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## **ORDINANCE NO. 8644**

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL PERSONS ENTERING AND TRANSACTING IN A COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENT, BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT, REGARDLESS OF SIZE, NON-PROFIT, CHARITABLE AND RELIGIOUS ESTABLISHMENTS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, GOVERNMENT OFFICES, LOCAL AND NATIONAL, AND ALL OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS, WHETHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE THAT RENDER SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC, TO WEAR A MASK OR ANY DO-IT-YOURSELF COVER THAT WILL SUFFICIENTLY COVER BOTH THE NOSE AND MOUTH

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## **PREAMBLE**

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that it is the State's policy to protect and promote the right to health of the people;

WHEREAS, Presidential Proclamation No. 922, Series of 2020, was issued declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines in view of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and raised the Code Alert System of COVID-19 to Code Red Sublevel 2;

WHEREAS, Presidential Proclamation 929, Series 2020, further declared a State of Calamity throughout the Philippines and imposed an Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) throughout Luzon from 17 March 2020 to 12 April 2020, unless earlier lifted or extended by the President as circumstances may warrant;

WHEREAS, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases, through its spokesman, Cabinet Secretary Karlo Nograles, announced in a virtual presser held on 2 April 2020, that wearing of face masks, or other similar protective equipment, is now mandatory for people who will be going out of their homes in areas under ECQ, to further minimize the spread of the COVID-19 virus;

WHEREAS, on 1 June 2020, the City of Manila, together with other cities and municipality in the National Capital Region, has been declared to be under General Community Quarantine;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 virus continues to spread despite the downgrade from Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) to Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ) then further to General Community Quarantine (GCQ);

WHEREAS, the use of a face mask in public and all other places outside one's home is still important to curb the spread of the COVID-19 virus to protect the people of the City of Manila: NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. TITLE. - This Ordinance shall be called the "NO MASK NO ENTRY ORDINANCE" for brevity.

- SEC. 2. MANDATORY USE OF FACE MASK IN PUBLIC. All persons who are entering and transacting in a commercial establishment, business establishment, regardless of size, non-profit, charitable, and religious establishments, educational institutions, government offices, local and national, and all other establishments that render services to the public, whether public or private, located within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Manila are hereby MANDATED to use face masks. The face mask must sufficiently cover one's nose and mouth and must be worn at all times.
- SEC. 3. FACE MASKS ALLOWED. Face masks, including earloop masks, indigenous, reusable, do-it-yourself masks, handkerchiefs, or such other protective equipment that sufficiently cover one's nose and mouth and can effectively lessen the transmission of COVID-19.
- SEC. 4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF ESTABLISHMENTS. All commercial or business establishments, regardless of size, non-profit and religious establishments and educational institutions, government offices, local or national, located within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Manila are directed to clearly display in conspicuous places in their establishments "NO MASK NO ENTRY" signs.



These establishments shall be responsible for the implementation of this Ordinance and ensure that people inside their premises are at all times properly wearing face masks sufficiently covering the nose and mouth.

SEC. 5. PENALTIES. - Persons found in violation of this Ordinance shall be refused entry inside the above-mentioned establishments and institutions.

There shall be imposed penalties for persons found in violation of this Ordinance, to wit:

FIRST OFFENSE - One Thousand Pesos (PhP. 1,000.00)
SECOND OFFENSE - Two Thousand Pesos (PhP. 2,000.00)

THIRD AND

SUCCEEDING OFFENSE - Five Thousand Pesos (PhP. 5,000.00)

The following shall be the imposed penalties for establishments found in violation of this Ordinance, to wit:

FIRSTOFFENSE - One Thousand Pesos (PhP. 1,000.00)

SECOND OFFENSE - Three Thousand Pesos (PhP. 3,000.00) and

Suspension of Business Permit for three (3)

months

THIRD AND

SUCCEEDING OFFENSE - Five Thousand Pesos (PhP. 5,000.00) and

Cancellation of Business Permit

Penalties under this Ordinance are without prejudice to any charges and/or penalties that may be imposed under other existing laws.

- SEC. 6. EXCEPTIONS. the following are exempted from liabilities under this Ordinance:
  - When a person/s is performing a task that makes it impossible to wear a mask, PROVIDED that strict physical distancing must be observed.
  - In above-mentioned establishments that have physical distance for the persons inside.

For purposes of this Ordinance, PHYSICAL DISTANCE must be 2 meters away from each other, unless otherwise defined by the Manila Health Department.

- SEC. 7. REPEALING CLAUSE. All other orders, regulations, issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
- SEC. 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. Any part of this Order that is declared null and void shall not have any effect on the entirety of this Ordinance.
  - SEC. 9. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

This Ordinance was finally enacted by the City Council of Manila on June 25, 2020.



## PRESIDED BY:

JOEL'R. CHUA Acting Prosiding Officer City Council, Manila

ATTESTED:

LUCH R. GEMPIS, JR.

City Government Department Head III (Secretary to the City Council)

APPROVED BY HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR, ON

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Mayor City of Manila

ATTESTED:

BERNARDITO CANG

City Government Department Head III (Secretary to the Mayor)

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