



Republic of the Philippines
CITY COUNCIL
City of Manila

REGULAR SESSION NO. 18

12TH CITY COUNCIL

Begun and held in the City Council on Tuesday,
the eight day of November, Two Thousand Twenty-Two

ORDINANCE NO. 8909

AN ORDINANCE FURTHER AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 8627,
AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 8901, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ORDINANCE
REQUIRING THE MANDATORY USE OF FACE MASKS IN ALL PUBLIC PLACES
WITHIN THE CITY OF MANILA"

SPONSORED BY:

HON. ERNESTO C. ISIP, JR.
Majority Floor Leader



PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2022, President Ferdinand "Bong-Bong" R. Marcos, Jr., issued Executive Order No. 7, Series of 2022, in pursuant to IATF Resolution No. 3, Series of 2022, which recommends the further liberalization of the face mask mandate;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 7, Series of 2022, amended Executive Order No. 3, Series of 2022, allowing the voluntary or optional wearing of face masks in the indoor and outdoor settings;

WHEREAS, the further liberalization of the face mask mandate was brought as a result of increase in the number of individuals vaccinated against COVID-19, as well as individuals administered with COVID-19 in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, countries around the world, as a result of continued vaccination, had been instituting measures, such as relaxation of health and safety protocols, and reopening of international borders, resulted to immediate positive impacts to their economies: NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. Amendment. – Section 1 of Ordinance No. 8627, as amended by Ordinance No. 8901, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

“SECTION. 1. Voluntary Wearing of Face Masks. – The voluntary wearing of face masks indoor and outdoor settings is hereby allowed, provided that not fully vaccinated individuals, senior citizens, and immunocompromised individuals are highly encouraged to wear face masks and physical distancing shall be observed at all times. Provided further, that the wearing of face masks is still mandatory in heavily crowded spaces and events, such as but not limited to, fiesta celebrations, the feast of the Black Nazarene, “*tiangge*”, Christmas, super spreader events and the like. Provided finally, that face masks shall still be worn in public transportation by land, air, or sea, and in outdoor settings where physical distancing cannot be maintained.”

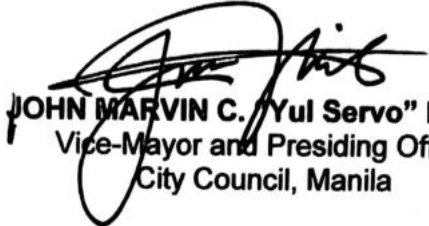
SEC. 2. Repealing Clause. – All other local laws, decrees, orders, issuances, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with the provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 3. Effectivity. - This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

This Ordinance was finally enacted by the City Council of Manila on November 8, 2022.

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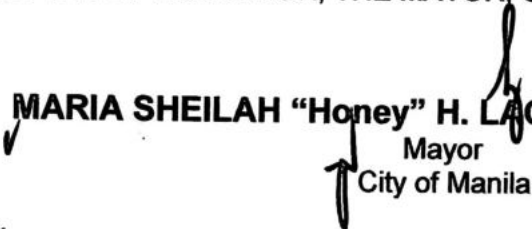
PRESIDED BY:


JOHN MARVIN C. "Yul Servo" NIETO
Vice-Mayor and Presiding 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 NOV 16 2022


MARIA SHEILAH "Honey" H. LACUNA-PANGAN, MD, FPDS
Mayor
City of Manila

ATTESTED:


MARLON M. LACSON
City Government Department Head III
(Secretary to the Mayor)

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