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ORDINANCE NO. 9130

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING EXEMPTION FROM PAYMENT OF MAYOR'S PERMIT FEE TO PARTICIPATING MERCHANTS IN THE EXHIBITS ORGANIZED IN CONNECTION WITH THE TOURISM MONTH CELEBRATION ON SEPTEMBER 18,19,27 AND 28, 2025

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 17, Article II of the Constitution declares that the State shall give priority to arts and culture to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress and promote total human liberation and development.

Section 14, Article XIV of the Constitution affirms that the State shall foster the preservation, enrichment, and dynamic evolution of a Filipino national culture based on the principle of unity in diversity in a climate of free artistic and intellectual expression. Section 15 thereof asserts arts and letters shall enjoy the patronage of the State. The State shall conserve, promote, and popularize the nation's historical and cultural heritage and resources, as well as artistic creations.

Section 16 of the Republic Act No. 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991, provides 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. Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology, encourage and support the development of appropriate and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, improve public morals, enhance economic prosperity and social justice, promote full employment among their residents, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants.

Section 17 of the same Code allows local government units to exercise such powers and discharge such functions and responsibilities as are necessary, appropriate, or incidental to efficient and effective provisions of the basic services and facilities such as tourism facilities and other tourist attractions, including the acquisition of equipment, regulation and supervision of business concessions, and security services for such facilities and tourism development and promotion programs.

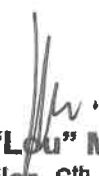
Section 192 of the LGC provides that local government units may, through ordinances duly approved, grant exemptions, incentives or reliefs under such terms and conditions as they may deem necessary.

Section 2 of Republic Act No. 9593 or "The Tourism Act of 2009", declares tourism as an indispensable element of the national economy and an industry of national interest and importance, which must be harnessed as an engine of socioeconomic growth and cultural affirmation to generate investment, foreign exchange and employment, and to continue to mold an enhanced sense of national pride for all Filipinos.

Section 11 of Ordinance No. 9085 or the "Tourism Code of Manila", designated the Tourism Month Celebration as a regular annual tourism program every month of September wherein the Department of Tourism, Culture and Arts of Manila (DTCAM) shall organize various events which include cultural presentations, exhibitions, and more. Students and talents from both public and private universities in the City of Manila are actively involved in these programs.

Section 118 of Ordinance No. 8331 or the 2013 Omnibus Revenue Code of the City of Manila imposes Mayor's Permit Fee on individuals and corporations for the issuance of permit/s by the city mayor or his duly authorized deputy or assistant in connection with an application to operate business, pursue an occupation or undertake an activity in the City of Manila.

In an endorsement dated August 20, 2025, the Director of Bureau of Permits referred to the City Council through the Office of the Vice-Mayor the request of the DTCAM to exempt from the payment of the necessary Mayor's Permit Fee to conduct bazaar on September 18, 19, 27, and 28, 2025.


LUCIANO "Lou" M. VELOSO
Councilor, 6th District
Manila




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

SECTION 1. Exemption from payment of the Mayor' Permit Fee is hereby granted and authorized in favor of the participating merchants in the exhibits organized in connection with the Tourism Month Celebration on September 18, 19, 27 and 28, 2025.


SEC. 2. Effectivity Clause. – This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval.

This Ordinance was enacted by the City Council of Manila on September 2, 2025.

PRESIDED BY:


ANGELA LEI "Chi" I. ATIENZA
Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer
City Council, Manila

ATTESTED:


ATTY. MANS ROGER S. LUNA
City Government Department Head III
(Secretary to the City Council)

APPROVED BY HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR, ON SEP 12 2025.


FRANCISCO "ISKO MORENO" M. DOMAGOSO
Mayor
City of Manila

ATTESTED:


MANUEL M. ZARCAL
Secretary to the Mayor

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