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SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
City Government of Pasig

Ordinance No. 14
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AN ORDINANCE FURTHER AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 47, SERIES OF 2023, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PASIG CITY PAG-ASA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM".

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WHEREAS, Section 17 of the 1987 Constitution declares that it is a policy of the State to give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture, and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development;

WHEREAS, Section 4.1 of Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution provides for the State's recognition of the complementary roles of public and private institutions in the educational system;

WHEREAS, Section 458(5)(xi) of Republic Act No. 7610, or the Local Government Code of 1991, empowers the Sangguniang Panlungsod to pass or approve ordinances which shall ensure the efficient and effective delivery of the basic services and facilities which includes establishing a scholarship fund for the poor but deserving students in schools located within its jurisdiction or for students residing within the city;

WHEREAS, pursuant to this policy, in Batas Pambansa Blg. 232, or the Education Act of 1992, the State established an integrated system of education to promote the right of every individual to relevant quality education, regardless of sex, age, creed, socio economic status, physical and mental conditions, racial or ethnic origin, political or other affiliation;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11291 or the Magna Carta of the Poor, recognizes that one of the fundamental rights of the poor is the Right to Relevant and Quality Education which is crucial to attain the full development of the human person;

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Welfare and Development, established the "Listahanan Talaan ng Pamilyang Nangangailangan" to identify and target the poorest households in the country so that they can be given assistance through various social welfare programs;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) had indicated that the Philippines faces a shortage of approximately 127,000 nurses, which is mirrored by the current plight of the various health service institutions in Pasig City that remain beset with a reported shortage in nurses;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Pasig continues to recognize a prevailing concern that the foremost challenge to a pursuit of higher education is financial limitations and economic hardship and that there is a need for the City Government to provide a scholarship program which aims to prioritize its poor but deserving students;





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WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 47, Series of 2023, otherwise known as the "Pasig City PAG ASA Scholarship Program", was approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod on 26 July 2023 and was subsequently amended by Ordinance No. 56, Series of 2023;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4 of Ordinance No. 47, series of 2023, as amended, the Pasig City Scholarship awarded to each beneficiary shall not exceed Thirty-Five Thousand Pesos (Php35,000) per semester, subject to increase by the Board to account for extraneous circumstances or conditions such as inflation, etc.;

WHEREAS, there appears to be a need to further amend said Ordinance in view of (1) the growing financial costs of the nursing degree program, which is among the identified priority programs of the Pasig City PAG-ASA Program, as well as (2) further efforts to institutionalize measures of ensuring that quality tertiary education is provided to all Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholars, and (3) the fundamental goal of fostering a strong sense of patriotism and service among the Pasig City PAG-ASA Program Scholars;

WHEREAS, numerous Pasigueño learners as well as their families have expressed to the City Government of Pasig their desire to pursue higher learning after completion of their secondary education to equip themselves with more knowledge, skills, and expertise needed for gainful employment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Pasig, in session duly assembled, that:

Section 1. Section 4 of Ordinance No. 47, series of 2023, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 4. Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship Program. The City Government of Pasig hereby establishes the "Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship Program" to help defray the cost of tertiary education or any portion thereof to qualified Pasigueño learners who shall enroll in priority undergraduate programs of private HEIs and priority TVET programs of private TVIs in the City of Pasig.

The Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship Program shall be administered by the Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship Program Board ("Board") and the amount necessary to fund the Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship Program shall be included in the annual budget of the City of Pasig; *Provided*, that prioritization shall be given to students in the following order: (a) learners who are part of households included in the latest

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Listahanan, ranked according to the estimated per capita household income; and (b) students not part of the latest *Listahanan* ranked according to estimate household income based on submitted documentation of proof of income to be determined by the Board.

The Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship Program shall cover the following:

- (a) Tuition and other school fees in priority programs in private HEIs and private TVIs in the City of Pasig; and
- (b) a fixed allowance for books, supplies, and miscellaneous personal expenses for the entire duration of the priority program admitted to and enrolled in by the Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship Program scholar.

The Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship awarded to each beneficiary shall not exceed Thirty-Five Thousand Pesos (Php35,000) per semester; Provided that, for beneficiaries admitted to a Bachelor of Science in Nursing program, the Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship awarded to each beneficiary shall not exceed Fifty-Six Thousand Pesos (Php56,000) per semester; Provided, further that, both foregoing rates may be subject to increase by the Board to account for extraneous circumstances or condition such as inflation, etc."

Section 2. Section 5 of Ordinance No. 47, series of 2023, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 5. Eligibility. In order to be considered for the Pasig City PAG ASA Scholarship Program, an applicant must satisfy all of the following criteria:

- (a) Must be a Filipino citizen;
- (b) Must be a bona fide resident of the City of Pasig for at least two (2) years prior to the deadline of submission of requirements;
- (c) Inclusion of household in the *Listahanan* or monthly household income must be not more than Thirty Thousand Pesos (Php30,000);





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- (d) Must have been successfully admitted as either an incoming first year student to any of the priority programs under the Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship Program or as an incoming first, second, third or fourth year student to a priority program in Nursing under the Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship Program; Provided, that the said priority programs are offered in a CHED-accredited private HEI or TESDA-accredited private TVI located in the City of Pasig; Provided further that the private HEI or private TVI also has an existing Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Pasig pursuant to Section 10 of this Ordinance;
- (e) With good moral character and without any derogatory record; and
- (f) Not presently enjoying any scholarship or study grant.

Only one (1) member in the immediate/ nuclear family shall be granted a Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship during any given semester or school year. Subject to the rules of the other existing scholarship programs in the City Government of Pasig, one (1) family member may be granted a Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship simultaneously with another family member who is a beneficiary of another scholarship program in the City Government of Pasig.

Should the fund allocation be insufficient to accommodate all applicants in a given period, utmost priority and consideration shall be given to applicants from families belonging to the national government's Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program or 4Ps."

Section 3. Section 9 of Ordinance No. 47, series of 2023, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

"Section 9. Community Service and Return Service. Scholars shall render community service to the City of Pasig during the duration of the scholarship. Should a scholar fail to render such mandatory community service, the scholarship may be discontinued. There should also be a Return Service Agreement between the LGU and the Scholar stipulating a 24-month return service at the end of the scholarship or upon graduation and, for this purpose, the City Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into the necessary Return Service Agreement with the scholar to carry out the purposes of this provision."

Section 4. A new provision is hereby introduced to be inserted after Section 10 of Ordinance No. 47, series of 2023, as amended, and this new provision shall be read as follows:





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Section 11. Regular Assessment Test. All scholars shall undergo two assessment tests during their inclusion in the Pasig City PAG-ASA Scholarship Program: first, after successful admission into the Pasig City Scholarship Program; and second, after the second semester of the second year of their respective programs."

Section 5. The succeeding sections of Ordinance No. 47, series of 2023, as amended, are hereby renumbered accordingly.

Section 6. Separability Clause. – Should any portion or provision of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other parts or provisions thereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 7. Repealing Clause. – All ordinances, executive orders, rules and regulations, and parts thereof, in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 8. Effectivity. – This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its approval and publication.

APPROVED, this 11th day of **March 2024** at Pasig City.


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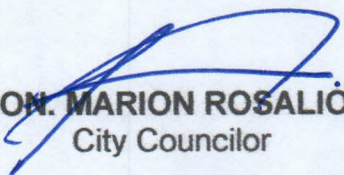

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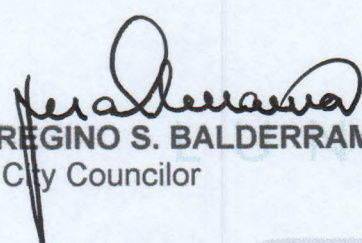


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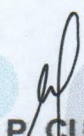
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