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City Government of Pasig

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AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SAFE AND CHILD-FRIENDLY SPACE AT THE PASIG CITY MEGA MARKET, APPROPRIATING NECESSARY FUNDS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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WHEREAS, several national laws on the establishment of child-friendly spaces particularly in emergency situations have been enacted;

WHEREAS, the United Nations Convention on the Rights of a Child encourages the promotion of child-friendly local governance wherein local government units give priority to children in local planning, budgeting and legislation;

WHEREAS, several Local Government Units including the City of Pasig has been implementing programs and services promoting children's rights to survival, development, protection and participation towards a child-friendly nation;

WHEREAS, several recognitions and awards have been conferred to the City of Pasig such as the Seal for Child-Friendly Local Governance or Regional Conferment of Child-Friendly City, Fully-Functional Status or Standard for the functionality of our Local Social Welfare Development Office, Outstanding facility of our Barangay-managed Day Care Center and the accreditation of our hospital as Mother-baby friendly facility, among others;

WHEREAS, to strengthen our programs and services and to provide equal access to the privileges and benefits provided by the city to the children, the establishment of child-friendly space at the Pasig City Mega Market is hereby proposed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF PASIG CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. Title. - This Ordinance shall be known as "Pasig City Safe and Child-friendly Space Ordinance".

SECTION 2. Declaration of Polices and Principles. - It is hereby declared to be the policy of the City of Pasig to effectively promote, fully enhance and institutionalize the protection, development and participation of children's rights within the framework of integrated and sustainable programs.

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It is also the policy of the city to serve the welfare of the children consistent with holistic protection and approach and the engagement of teachers, parents, civil society organizations and barangay leaders to work together to create a child-friendly community for the implementation of its programs.

SECTION 3. Definition of Terms. - For purposes of this Ordinance, the following shall mean:

- (a) Children/Child - refers to a person below eighteen (18) years of age, or those over 18 years but is unable to fully take care of himself or protect himself/herself from abuse, neglect, cruelty, exploitation or distribution or discrimination because of a physical or mental disability or condition.
- (b) Child-friendly space – refer to spaces where communities create nurturing environments for children to access free and structured, play and recreation, leisure and learning activities.
- (c) Development rights - pertain to the access of the child to educational opportunities, access to relevant information, play, leisure, cultural activities and the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion.
- (d) Participation rights – pertain to the child's freedom to express oneself in matters affecting his/her life, his/her rights to freely express their thoughts and views.

SECTION 4. Establishment. – A safe and child friendly space is hereby established at the Pasig City Mega Market. This safe and child-friendly space shall be an area that can strengthen children's internal and external support systems by offering socializing and play activities with peers in a supervised environment. This safe space can help improve the child's psychosocial well-being by strengthening and nurturing children's cognitive, emotional and social development.

The advancement of children's growth and development is one of the objectives for the establishment of the safe and child friendly space. Service providers are tasked to facilitate children's progress in aspects of development. This can be achieved through proper assessment and care of children under their supervision, integration of developmental, educational activities complementary with other developmental services.

SECTION 5. Coverage. – The safe and child friendly space shall be for the use of the children of members of the Market Vendors Association of the Pasig City Mega Market.



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SECTION 6. Funding.- The amount for the refurbishing and renovation including operational expenses for the Safe and Child-friendly space, including other needed resources, shall be taken from available funds in the City Treasury, subject to the usual government accounting rules and regulations.

SECTION 7. Implementing Rules and Regulations. - The Pasig City Council for the Protection of Children (PCCPC) in coordination with the city's Social Welfare Department shall formulate the implementing rules and regulations necessary for the effective and efficient implementation of this Ordinance within thirty (30) days upon approval of this Ordinance.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause. - Should any provision of this Ordinance or any part thereof be declared invalid, the other provisions, insofar as they are separable from the invalid ones, shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. Repealing Clause. - All ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. Effectivity. - This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED, this 13th day of **March 2023** at Pasig City.

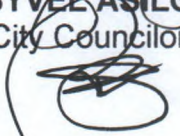

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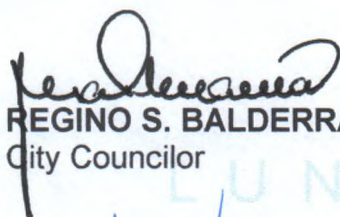


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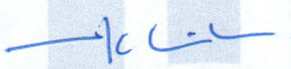

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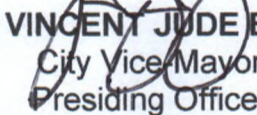

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