

Republic of the Philippines CITY COUNCIL City of Manila

REGULAR SESSION NO. 168

12TH CITY COUNCIL

Begun and held in the City Council on Thursday, the seventeenth day of October, Two Thousand Twenty-Four

ORDINANCE NO. 9081

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE MONTHLY MONETARY ALLOWANCE OF ALL BONAFIDE SENIOR CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF MANILA FROM FIVE HUNDRED PESOS (PHP500.00) TO ONE THOUSAND PESOS (PHP1,000.00) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The policy of the State to protect and serve the rights of the elderly is enshrined in the 1987 Philippine Constitution specifically under Article XIII, Section 11, which expressly provides that 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 further giving priority for the needs of the elderly, among others.

Relative thereto, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 or the Local Government Code (LGC) of 1991, states that: "Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers, necessary, appropriate or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare."

With the aforesaid provisions of the Constitution and the LGC, it is ensured that the elderly are accorded primordial opportunity to have access to essential goods, health and social services in accordance with their needs.

Further, the provisions of the LGC empowers the City Government of Manila to adopt measures to ensure the protection of health, social and moral welfare of its inhabitants, more so for the senior citizens.

Hence, in pursuit of the above mandate, the increase of the monthly monetary allowance of senior citizens from the current Five Hundred Pesos (PhP500.00) to One Thousand Pesos (PhP1,000.00) is imperative and it is thus a significant support to our senior citizens to enable them to have access to the best quality of healthcare services as well as necessary medicines and essential goods.

SALVADOR PHILIP H. LACUNA
Minority Floor Leader
Councilor, Sixth District
Manila

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

SECTION 1. Increase in Monthly Monetary Allowance for Senior Citizens. — The present monetary allowance for senior citizens is hereby increased from Five Hundred Pesos (PhP500.00) to One Thousand Pesos (PhP1,000.00) per month which shall be given to all bonafide senior citizens of the City of Manila.

- SEC. 2. Appropriation. The herein monetary allowance for senior citizens shall be charged against available appropriations in the FY 2025 Executive Budget and thereafter shall become a regular appropriation in the succeeding preparation of the Annual Executive Budget of the City of Manila.
- SEC. 3. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances is declared invalid, the provisions thereof not affected shall remain in full force and effect.
- SEC. 4. Repealing Clause. The provisions or parts of Ordinance No. 8565, including ordinances amending the same, as well as all other ordinances, resolutions, executive orders, rules or regulations, or issuances or parts thereof, found to be inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

SEC. 5. Effectivity Clause. - This Ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

This Ordinance was finally enacted by the City Council of Manila on October 17, 2024.

PRESIDED BY:

OHN MARVIN C. "Yul Servo" NIETO Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer City Council, Manila

ATTESTED:

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

APPROVED BY HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR, ON

OCT 28 2024

MARIA SHEILAH "Honey" H. LACUNA-PANGAN, MD, FPDS

City of Manila

ATTESTED:

ATTY. MARLON M. LACSON

City Governmen: Department Head III

(Secretary to the Mayor)

JMG/RRB: acl/jok/cpf/eys