. SOTTO, IVY XENIA L. LAGMAN, GIAN G. SOTTO AND

ESTRELLA C. VALMOCINA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Lena Marie P. Juico, Elizabeth A. Delarmente, Oliviere T. Belmonte, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ramon P. Medalla, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Roderick M. Paulate, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Kate Abigael G. Coseteng, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Marvin C. Rillo, Raquel S. Malangen, Hero Clarence M. Bautista, Jose A. Visaya, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Julienne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Godofredo T. Liban II, Andres Jose G. Yllana, Jr., Marivic Co-Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Donato C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina and Ricardo B. Corpuz.

WHEREAS, the Social Services and Development Department has determined the maximum amount of Three Thousand Pesos (P3,000.00) as burial assistance for indigent Quezon City residents; A

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WHEREAS, there is a need to update the said ordinance by way of prescribing decent funeral services as the standard funeral package and burial assistance for Quezon City indigent residents to make it more responsive to the needs of our constituents;

WHEREAS, "burial assistance" shall be pegged at Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000.00) as the maximum assistance to be given by the Quezon City Social Services Development Department (SSDD), and this shall include the provision of an ordinary white casket, the transport of the corpse, embalming and funeral wake for seven (7) days and interment.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. DEFINITION OF TERMS – the terms and phrases as used in this ordinance shall mean the following:

- (a) Indigent Family shall mean families or individual persons living on their own who earn a combined or individual monthly income of less than Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) and who do not own personal properties worth more than Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000.00) as certified by the Punong Barangay in their respective locality.
- (b) Funeral Services refer to the preparation of funeral documents, embalming, burial and/or interment, including the provision of casket and wake services.

SECTION 2. GRANT OF STANDARD BURIAL ASSISTANCE FOR INDIGENT FAMILIES – An amount in the form of discount not exceeding Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000.00) shall be granted to each indigent family by accredited funeral homes by the Social Services and Development Department (SSDD).



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The grant of a discount under this ordinance is without prejudice to the right of the beneficiary to avail of other financial assistance given outside of the Quezon City Government.

SECTION 3. REQUIREMENTS FOR AVAILING DISCOUNT – Before an indigent family can avail of the discount for funeral services, the following documents shall be prepared for submission: a) Certified True Copy of Death Certificate, b) Funeral Contract, c) Certificate of Indigency from the Barangay that they belong to an indigent family as defined under Section 1. Provided, however, that the certification shall not be a requirement before any member of the family of the deceased could avail of the services of the funeral parlor.

SECTION 4. REIMBURSEMENT — City accredited funeral homes granting funeral services discounts to indigent families shall reimburse the cost of the discount from the SSDD upon approval of the head of office provided that proper certification as to the veracity of the claim is certified true and correct by the SSDD.

SECTION 5. IMPLEMENTATION – The Social Services and Development Department (SSDD) shall implement the provisions of this ordinance and provide the necessary implementing rules and regulations to carry out the objectives of this ordinance.

SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE – If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the Ordinance or the provision/s not otherwise affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. REPEALING CLAUSE – Any ordinance, executive order or issuances, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

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SECTION 8. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE – This Ordinance shall take effect Fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation and posted in at least three (3) conspicuous places in Quezon City, in compliance with Section 59, Chapter 3, Title II, Book 1 of the Local Government Code of 1991 (Republic Act No. 7160), as amended.

ENACTED: July 31, 2017.

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE Vice Mayor Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III

APPROVED: 3 0 AUG 20

RBERT M. BAUTISTA City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on July 31, 2017 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on August 14, 2017.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS SALFEROS III

Y City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III