RESOLUTION NO. 2878, S-2020

A RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY BANNING THE CONDUCT OF BARANGAY ASSEMBLIES AND OTHER GATHERINGS SUCH AS FIESTAS, SPORTSFESTS, AERO DANCE, RECREATIONAL AND OTHER EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES THAT ENCOURAGE MASS GATHERINGS AND ARE NOT RELATED TO DISASTER RISK REDUCTION MANAGEMENT AND DELIVERY OF BASIC HEALTH SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY OF MANDALUYONG DUE TO THE NOVEL CORONA VIRUS (COVID-19) AND INVITING THE RELIGIOUS SECTORS TO DO THE SAME

WHEREAS, there is an emergence of a novel corona virus that have been acknowledged by the global community to cause public health emergencies of international concern;

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is a new strain of coronavirus that has not been previously identified in humans. Corona viruses are a large family of viruses ranging from the common cold to more serious infections such as MERS-CoV and SARS-CoV. Common signs of coronavirus infection include respiratory symptoms, fever, cough, shortness of breath and breathing difficulties. In severe cases, it can cause pneumonia, acute respiratory syndrome, kidney failure, and even death;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 has caused severe pneumonia in several cases in China and has been exported to a range of countries and cities. Countries outside of China with confirmed cases includes Japan, Republic of Korea, Vietnam, Singapore, Australia, Malaysia, Cambodia, Philippines, Thailand, Nepal, Sri Lanka, India, USA, Canada, France, Finland, Germany, and United Arab Emirates (UAE);

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has already made the assessment that COVID-19 can be characterized as a pandemic;

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued Proclamation No. 922 declaring a Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) issued Resolution No. 11, Series of 2020 raised the country’s Code Alert Level to Code Red Sub-Alert Level 2, and necessitates the imposition of Stringent Social Distancing Measures in the National Capital Region (NCR) for thirty (30) days from March 15 to April 14, which was approved by President Duterte;
WHEREAS, the same Resolution No. 11 has practically placed the entire NCR under community quarantine. Mass gatherings, defined as events where the number of people attending could strain the planning and response resources of the community hosting the event, and could compromise the required social distancing shall be prohibited during the 30-day period (March 15, 2020 to April 14, 2020) or until the community quarantine is lifted;

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the City of Mandaluyong to implement urgent and critical measures to prevent the loss of lives, and utilize and appropriate necessary resources to contain the spread of the virus, mitigate its effects and impact in the city, and prevent the disruption of government services and the community in general;

WHEREAS, the religious sectors are, likewise, enjoined in this regulations taking into consideration the separation of Church and State.

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion duly seconded, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Mandaluyong, in session assembled, RESOLVED, as it hereby RESOLVES, to temporarily ban the conduct of barangay assemblies and other gatherings such as fiestas, sportfest, aero dance, recreational and other events and activities that encourage mass gatherings and are not related to disaster risk reduction management and delivery of basic health services within the City of Mandaluyong due to the novel corona virus (COVID-19) and inviting the religious sectors to do the same.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that government activities in the City involving disaster risk reduction and management and delivery of basic health services shall continue; Provided that, strict social distancing measures, and other health and safety measures are observed.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the City Mayor, Barangay Operations Center and Liga ng mga Barangay, for their information and dissemination.

ADOPTED on this 15th day of March, 2020, in the City of Mandaluyong.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF MANDALUYONG IN SPECIAL SESSION HELD ON THE DATE AND PLACE FIRST ABOVE GIVEN.

MA. TERESA S. MIRANDA
Sanggunian Secretary

ATTESTED BY:

ANTONIO DLS SUVA
Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

CARMEUITA A. ABALOS
City Mayor

Date: MAR 15 2020