ORDINANCE NO. 19-19-038

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE MUNTINLUPA’S RESPONSIBLE-18 (R-18) MONTH REQUIRING ALL MUNTINLUPA RESIDENTS WHO ARE EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CELEBRATION OF THEIR ADULTHOOD EVERY MONTH OF FEBRUARY EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER.

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WHEREAS, Article II, Section 3 of the Philippine Constitution, Declaration of Principles and State Policies, declares that, “the State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their, physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs”;

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 17, of the Philippine Constitution, declares that, “the State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development”;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as Local Government Code of 1991, provides that, “Within their respective territorial jurisdiction, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of 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, peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants”.

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WHEREAS, Section 24, of the Family Code of the Philippines, states that, "Emancipation takes place by the attainment of majority. Unless otherwise provided, majority commences at the age of eighteen years." Thus, children who reach the age of 18 years old acquire rights and obligation, such as, the right to vote, the right to enter into contracts, the right to obtain regular drivers licenses and the responsibility to be accountable for their own actions;

WHEREAS, Article 236 of the Family Code of the Philippines, further explains under that, "Emancipation shall terminate parental authority over the person and property of the child who shall then be qualified and responsible for all acts of civil life, save the exceptions established by existing laws in special cases;"

WHEREAS, there is a need for the City Government of Muntinlupa to welcome and orient those who reached the age of emancipation for the reason that they now carry certain duties and obligations and are expected to contribute to the progress and improvement of their City as responsible adults.

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

SECTION 1. Title - This Ordinance shall be known as “Ordinance Establishing the Muntinlupa’s Responsible-18 (R-18) Month requiring all Muntinlupa residents who are Eighteen (18) Years of age to participate in the celebration of their adulthood every Month of February Every Year Thereafter.”

SECTION 2. Objectives - The objective of this ordinance is to empower, educate, welcome and celebrate those who have reached the age of emancipation or 18 years of age, on a particular month each year, in order to impress upon their minds that they are now part of the adult community who can contribute to the holistic improvement and development of the City of Muntinlupa and enjoy specific civil rights which they should be aware of.

SECTION 3. Establishment of the Responsible-18 Month - The month of February every year thereafter, shall be declared as the “Responsible-18 (R-18) Month” in the City of Muntinlupa.

SECTION 4. Annual Celebration of the R-18 Month shall be participated by the following youth:
- Qualified students are excused from school.
- Include those who may not be enrolled in any school but have reached the age of 18 on or before the R-18 Month.
- Mandatory requirement to attend the activities and programs.

SECTION 5. Activities and Programs on R-18 Month - General and possible activities/programs during the R-18 Month (e.g. seminar on career, values formation, financial literacy, legal brief, leadership seminar, mental health and wellness, GST101).
SECTION 6. The Responsible-18 (R-18) Committee – shall identify the committee or group that will plan and execute the activities for R-18 Month, to include local/national government offices and NGOs. (DepEd, YASDO, PCO, GAD, OM, SK FEDERATION, TCAD, CADO).

SECTION 7. Appropriations – The Executive Department shall allocate every year the necessary appropriations to support the execution and implementation of this ordinance.

SECTION 8. Information and Educational Campaign - Within six (6) months after the approval of this Ordinance, The City Government of Muntinlupa, through the DepEd-Muntinlupa, Public Information Office (PIO) and the People’s Coordinating Office (PCO), shall conduct information and educational campaigns to disseminate information about this Ordinance to residents who have reached eighteen (18) years of age and all other concerned government agencies, school and parents.

SECTION 9. Effectivity – this Ordinance shall take effect after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ENACTED, by the 9th Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa this 16th day of December, 2019, on its 25th Regular Session.

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

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