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WHEREAS, under Article II, Section 15 of 1987 Philippine Constitution, it is stated that it is the policy of the State to protect and promote the right to health of every person;

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WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 23 of the Philippine Constitution provides that in times of national emergency, the Congress may, by law, authorize the President for a limited period and subject to such restrictions as it may prescribe, to exercise powers necessary and proper to carry out a declared national emergency;

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WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has officially declared the corona virus (COVID 19) disease as a pandemic;

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WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 11332, Section 7 provides that the President of the Philippines shall declare a State of Public Health Emergency in the event of an epidemic of national/international concern which threatens national security in order to mobilize government and non-government agencies to respond to the threat;

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WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020 President Rodrigo Roa Duterte signed Proclamation No. 922 to declare a state of public health emergency for the entire Philippines due to COVID-19;

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WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020 - Proclamation No. 929, Series of 2020 was issued declaring a State of Calamity throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19, as well as declaring the Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) for entire Luzon, with social distancing as a crucial part of the ECQ;

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WHEREAS, Executive Memorandum dated March 13, 2020 is a directive to institutions including local government units to adopt stringent social distancing measures and other guidelines in order to prevent the spread of the corona virus.



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NOW THEREFORE, be it **ORDAINED** as it is hereby **ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Panlungsod ng Pasig, in session duly assembled, the following:

SECTION 1. TITLE.

This ordinance will be known as 'Ordinance on Strict Measures on Social Distancing and Other Precautionary Measures Against the Spread of COVID 19 and for Other Purposes in Pasig City'.

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.

The City Government of Pasig, recognizing the grave threat to health, security and lives to its constituents of the pandemic COVID 19, strongly resolves to adopt even gargantuan measures in various forms in the pursuit of defeating the pandemic within its jurisdiction. In line with this, the City Government is and has been adopting creative measures within the ambit of the directives of the national government for the purpose. The City Government puts emphasis on the importance of people's behaviour *vis a vis* the fight against the pandemic. Social and physical distancing is upheld as a primary measure to prevent or stop the disease.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

1. Mass gathering refers to a planned or spontaneous event where the number of people attending could strain the planning or response resources of the city where the event is held. This includes movie screenings, sports events, concerts and other entertainment activities, community assemblies and non-essential work-related gatherings.
2. Social distancing refers to the strict maintenance of at least one (1) meter radius distance between and among people in attendance during the entirety of the event.
3. Enhanced Community Quarantine refers to strict home quarantine where people are required to stay at home, transportation shall be suspended, provision for food and essential health services shall be regulated and heightened presence of uniformed personnel to enforce the instructions for social distancing.
4. High risk groups for COVID-19 refer to older adults, pregnant women and other people who have chronic medical conditions.
5. Government offices refer to the physical structures or buildings where the different offices of the City Government and Barangays are conducting their business/work.



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6. Business establishments refer to the stationary physical structures or buildings where various commercial activities are being held by the private sector. In this ordinance separate discussions are made for markets, transportation businesses.

SECTION 4. STRICT SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES AND OTHER RELATED PRECAUTIONARY ACTIONS

All persons in Pasig City, either natural or juridical, shall abide by the following courses of action, including but not limited to:

4.1 Enhanced Community Quarantine shall be imposed. All persons shall be required to stay at home at all times, all means of public transportation shall be regulated, provision of food and essential health services shall be regulated, and there will be heightened presence of uniformed personnel in all public places to enforce instructions on social distancing.

4.2 All classes and all school activities shall remain suspended during the period of Enhanced Community Quarantine or until the beginning of School year 2020-2021, whichever comes later. Public and private universities and other training institutions shall provide adequate arrangements to allow students to fulfil their school requirements while staying at home.

4.3 All students are required to stay at home. The Pasig City Government with the assistance of DepEd Pasig Division shall ensure that this is strictly implemented.

4.4 Mass gatherings in all places, public or private, and for any purpose, shall be strictly prohibited.

4.6 Alternative working arrangements in the public sector which includes but not limited to work-from-home, compressed work week, staggered working hours, creation of skeletal work forces shall be implemented in the executive offices. All members of the PNP, health and emergency frontline services shall continue full operation. Personnel in the legislative offices are encouraged to adopt the policy for the executive offices as their own work requirements would demand. The Human Resource Office with the assistance of the enforcement personnel shall monitor the implementation including the observance of strict social distancing during work hours.

