

Republic of the Philippines OFFICE OF THE MAYOR City of Manila

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 01 Series of 2022

MANDATING A POLICY OF TRUTH, TRANSPARENCY, AND RESPONSIVENESS IN GOVERNANCE IN THE CITY OF MANILA

WHEREAS, Section 7, Article III of the 1987 Philippine Constitution recognizes the right of the people to information on matters of public concern subject to such limitations as may be provided by law;

WHEREAS, the right to information is not only a human right, but an essential tool that empowers the citizens to demand accountability from their government, participate in public life, and fight corruption through awareness;

WHEREAS, the right of Manileños to information will be rendered useless unless they are shielded from false information that is spread deliberately to deceive them;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 1, Series of 2019, Manileños were given access to information, official records, public records, and documents pertaining to official acts, transactions and decisions of all departments and offices of the city.

WHEREAS, the utilization of cybertechnology in the recent years has allowed the City of Manila to create and implement policies and regulations that require immediate delivery of public service to Manileños, paving the way for more effective local governance;

THEREFORE, I, MARIA SHEILAH "HONEY" H. LACUNA-PANGAN, Mayor of the City of Manila, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the 1987 Philippine Constitution, the Local Government Code of 1991, and existing laws, hereby order:



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Section 1. All official issuances such as, but not limited to, executive orders, appointments, and other pertinent documents for approval of programs, projects and activities affecting Manileños shall continue to be posted in the designated official social media platforms of each department in the city immediately upon their official receipt thereof;

Section 2. All department heads shall update and submit to the Office of the Mayor their official respective social media accounts bearing the flag of the City of Manila with the names of those who run or administer their official pages for immediate verification to ensure that only true and factual announcements of programs, projects, and activities of the city are posted. The Manila Public Information Office shall, at any given time, have a record of all official social media accounts all the departments and their respective administrators.

Section 3. All department heads are enjoined to gather feedback from social media and make written reports to the Office of the Mayor about concerns that might require immediate action, monitor, and verify complaints lodged in their pages, and create solutions that address concerns in a proactive manner keeping in mind that public service to Manileños is the primordial priority in the City of Manila.

Section 4. To ensure a meaningful exercise of the right to access information, every Manileño is welcome to witness all public procurement and bidding procedures, activities, contract signings, and official meetings on public concerns.



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Section 5. This Executive Order consists of only three (3) pages and shall take effect immediately upon its issuance.

Done on 01 July 2022, in the City of Manila, Philippines

MARIA SHEILAH "HONEY LACUNA" H. LACUNA-PANGAN Mayor of the City of Manila

ATTESTED BY:

ATTY. MARLON M. LACSON Secretary to the Mayor