

OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR

Series of 2020

"AN ORDER SETTING GUIDELINES FOR THE CELEBRATION OF UNDAS 2020 IN TUGUEGARAO CITY"

WHEREAS, the prime duty of the government is to serve and protect the people, the maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and the promotion of general welfare;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the *Local Government Code of 1991*, "states that Local Government Units are authorized to exercise powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance and those which are essential to the promotion of general welfare;"

WHEREAS, Tuguegarao City has been under Community Quarantine since March 16, 2020, and been under Enhance Community Quarantine (ECQ) in the beginning. Its category shifted to General Community Quarantine (GCQ) and at present as Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ);

WHEREAS, Inter Agency Task Force (IATF) Resolution No. 72 dated September 17, 2020 set guidelines for the celebration of *Undas* 2020;

WHEREAS, in view of the pandemic the traditional honoring of our departed loved ones shall be regulated pursuant to the abovementioned IATF Resolution;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ATTY. JEFFERSON P. SORIANO, City Mayor of Tuguegarao City, Cagayan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. *Guidelines for Undas 2020.* The Tuguegarao City Government shall strictly implement the guidelines provided under IATF Resolution No. 72, to wit:

- 1. All private and public cemeteries, memorial parks and columbarium shall be closed beginning October 29, 2020 to November 4, 2020 to the general public, <u>except</u> for groups who will bury their family member during these dates;
- 2. Families visiting their departed loved ones are encouraged to visit before October 29, 2020 or after November 4, 2020;
- 3. The number of visitors shall be limited to a maximum occupancy of thirty percent (30%) of the entire area of the cemetery, memorial park or columbarium;
- 4. Wearing of face masks, face shields and social distancing shall be strictly observed; and
- 5. Age restrictions shall not apply to visitors of the aforementioned places.

Section 2. *COVID Shield Pass*. All persons visiting their loved ones must secure COVID Shield Resident Pass from their respective barangays. Those working in government agencies, bank institutions and academe may present their employment ID in lieu of the COVID Shield Resident Pass.

Section 3. *Repealing Clause.* All prior issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

Section 4. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in Tuguegarao City, this <u>27th</u> day of October in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty.

ATTY. JEFFERS IN P. SORIANO
City Mayor

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