

Republic of the Philippines Region IV-A (CALABARZON) **Province of Cavite** CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 20-74 (SPECIAL)

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ADOPTING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11222: AN ACT ALLOWING THE RECTIFICATION OF SIMULATED BIRTH RECORDS AND PRESCRIBING ADMINISTRATIVE ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS IN THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS AND FURTHER PRESCRIBING THE AMOUNT OF PHP 1 000.00 AS SOCIALIZED FEE FOR THE PURPOSE.

WHEREAS, in Cavite Province, there are around 2,862 neglected and abandoned children as of 2009 according to the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) journal while there are an estimated of 100 children in the City of General Trias who were abandoned, neglected and surrendered by their parents. There are still plenty of children in the streets who, in the early age had to work by vending sampaguita and other products, begging in the streets, or worse can be victims of syndicates and engage in sexual trade;

WHEREAS, 18 nongovernment institutions or Child Caring Institutions in Cavite are catering to children who are abandoned, neglected and surrendered, however, the said institutions have limitations in housing children for temporary placement or processing the adoption papers of the children;

WHEREAS, direct placement or independently placed children is one type of adoption which is discouraged by the City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO) and the Department of Social Welfare and Development Office (DSWDO) when the child is below one year old;

WHEREAS, Birth Simulation is the tampering of the civil registry data making it appear in the birth records that a certain child was born to a person who is not actually his/her biological parents causing such child to lose his/her identity and status;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11222 is an avenue for those prospective adoptive parents to correct the simulation procedures and proceed with the legalization of adoption process through the administrative proceedings;

WHEREAS, the City is one with the National Government in promoting and advocating for legal adoption to give abandoned, neglected, surrendered and those directly placed to a nonrelative family children the maximum protection of their rights;

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WHEREAS, since it is an administrative process, the Local Social Welfare and Development Office may charge socialized fee to defray the expenses to be incurred in facilitating the documents;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Florencio D. Ayos duly seconded by SP Member J-M Vergel M. Columna,

Be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE - This Ordinance shall be known as "RECTIFICATION OF SIMULATED BIRTH RECORDS AND PRESCRIBING ADMINISTRATIVE ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS IN THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS".

SECTION 2. SOCIALIZED FEES – The City Social Welfare and Development Office and the Office of the Local Civil Registrar may charge the amount of Php 1,000.00 as socialized fee to those who avail of the administrative adoption proceedings under Republic Act No. 11222.

SECTION 3. EXEMPTION - Socialized Fees shall be waived if the petitioner is indigent.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVITY - This ordinance shall take effect immediately after its approval and publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ENACTED under THIRD/FINAL READING/on 25 NOVEMBER 2020.

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SP Member/SKF President

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

MAURITO C. SISON City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

ANTONIO A. FERRER City Mayor

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