AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE POSITION OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGIST IN LIEU OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT TECHNICIAN (X-RAY TECHNICIAN) IN ACCORDANCE WITH BUDGET CIRCULAR NO. 6 PURSUANT TO R.A. 7431, IN THE MANILA HEALTH DEPARTMENT, PROVIDING FOR UPGRADED SALARY, AND HAZARD PAY.

WHEREAS, the right to health is one of the essential rights of the people as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic;

WHEREAS, radiology is presently a growing specialty in the field of medicine; considering its importance in the diagnostic and therapeutic treatment of patients;

WHEREAS, with this development, there has been an introduction of high technology and sophisticated machines and procedures in this field;

WHEREAS, the role of radiologic technologists have become inevitably indespensable in view of the need to operate and maintain the sophisticated and high-tech machines so as to ensure the efficient diagnostic and therapeutic treatment of patients, hence, their task is an integral part of radiological work;

WHEREAS, radiologic technologist, in performing their work, are in turn exposed to the hazards of radiation which is harmful to one's health;

WHEREAS, in national government departments, the position of Medical Equipment Technician has been reallocated to the position of Radiologic Technologist as early as 1992, thereby upgrading the salaries of the position and providing for hazard pay;

WHEREAS, Medical Equipment Technician in the City government of Manila who are working in the Ospital ng Maynila, Ospital ng Tondo, Ospital ng Sampaloc, Gat Andres Bonifacio Memorial Medical Center and in the Manila Health Department, are not included in the coverage of R.A. 7431, hence, they receive lower pay and benefit than their counterparts in the national government though they perform exactly the same work: NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it ordained by the City Council of Manila, THAT:

SECTION 1. The position of Radiologic Technologist in lieu of Medical Equipment Technician (X-Ray Technician) is hereby created in the Ospital ng Maynila, Ospital ng Tondo, Ospital ng Sampaloc, Gat Andres Bonifacio Memorial Medical Center and in the Manila Helath Department, providing for upgraded salary and hazard pay.

- SEC. 2. The guidelines or implementing rules and regulations necessary in order to carry out and implement this Ordinance shall be promulgated by the Manila Health Department within reasonable time from the effectivity of this Ordinance.
- SEC. 3. The Manila $^{\rm H}$ ealth Department shall likewise include the necessary appropriation for the upgrading of salaries/payment of hazard pay to the Radiologic Technologists in the City government.

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SEC. 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

Enacted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session today, February 10, 2000.

Approved by Hid Honor, the Mayor, on March 8, 2000,

APPROVED:

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GERINO A. TOLENTINO, JR. President Pro-Tempore and Acting Presiding Officer City Council,/Manila

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