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4.7 Flexible working arrangements shall be encouraged in the private sector. For essential work – related activities, pertinent guidelines and directives from the Department of Labor and Employment and Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) shall apply. It shall be the responsibility of these regulatory agencies to ensure that social distancing is observed during work hours.

4.8 All markets and similar establishments such as groceries, talipapa are required to adopt strict social distancing measures within their facilities to prevent and contain the widespread transmission of the COVID-19 disease.

4.9 All transport terminals as well as public and private means of transportation shall adopt strict social distancing measures within their facilities and vehicles to prevent the widespread transmission of COVID-19 disease.

SECTION 5. PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AND GUIDELINES FOR SPECIFIC ESTABLISHMENTS IN TANDEM WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES FOR THE PREVENTION OF THE SPREAD OF COVID 19

5.1 Business establishments, Government and Private Offices, Malls, Hospitals, Schools and all other enclosed establishments are required to observe the following but not limited to the enumerated precautionary measures for the prevention of the spread of COVID-19:

- a. Regulate the number of people visiting the establishment at any time during the operating hours in order that social distancing can be observed.
- b. No face mask, No entry policy.
- c. Strictly no handshake, no contact greetings.
- d. Ensure the availability of alcohol and/or hand sanitizer in entry and exit of the establishment.
- e. Provide thermal scanner to monitor the temperature of all persons entering the establishment.
- f. All employees and other workers in the establishments are required to wear face masks while on duty.
- g. Ensure that there is soap and water in the restrooms or washrooms.
- h. Ensure regular cleaning and disinfecting of offices, spaces in the establishment that are accessible to the public.
- i. Do other safety precautions to ensure containment of the COVID-19 transmission



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5.2 Markets, Talipapa and similar food stores are required to observe the following but not limited to the enumerated precautionary measures for the prevention of the spread of COVID-19:

- a. Regulate the number of people visiting the establishment at any time during the operating hours in order that social distancing can be observed.
- b. All customers and sellers are required to wear face masks.
- c. As much as possible, provide thermal scanner to monitor the temperature of the customers at the entrances of the market.
- d. Provide soap and water in the restrooms and washrooms
- e. Ensure regular cleaning and disinfecting of the entire area of the market.
- f. Maintain cleanliness inside the market area.
- g. Provide deposit area and appropriate segregation bins for garbage.
- h. Provide adequate lighting and ventilation.
- i. Do other safety precautions to ensure containment of the COVID-19 transmission.

5.3 PUVs and other Transport Vehicles are required to observe the following but not limited to the enumerated precautionary measures for the prevention of the spread of COVID-19:

- a. Regulate the number of passengers in order that social distancing can be observed
 - a.1 All public utility vehicle operators, drivers shall not allow more than half of their vehicle seating capacity including driver and conductor, with no standing passenger.
 - a.2 All passengers of jeepney, bus, van, taxi and the likes are encouraged to observe "One seat apart passenger rule" to avoid close contact among passenger inside their vehicle.
- b. All passengers and drivers are required to wear face masks at all times
- c. All public utility vehicle operators, drivers and conductors shall ensure and maintain proper sanitation and cleanliness of their vehicles and their premises on a daily basis and to provide alcohol or hand sanitizer dispensers for the use of their passengers.
- d. Driving motorcycle with back ride is prohibited.
- e. All passengers of tricycle, E-bike, E-trike and pedicab are required to sanitize before boarding the vehicle.

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- f. Owners, operators, drivers/conductors of PUV including tricycles, E-bikes, E-trikes, pedicabs are required to disinfect their vehicles before leaving the terminal and after each route to handrails, seats and every contact point of the vehicle.
- g. Provide trash bins inside the vehicle.
- h. All PUV drivers and conductors are required to cooperate and strictly observe PNP and DOH protocols and procedures.
- i. All owners, operators, drivers/conductors of vehicles are required to implement other precautionary measures that can contribute to the prevention of transmission of the COVID 19 disease.

SECTION 6. SPECIAL PRECAUTIONARY AND PROTECTION MEASURES FOR HIGH RISK GROUPS OF THE POPULATION

Special care shall be provided to members of the population who are at high risk for contracting the corona virus and as well as suffer worse consequences when they do. They are persons aged 65 years and older, pregnant women and those with chronic lung ailment or severe asthma, with serious heart conditions, diabetes, and chronic kidney and liver ailments.

Their regular requirements for treatment and maintenance of health conditions shall be filled in by the public health workers and health facilities of the city. The first line of care shall be having them stay at home if treatment requires check up. If possible and available, use of online consultation like TeleMed is encouraged in order that they are protected from contracting the COVID 19 virus.

