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AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING SUPPORT FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL BIBLE WEEK ON THE LAST WEEK OF JANUARY OF EVERY YEAR IN PASIG CITY.

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WHEREAS, it is a policy of the State to promote and protect the general welfare of its citizens, which includes, among others, strengthening their moral, spiritual, and social well-being;

WHEREAS, former President Rodrigo R. Duterte, through Presidential Proclamation No. 124, declared the month of January of every year as National Bible Month, culminating in the last week of January as the National Bible Week;

WHEREAS, the celebration of the National Bible Week has been the subject of previous Presidential Proclamations, specifically: Proclamation No. 2242, (President Ferdinand E. Marcos), Proclamation No. 44, s. (President Corazon Aquino, and Proclamation No. 1067 (President Fidel V. Ramos);

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Proclamations were made to give national attention to and acknowledge the impact and influence of the Bible as a source of life-giving principles aiding the development of a values-oriented, morally strong and socially responsible citizenry;

WHEREAS, as written in Presidential Proclamation No. 124, "while maintaining neutrality in its treatment of all religious communities, the government is not precluded from pursuing valid objectives secular in character even if it would have an incidental result affecting a particular religion or sect";

WHEREAS, in 2018, Republic Act (RA) No. 11163, or the National Bible Day enacted, declaring the last Monday of January of every year as "National Bible Day" and proclaiming the same as a special working holiday;

WHEREAS, RA No. 11163 was enacted to "recognize the value of the Holy Bible as the core of Christian faith" in a predominantly Christian nation, pursuant to the policy of the State to "aid and encourage development of the moral character and spiritual foundation of the Filipino people";

WHEREAS, the local adoption of a National Bible Week, to include the National Bible Day, is consistent with the importance bestowed by the series of Presidential Proclamations recognizing a week as an ample period of time to appreciate the lessons and values imparted by the Bible;

WHEREAS, the Pasig City Government supports the efforts of the national government to develop and strengthen the ethical, moral, and spiritual values of the Filipino people by appreciating the Bible as a source of inspiration "to work for the betterment of their fellow human beings even at great cost to themselves";

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

SECTION 1. CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL BIBLE WEEK - The last week of January of every year is declared as National Bible Week in Pasig City. All barangays of the city are encouraged to participate in the celebration of the National Bible Week by participating in the activities of their local inter-faith groups and relevant non-government organizations based in Pasig City.

The Pasig City Government shall support national events in conjunction with the annual observation of the National Bible Month in January and the National Bible Day on the last Monday of January of every year.

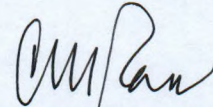
SECTION 2. REPEALING CLAUSE - All other ordinances, resolutions, orders circulars and regulations or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed, amended, and/or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. SEPARABILITY - If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

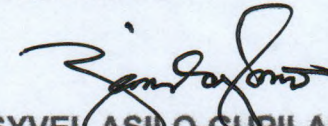
SECTION 4. EFFECTIVITY - This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.


APPROVED, this 29th day of **January 2024** at Pasig City.



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City Councilor

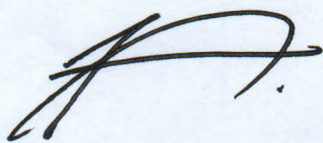

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