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METRO MANILA COUNCIL

MMC RESOLUTION NO. 20-07
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URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT–NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION (DSWD-NCR) AND/OR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE (DOF) TO REINSTATE THE ORIGINAL NUMBER OF TARGET BENEFICIARIES OF THE SEVENTEEN (17) METRO MANILA LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS FOR PURPOSES OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SOCIAL AMELIORATION PACKAGES IN CONNECTION WITH THE COVID-19 ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE

WHEREAS, arising from the COVID-19 situation in the Philippines, Republic Act No. 11469 ("Bayanihan to Heal As One Act") declared as a national policy that a program for recovery and rehabilitation, including a social amelioration program and provision of safety nets to all affected sectors, be undertaken, among others [Section 3 (e), RA No. 11469];

WHEREAS, pursuant to the above law, the President of the Republic of the Philippines shall have the power to adopt temporary emergency measures to respond to the crisis by: 1) Providing an emergency subsidy to around eighteen (18) million low income households which subsidy shall amount to a minimum of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) to a maximum of Eight Thousand Pesos (Php 8,000.00) a month for two (2) months computed based on the prevailing regional minimum wage rates and subject to the consideration of the subsidy under the current conditional cash transfer program and rice subsidy [Section 4 (c), *ibid.*]; and 2) Ensure that all Local Government Units are acting within the letter and spirit of all the rules, regulations and directives issued by the National Government pursuant to said law while allowing such LGUs to continue exercising their autonomy in matters undefined by the National Government or are within the parameters it has set and are fully cooperating towards a unified, cohesive and orderly implementation of the national policy to address COVID-19 [Section 4 (g), *ibid.*], among others;

WHEREAS, the DSWD-NCR, in coordination with the DOF and the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), will implement social amelioration measures in response to the need of the affected families and individuals during the Enhanced Community Quarantine in Metro Manila due to the COVID-19 outbreak;

WHEREAS, the DSWD-NCR and the DOF initially provided the number of target beneficiaries ("original number of target beneficiaries") of the seventeen (17) Metro Manila Local Government Units for purposes of the distribution of the social amelioration packages in connection with the COVID-19 Enhanced

Community Quarantine but such number was later on reduced ("reduced number of target beneficiaries");

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160 ("Local Government Code of 1991") states in part that the operative principles of decentralization shall be that: 1) There shall be an effective allocation among the different local government units of their respective powers, functions, responsibilities, and resources [Section 3 (a)]; 2) The vesting of duty, responsibility, and accountability in local government units shall be accompanied with provision for reasonably adequate resources to discharge their powers and effectively carry out their functions [Section 3 (d)]; 3) The capabilities of local government units shall be enhanced by providing them with opportunities to participate actively in the implementation of national programs and projects [Section 3 (g)]; and 4) The general welfare provisions of the law [under Section 16 thereof] shall be liberally interpreted to give more powers to local government units in accelerating economic development and upgrading the quality of life for the people in the community [Section 5 (c)];

WHEREAS, Metro Manila has the biggest number of COVID-19 cases (patients, persons under investigation, and persons under monitoring) nationwide as well as the highest number of adversely-affected daily wage earners and numerous extended/multiple families per household by region;

WHEREAS, in the higher interest of preserving public order, public safety, and public health and for the seventeen (17) Metro Manila Local Government Units to effectively perform their duties and functions under the Local Government Code of 1991 in relation of the COVID-19 Enhanced Community Quarantine, there is an urgent need for the DSWD-NCR and/or the DOF to reinstate the original number of target beneficiaries per said Local Government Unit for purposes of the distribution of the social amelioration packages;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Metro Manila Council urges the Department of Social Welfare and Development-National Capital Region (DSWD-NCR) and/or the Department of Finance (DOF) to reinstate the original number of target beneficiaries of the seventeen (17) Metro Manila Local Government Units for purposes of the distribution of the social amelioration packages in connection with the COVID-19 Enhanced Community Quarantine.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND CONFIRMED this 6th day of April 2020 in Makati City, Metro Manila.



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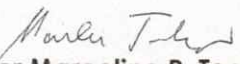

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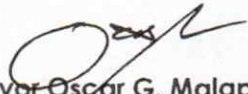

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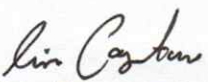

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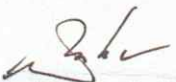

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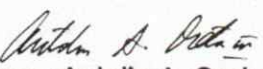

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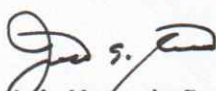

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