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PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO SP- , S-2025

AN ORDINANCE MANDATING ALL BARANGAYS IN QUEZON CITY TO ESTABLISH A PERSONS WITH DISABILITY (PWD) DESK AND/OR DESIGNATE A PERSONS WITH DISABILITY (PWD) FOCAL PERSON TO SERVE AS COORDINATOR WITH THE QUEZON CITY PERSON WITH DISABILITY AFFAIRS OFFICE (QC-PDAO).

Introduced by: Councilor Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D.

WHEREAS, Section 11, Article III of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all people at affordable cost and that priority shall be given for the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, woman and children;

WHEREAS, Section 40 (b) of Republic Act No. 7277, as amended by Republic Act No. 10070, requires the organization and establishment of a Person with Disability Affairs Office (PDAO) in all local government units which shall be the lead office in the enhancement of the health, physical fitness and economic and social well-being of Person With Disabilities (PWDs) within the territorial jurisdiction of the establishing local government;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Council enacted Ordinance No. SP-2085, S-2011, organizing and establishing the Quezon City Persons with Disability Affairs Office (QC-PDAO) in accordance with section 40 (B) (1) of Republic Act No. 7277, otherwise known as the "Magna Carta for Person with Disability" as amended by Republic Act No. 10070 and Republic Act No. 9442;

WHEREAS, as per Local Budget M' morandum No. 67 dated June 28, 2013 of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM). "LGUs shall likewise include PPAs that can be attributed and built-in within the budget level for the Person with Disabilities pursuant to Republic Act No. 7277";

WHEREAS, the Department of Interior and Local Government issued Memorandum Circular No. 2021-041, dated 8 April 2021, strengthening the functionality of Person with Disability Affairs Offices and Persons with Disabilities Focal Person:

WHEREAS, in order to intensify the full implementation of City Ordinance No. 2085, S-2011 and the above-cited DILG Memorandum Circular, especially at the Barangay level, as well as to ensure consideration of DBM Memorandum No. 67 in the LGU Budget process, there is a need to establish a PWD Desk in and/or designate a PWD focal person in all barangays of Quezon City:

## NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE - This ordinance shall be known as the "Quezon City Barangay Persons with Disability (PWD) Focal Person Ordinance".

SECTION 2. PURPOSE – The purpose of the Barangay Person with Disability (PWD) Desk or Focal Person is for a more proper coordination between barangays with the City Government, through the Quezon City Person with Disability Affairs Office (QC-PDAO), ensuring effective and efficient facilitation of services and access of information to promote the welfare and well-beings of the PWDs.

SECTION 3. FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES OF BARANGAY PERSON WITH DISABILITY AFFAIRS DESK OR FOCAL PERSON. The Barangay Focal Person shall carry out the following functions and duties:

- a. Implement policies, plans and programs for the promotion of the welfare of PWDs in coordination with the Quezon City- Person with Disability Affairs Office (QC-PDAO);
- b. Serve as the PWD Affairs advocate in the Barangay;
- c. Recommend and enjoin the participation of non-government organizations and people's organization in the implementation of all disability-related laws and policies;
- d. Submit an annual plan of activities for inclusion in the budgetary allotment for review and approval of the Barangay Council as per DBM Local Budget Memorandum No. 67 pursuant to R.A No. 7277;
- e. Act as advisor to the Punong Barangay and community officials on matters concerning PWD;
- f. Gather and compile relevant data on PWDs in the barangay;
- g. Disseminate information including, but not limited to programs and activities for PWDs, including children with disability, and training and employment opportunities for PWDs;
- Participate in various trainings, conference, summits, as part of the programs of the Quezon City government, through QC-PDAO or other private organizations for capacity building and contains education on PWD issues;
- i. Submit reports to the Punong Barangay on a regular basis with regards to the implementation of programs and services relative to PWDs and furnish a copy of such to the QC-PDAO;
- j. Perform such other functions as may be necessary for the promotion and protection of the welfare of the PWDs:

SECTION 4. LOCATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE PERSONS WITH DISABILITY DESK— The Barangay shall allocate and dedicate a space within every Barangay Hall in all Barangays in Quezon City for the use of the Persons with Disability Focal Person, who shall oversee its management, operation, and administration.

SECTION 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE – Should any provision of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or illegal by any court of competent jurisdiction, those parts that are not so declared shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 6.** REPEALING CLAUSE – Any previous Ordinance/s or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Ordinance, are hereby repealed or superseded accordingly.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE - This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ADOPTED: \_\_\_\_\_

Respectfully Submitted:

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