



Republic of the Philippines  
 PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN  
 City of Tuguegarao  
**EIGHTH CITY COUNCIL**



EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 40<sup>th</sup> REGULAR SESSION  
 OF THE EIGHTH CITY COUNCIL OF TUGUEGARAO CITY, CAGAYAN  
 HELD ON MAY 12, 2020, TUESDAY, 9:00 A.M.,  
 AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL

PRESENT:

Hon. Bienvenido C. De Guzman II	City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer
Hon. Maila Rosario T. Que	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Gilbert S. Labang	-do-
Hon. Ronald S. Ortiz	-do-
Hon. Arnel T. Arugay	-do-
Hon. Grace B. Arago	-do-
Hon. Raymund P. Guzman	-do-
Hon. Winnoco R. Abraham	-do-
Hon. Karina S. Gauani	-do-
Hon. Victor Herbert N. Perez	-do-
Hon. Gil G. Pagulayan	Ex Officio Member (Liga ng mga Barangay President)
Hon. Karen L. Taguinod	Ex Officio Member (SK Federation President)

ABSENT:

Hon. Imogen Claire M. Callangan	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Danilo L. Baccay	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member (on Leave)

**CITY RESOLUTION NO. 148-08-2020**

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CONGRESS THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT (DSWD) TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 4(C) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11469 OR THE “BAYANIHAN TO HEAL AS ONE ACT” IN RELATION TO THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY SUBSIDY TO EIGHTEEN (18) MILLION LOW-INCOME FAMILIES OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL AMELIORATION PROGRAM BENEFITS**

Sponsor: **Hon. Maila Rosario T. Que**

**WHEREAS**, Section 15, Article II of the Philippines Constitution declares that it is the State’s policy to protect and promote the right to health of the people;

**WHEREAS**, the Congress, through Republic Act (R.A.) No. 11469, otherwise known as the “Bayanihan to Heal as One Act” dated 24 March 2020, declared a state of national emergency over the entire country in view of the continuing rise of confirmed cases of COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, R.A. 11469 pursuant to Article VI, Section 23(2) of the Constitution, granted the President temporary authority to exercise powers necessary and proper to carry out the declared national policy and to adopt the temporary emergency measures to respond to crisis brought by the pandemic. These include programs for the recovery and rehabilitation including a social amelioration program and provision of safety nets to all affected sectors;

**WHEREAS**, Section 4(c) of R.A. 11469 empowers the National Government “to provide an emergency subsidy to eighteen (18) million low-income families which will amount to a *minimum of Five Thousand Pesos (PhP5,000.00) to a maximum of Eight Thousand Pesos (PhP8,000.00) a month for two (2) months* to provide for the basic and essential needs of each household;”



**WHEREAS**, Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No. 1, s. 2020 issued in March 2020 reiterating R.A. 11469 further defines *Emergency Subsidy Program (ESP)* as a “social amelioration program to provide cash or non-cash subsidy to eighteen (18) million household beneficiaries, in the amount of *at least Five Thousand Pesos (PhP5,000.00) to a maximum of Eight Thousand Pesos (PhP8,000.00) per month for two (2) months* for basic food, medicine and toiletries;”

**WHEREAS**, the City Government of Tuguegarao with the supervision of DSWD RO2 exhausted all its efforts through the 49 barangays to implement JMC 01-2020, however, due to time constraints in consideration of the deadline imposed by the DSWD, the barangay personnel were not able to reach and distribute to as much households which were otherwise qualified;

**WHEREAS**, on May 1, 2020, the Province of Cagayan was categorized as a General Community Quarantine (GCQ) Area, a shift from Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) category from which Tuguegarao City and the entire Province had been from March 17, 2020 to April 30, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, under the GCQ, people are allowed to go out of their residences but on a limited basis and government offices and certain business establishments may operate on a regulated basis, thus still affecting the livelihood of the poorest of the poor;

**WHEREAS**, even under GCQ, it is being requested that the poorest of the poor in Tuguegarao City be included as beneficiaries of the second wave of the ESP benefits;

**WHEREAS**, the socioeconomic impact to the poorest of the poor in Tuguegarao City is still very much apparent that requires a more feasible solution and a more responsive measure;

**WHEREAS**, the Eighth City Council of Tuguegarao City is highly requesting the Congress, through the Office of the President and the DSWD, to adopt the suggested amendment in Section 4(c) of R.A. 11469 or the Bayanihan to Heal as One Act, and other related national issuances, to wit:

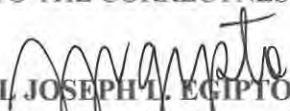
*“The second wave of the ESP benefits (second month funding) shall be allocated to those qualified but were not able to receive any benefits under the Social Amelioration Program due to the limited number of beneficiaries imposed by the DSWD to each LGU.”*

NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVE, as it is hereby RESOLVED, to **REQUEST THE CONGRESS THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT (DSWD) TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 4(C) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11469 OR THE “BAYANIHAN TO HEAL AS ONE ACT” IN RELATION TO THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY SUBSIDY TO EIGHTEEN (18) MILLION LOW-INCOME FAMILIES OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL AMELIORATION PROGRAM BENEFITS.**


On joint motion, **CITY RESOLUTION NO. 148-08-2020** was **APPROVED** under suspended rules.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS OF THE FOREGOING:

  
**JOEL JOSEPH L. EGIPTO, Ph.D.**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

  
**HON. BIENVENIDO C. DE GUZMAN II**  
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer  
Date: 08-12-2020

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