Republic of the Philippines
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
City of Mandaluyong

ORDINANCE NO. 619, S–2015

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING MEDICINE/VITAMINS WORTH THREE HUNDRED PESOS (Php 300.00) IN THE FORM OF VOUCHER TO ALL REGISTERED SENIOR CITIZENS OF MANDALUYONG CITY EVERY ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR BIRTHS AS A TOKEN OF APPRECIATION AND CARE BY THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF MANDALUYONG

WHEREAS, Article XIII, Section 11 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution put emphasis on the role of our senior citizens and their invaluable contributions to the nation-building;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the objectives set forth under Section 1 of Republic Act No. 9994 otherwise known as the “Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010”, the State shall adopt measures whereby our Senior Citizens are assisted and appreciated by the community as a whole, and the City Government of Mandaluyong adheres to such basic tenet of the law;

WHEREAS, it has been the practice by some cities within the Metropolitan Manila area to give the Senior Citizens in their respective jurisdictions financial aids, whether in cash or in kind, during the anniversaries of their births to recognize and appreciate the blessings of life that God gave them;

WHEREAS, as part of its cause to assist Senior Citizens and to celebrate the blessings of their existence, it is only proper for the City to provide them with appreciative gifts for them to realize their irreplaceable status in the society and harmonizing the same initiative with those of initiated by some of the cities in the Metro Manila that further the same cause;

WHEREAS, to concretely exercise this intention, the City Government of Mandaluyong desires to recognize them by giving a privilege by way of granting medicine/vitamins worth Three Hundred Pesos (Php 300.00) for each registered Senior Citizen during the anniversary of his or her birth that will not only help the City expand its social development but also giving aid to the senior citizen’s health and wellness that is greatly beneficial for him or her.

WHEREAS, at present, there are about Fifty Four Thousand (54,000) registered senior citizens in the City of Mandaluyong who can be the primary recipients of this grant;

WHEREAS, in compliance to the provisions of the same and in order to enhance the health needs of our senior citizens, the Sangguniang Panlungsod is resolved to adopt this Ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in session assembled do hereby state:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as “An Ordinance Granting Medicine/Vitamins Worth Three Hundred Pesos (Php 300.00) in the Form of Voucher to all Registered Senior Citizens of Mandaluyong City every Anniversary of their Births as a Token of Appreciation and Care by the City Government of Mandaluyong.”
SECTION 2. SCOPE OF COVERAGE. All Senior Citizens registered at the Office for Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) of Mandaluyong City as of 2015 and beyond are covered by this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. GRANT OR PRIVILEGE. Every registered Senior Citizen of Mandaluyong City shall, on the day of his or her birthday, receive a birthday gift, in the form of medicines/vitamins worth Three Hundred Pesos (Php 300.00) which shall be distributed in the form of voucher or such other similar means from the OSCA and the said coupon will be used at the accredited pharmacies of the City during the anniversary of the senior citizen’s birth. This privilege may be availed only once in every year.

SECTION 4. SOURCE OF FUND. The funds for the implementation of this Ordinance shall be taken from the General Fund Office for the Senior Citizens Affairs, subject to the availability of funds and existing auditing and accounting rules and regulations.

SECTION 5. IMPLEMENTATION. Within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Ordinance, the OSCA is directed to submit a complete listing of all registered Senior Citizens of Mandaluyong City to the Sangguniang Panlungsod. The OSCA shall also make a report to this Sanggunian as to the status of the implementation of this Ordinance annually or as may be deemed necessary.

SECTION 6. PUBLIC BIDDING. The pharmacies which will join the City in implementing this Ordinance shall be selected and accredited after the process of public bidding conducted by the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) of the City of Mandaluyong.

SECTION 7. ROLE OF ACCREDITED PHARMACIES. It is the role of the accredited pharmacies to acknowledge the voucher presented by the senior citizen as a mode of his or her payment in purchasing medicine/vitamins amounting to Three Hundred Pesos (Php300.00) during the anniversary of the senior citizen’s birth.

SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. Should any provision of this Ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the validity or constitutionality of the other provisions shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 9. DISTRIBUTION OF COPIES OF THIS ORDINANCE. Let copies of this Ordinance be furnished to the Office of the Mayor and other offices of the City like the Treasury Department, Budget Department, Accounting Department, the Bids and Awards Committee, the Office for Senior Citizens Affairs of Mandaluyong City and other concerned offices for their information, guidance and appropriate action.

SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.
ENACTED on this 15th day of December, 2015 in the City of Mandaluyong.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE WAS ENACTED AND APPROVED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOOD OF MANDALUYONG IN A SPECIAL SESSION HELD ON THE DATE AND PLACE FIRST ABOVE GIVEN.

MA. TERESA S. MIRANDA
Acting Sanggunian Secretary

PRESIDED BY:

LUISITO E. ESPINOSA
City Councilor &
Acting Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

BENJAMIN DC. ABALOS, JR.
City Mayor

Date: DEC 21, 2015