AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTION SERVICE (BPS) ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING AS HISTORICAL LANDMARK LOCATED AT FILINVEST CORPORATE CITY, BARANGAY ALABANG, MUNTINLUPA CITY AND DIRECTING THE CITY CULTURAL AND TOURISM OFFICE (CCTO) TO PRESERVE THE SAME.

Sponsored by:  
Hon. Coun. Ringo A. Teves  
Hon. Coun. Atty. Raul R. Corro  
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WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 280, as amended by PD No. 1505, states that, "all local government units are hereby authorized to install historical landmark to honor their local heroes, and to commemorate significant events, sites and structures and to be registered with the National Historical Institute (NHI)";

WHEREAS, Section 17 of the same Code, states that, "xxx, Local Government Units shall likewise exercise such other powers and discharge such other functions and responsibilities as are necessary, appropriate, or incidental to efficient and effective provision of the basic services and facilities, including tourism facilities and other tourist attractions, the acquisition of equipment, regulation and supervision of business concessions, and security services for such facilities";

WHEREAS, the City of Muntinlupa has identified the Biological Production Service (BPS) Administrative Building as a historical landmark situated at Filinvest Corporate City, Barangay Alabang, Muntinlupa City;

WHEREAS, the Biological Production Service (BPS) Administrative Building, a structure erected in 1924, was part of the Alabang Serum and Vaccine Laboratories (ASVL) and is rich in historical significance, it being a major government research unit in the 18th century and as employer to residents who are native of Muntinlupa.
WHEREAS, not only does the Biological Production Service (BPS) Administrative Building symbolizes the American influence in the country, but also promotes the Filipino artistry as symbolized by the Statue of Science proudly standing in front of the said Administrative Building, which is a creation of Dr. Genaro Synchangco, a Muntinlupaño;

WHEREAS, the location of Biological Production Service (BPS’s) Administrative Building is prone to multifaceted development because of its prime commercial value and for the reason that the same is within the property of the Filinvest Corporate City Inc. (FCCI);

WHEREAS, despite the continuing development in the said area, it is the prudential duty of the city to protect and promote the city’s historical treasures as part of our heritage and culture;

WHEREAS, during the public hearing held on April 26, 2011, the Filinvest Corporate City Inc. (FCCI) agreed to preserve the Biological Production Service (BPS’s) Administrative Building;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, AS IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED, by the 9th Sangguniang Panlungsod in Session assembled that:

SECTION 1. The Biological Production Service (BPS) Administrative Building is hereby declared as a Historical Landmark located at Filinvest Corporate City, Brgy. Alabang, Muntinlupa City.

SECTION 2. The City Cultural and Tourism Office (CCTO) is hereby directed to preserve the Biological Production Service (BPS) Administrative Building by requesting the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) to declare it a “National Landmark”.

SECTION 3. The City Cultural and Tourism Office (CCTO) shall coordinate with the owner of the property, Filinvest Corporate City Inc. (FCCI) for the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the protection, promotion and preservation of the same.

ENACTED, by the 6th Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa this 2nd day of May, 2011 on its 35th Regular Session.

CONCURRED:

DISTRICT I:

COUN. ATTY. RAUL K. CORRO
Member

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Member
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ABSENT:
COUN. ÁLLEN F. AMPAYA
Member

COUN. LUVI P. CONSTANTINO
Member:

I HEREBY CERTIFY, as to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

CECILIA C. LAZARTE
Secretary

ATTESTED:

ARTEMIO A. SMUNDAC
City Vice-Mayor
Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

ALDRIN L. SAN PEDRO
City Mayor
Date: [Signature]

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