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ORDINANCE NO. 9047

AN ORDINANCE PROMOTING HEALTH AND WELLNESS, AND INTRODUCING A POLLUTION-FREE FITNESS PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF MANILA (WALKING, JOGGING, RUNNING AND CYCLING) BY TEMPORARILY CLOSING A PORTION OF ROXAS BOULEVARD (BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH BOUND) FROM PADRE BURGOS AVENUE TO QUIRINO AVENUE TO ALL MOTORIZED VEHICLES EVERY SUNDAY FROM 5:00 A.M. UNTIL 9:00 A.M.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The City of Manila recognizes the importance of physical activities to promote a healthy and active lifestyle among its constituents while in harmony with the natural and man-made environment in the city which led to the drafting of this Ordinance aptly named the MOVE MANILA Program.

Section 21 (a) of the Local Government Code of 1991 states that a local government unit may, pursuant to an ordinance, permanently or temporarily close or open any local road, alley, park, or square falling within its jurisdiction: xxx

Participating in carless programs can have several health benefits, including:

1. **Increased Physical Activity:** Walking or cycling (instead of driving) promotes regular exercises, improving cardiovascular health and reducing the risk of obesity.
2. **Reduced Air Pollution Exposure:** By decreasing reliance on cars, these programs help reduce air pollution, leading to better respiratory health and lower rates of asthma and other respiratory conditions.
3. **Improved Mental Well-being:** Active transportation methods like walking or cycling can boost mood and reduce stress levels, contributing to better mental health.
4. **Lowered Risk of Chronic Diseases:** Regular physical activity associated with carless programs can help prevent chronic diseases like heart disease, diabetes, and certain types of cancer.
5. **Enhanced Community Engagement:** Walking or cycling encourages social interactions and strengthens community bonds, which can positively impact mental and emotional well-being.

As stated in the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines under Article XIII, Section 11 – *"the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost"*, and Article XIV, Section 19 (i) provides that *"the State shall promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions and amateur sports including training for international competitions to foster self-discipline, teamwork and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry."*




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Republic Act 7160, also known as the Local Government Code of 1991, under Chapter 2, Section 21 "Closure and Opening of Roads. - (c) Any national or local road, alley, park, or square may be temporarily closed during an actual emergency, or fiesta celebrations, public rallies, agricultural or industrial fairs, or an undertaking of public works and highways, telecommunications, and waterworks projects, the duration of which shall be specified by the local chief executive concerned in a written order": Provided, however, "That no national or local road, alley, park, or square shall be temporarily closed for athletic, cultural, or civic activities not officially sponsored, recognized, or approved by the local government unit concerned".

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TRULY, HEALTH IS WEALTH!


HON. PHILIP SALVADOR H. LACUNA
Councilor, 6th District
Manila

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

SECTION 1. Short Title. – This Ordinance shall be known as the "Move Manila Ordinance" which stands for a MOTOR-VEHICLE and POLLUTION FREE Health and Wellness Program of the City of Manila.

SEC. 2. Purpose. – The Move Manila Program encourages Filipinos to move more and engage in age and health appropriate regular exercises, which align with and implement the Philippine National Guidelines on Physical Activity published in 2010 by the Department of Health (DOH). It promotes mental well-being as provided in the Mental Health Act (Republic Act 11036).

The program also supports the continuing mandamus of the Supreme Court about Manila Bay by promoting environmental awareness and the necessity of making the Manila Bay area an integral part of a livable and walkable City of Manila. The program advances Manila's tourism goals by promoting the natural beauty of the Manila Bay, its world-famous view, and the enduring architectural design of Roxas Boulevard and the Manila Bay Area.

SEC. 3. Implementation. – Temporarily closing a portion of Roxas Boulevard (both North and South bound) from Padre Burgos Avenue to Quirino Avenue to all motorized vehicles every Sunday from 5:00 A.M. until 9:00 A.M., to promote health and wellness, and introduce a Pollution-Free Fitness Program in the City of Manila.

SEC. 4. Contingencies. – The re-routing of traffic flow on affected areas during the time of closure will be carefully planned and managed by the appropriate agencies to ensure the commuters of continued timely travel and efficient delivery of goods and services without delay. Light motor vehicles may be diverted to the parallel service roads along Roxas Boulevard and other side streets, while heavy motor vehicles may be rerouted to nearby main thoroughfares such as Taft Avenue.

Medical emergency first responders and hydration stations shall be deployed at strategic locations along Roxas Boulevard for the well-being of program participants and the general public gathered participating in the activities.

Necessary waste management measures shall be implemented before and after each event to ensure a waste-free and healthy environment for the conduct of the program activities.



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SEC. 5. KEY AGENCIES. – The following departments, bureaus and offices shall coordinate for a safe, secure and efficient implementation of the MOVE MANILA program:

- a) The Manila Traffic and Parking Bureau (MTPB) - Lead Agency
- b) The Manila Sports Council (MASCO)
- c) The Manila Health Department (MHD)
- d) The Department of Public Services - Manila (DPS)
- e) The Manila Disaster and Risk Reduction Management Office (MDRRMO)
- f) The Manila Barangay Bureau (MBB)
- g) The Manila Public Information Office (MPIO)
- h) The Department of Tourism Culture Arts of Manila (DTCAM)
- i) The Manila Police District (MPD)

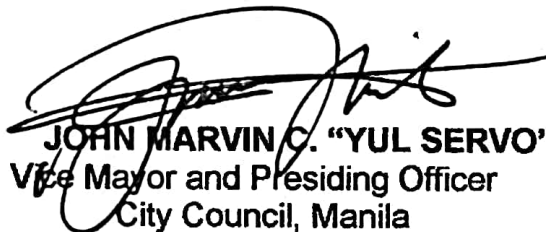
SEC. 6. Funding. – The City of Manila shall allocate the appropriate funds from its annual budget for the implementation of this Ordinance;

SEC. 7. Repealing Clause. – All ordinances, rules, and regulations, or part thereof in conflict with or inconsistent with any provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed and modified or amended accordingly.


SEC. 8. Effectivity Clause. – This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

This Ordinance was finally enacted by the City Council of Manila on May 2, 2024.


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 MAY 13 2024


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

ATTESTED:


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