However, if they need to visit health facilities, the attending health workers shall be ensuring that social and physical distance is strictly maintained during their treatment and will be protected by virtue of Inter Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease Resolution No. 12 Series of 2020, dated 13 March 2020, that the following guidelines shall be adopted to ensure the well being and safety of everyone to wit:

6.1 Restrict the entry of non-essential people to the contained areas or facility especially the persons who are at high risk of being infected except (a) medical personnel, (b) authorized government officials, (c) persons providing basic services and utilities and (d) essential skeletal workforce.

6.2 Prevent the non-essential exit of people out of the contained area or facility except (1) health workers, (b) authorized government officials, and (c) those granted entry based on provisions in 6.1.

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SECTION 7. MANDATORY REPORTING OF COVID-19 AND NOTIFIABLE DISEASES AND HEALTH EVENTS OF PUBLIC CONCERN –

All sectors and entities mentioned in this ordinance are mandated to educate and inform their employees and subordinates regarding COVID-19, its symptoms and manifestations as well as of other notifiable diseases and other health issues which are of public concern and that they be observant thereof. They are required to report the occurrences or observations immediately to the City Health Office.

SECTION 8. PENALTIES

Any person or entity who will be found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be meted a penalty of Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) and/or imprisonment of six (6) months upon the discretion of the proper court.

If the violator is a minor, the parents or guardian shall be held liable and serve the corresponding penalty.

In the event that a business establishment or any such entity commits the offense, the chief executive officer, president, manager, owner or such other officer thereof shall be held liable. In addition to the penalty of Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00), the business permit or license to operate of the establishment shall be suspended or cancelled after due notice and hearing.

SECTION 9. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND PROCEDURES

The City Mayor shall order the establishment of the Implementing Rules and Procedures for this Ordinance, if and when he see such as necessary.

Otherwise, the City Mayor is authorized to create a Task Force on Social Distancing with all the necessary powers and authority order to implement the various provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 10. FUNDING

Any such amount necessary to properly and effectively implement this ordinance shall be taken from the City Health Office, Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office, other related offices and such other funds not yet appropriated.

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SECTION 11. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE

If for any reason that any part of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a competent court, the remaining sections or provisions not affected shall continue to be in full force and effect. If there should there be future pronouncements by any entity of the national government that affect the precautions herein, the affected sections or provisions shall be adjusted or amended accordingly.

SECTION 12. REPEALING CLAUSE

All ordinances, resolutions, rules or regulations inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

The provision of this Ordinance are in line with the pronouncements of the Inter-Agency Task Force on COVID-19. In the event that there will be changes or amendments at the national level, the affected provision of this Ordinance shall follow suit

SECTION 13. EFFECTIVITY

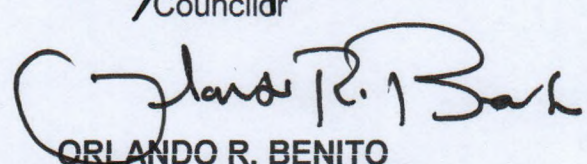
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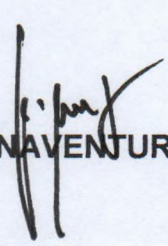
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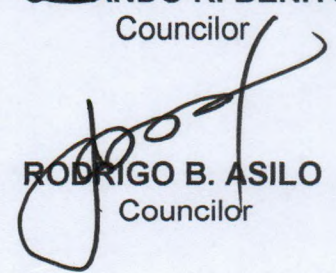

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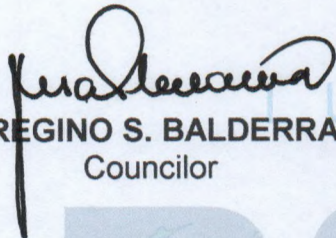


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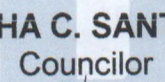
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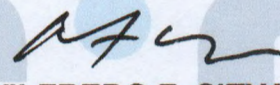
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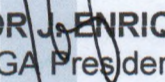
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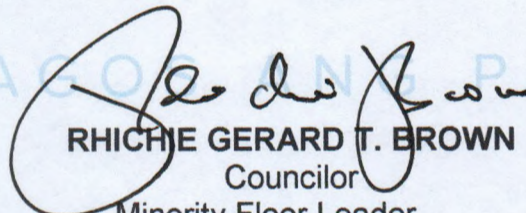

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