

**REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
LUNGSOD NG BAKOLOD**

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CITY ORDINANCE NO. 08-15-734

May 13, 2015

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER AS THE CELEBRATION OF THE BACOLOD CITY SPORTS RUNNERS WEEK AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF.

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article 2 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the state shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 19, Article 2 of the Constitution likewise provides that the state shall promote physical education and encourage sport programs, league competitions, amateur sports, including training for international competition, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 mandates every local government unit to ensure and support the promotion of health for the general welfare of the people;

WHEREAS, Section 17 of the Act also encourages cities and municipalities to promote tourism facilities and other tourist attractions;


WHEREAS, the first week of October is the most suitable time to conduct fun run and marathon races and other related activities to attract more runner enthusiast from different cities and municipalities to help boost our local tourism and business industries;


WHEREAS, the establishment of Sports Runners Week in the City will not only promote a sport-friendly environment but also our Masskara Festival;

WHEREAS, having these activities as annual events, it can usher the celebration of Masskara Festival and encourages more tourists to come in our City especially that there is a fast growing population of runners' enthusiast not just in the Philippines but in the whole world.

NOW THEREFORE, be it **ORDAINED** as it is hereby **ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in session assembled, that:

Section 1. Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known as **"The Sports Runners Week Ordinance of Bacolod City."**

Section 2. Scope. The application of this Ordinance shall be limited to fun and race events for joggers, runners, marathoners and those who participate on walk as sports or recreation falling within the definition of the terms referred to herein, concerned Departments of the City Government and all public and private juridical persons in the City. 



Section 3. First Week of October as Sport Runners Week. The First Week of October is hereby declared as the Bacolod Sports Runners Week.

Section 4. Definition of Terms. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following shall have the corresponding meanings:

- a. **Fun Run** – refers to a footrace run for exercise and pleasure by runners or by a large number of people who are sponsored for charity.
- b. **Run Race** – a competition of speed in running in which participants struggle to be the winner.
- c. **Runner** – refers to someone who travels on foot by running. However, this may also refer to marathoners, joggers, walkers as the case maybe.
- d. **Jog** – run at a steady gentle pace as a form of physical exercise.
- e. **Jogging** – is a form of trotting or running at a slow or leisurely pace with the main intention to increase physical fitness with less stress on the body.
- f. **Running** – is a means of terrestrial locomotion allowing humans to move rapidly on foot faster than a walk.
- g. **Marathon** – a long distance footrace on an open course, generally an endurance contest usually of 26 miles, 385 yards, 195 meters or 42.2 kilometers.
- h. **Ultra marathon** – any organized footrace extending beyond the standard marathon, typically begins at 50 kilometers and can extend to enormous distances with no limit.
- i. **Walk** – to move over a surface by taking steps with the feet at a pace slower than a run.
- j. **Walking** – the act of travelling by foot.
- k. **Obstruction Run** – a foot race in which the contestants are prevented in a specific way from covering the full course at top speed, as by having to jump or climb over, go around or under, sacks enclosing the legs, or potatoes to pick up, etc.
- l. **Trail Run** – is sport which consists of running and hiking over trails. It is sometimes called mountain or fell running that generally takes place on hiking trails often in mountainous terrain where there can be much larger ascent and descent.

Section 5. Runners Week Activities. The celebration of the Runners Week may have the following activities:



- A. Marathon and Ultra Marathon Race
- B. Obstruction/Obstacle Run
- C. Trail Run
- D. Costume or Masskara Night Run Competition
- E. Pet Walk Competiton
- F. Sports Wear and Apparel Trade Fair
- G. Trade Shows and Expo
- H. Seminars and Trainings for Runners
- I. Any other activities

Section 6. Conduct of Events. All programs and activities shall comply with all laws, rules and regulations set forth for the smooth conduct of the event and the Masskara Celebration, and shall be communicated to the Office of the Masskara Festival Committee duly designated by the city government. The said committee or council shall provide a copy to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for approval within reasonable time.

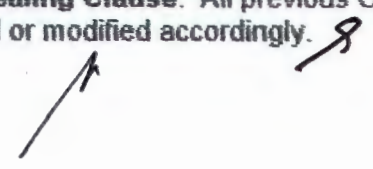
Section 7. Sports Runners Council of Bacolod City. In order to promote this as sports tourism and program that instills health consciousness to the inhabitants of the City, there shall be a Sports Runners Council of Bacolod City that shall recommend policies and programs and formulate Implementing Rules and Regulations for events and matters in connection therewith.

Section 8. Public Information and Awareness. The Public Information Office, in coordination with the Sports Runners Council, shall promote the appropriate print, television and broadcast advertisements. Such advertisements shall be issued two (2) months prior to the opening of the Masskara Festival.

Section 9. Source of Funds. In order to support the activities for the celebration of the Bacolod City Sports Runners Week, as independent activities empowered by this Ordinance, a yearly allotted budget of Three Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php 300,000.00) shall be allocated from the General Appropriation Fund, separate from allocated budget for the Masskara Celebration.

Section 10. Separability Clause. If any part of this Ordinance is declared not valid, unconstitutional or unlawful, such declaration shall not affect or impair the remaining provisions, sections or parts thereof, which shall remain or continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 11. Repealing Clause. All previous Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.



Section 12. Effectivity. This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a local newspaper of general circulation.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative :
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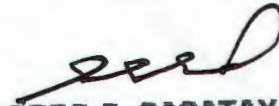
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Councilors Carlos Jose V. Lopez and Noli B. Villarosa were not around when this ordinance was passed.

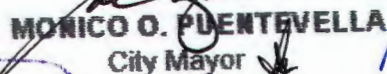

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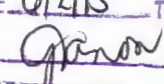
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Secretary to the Sanggunian

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APPROVED:  May, 2015.


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CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that **City Ordinance No. 08-15-734**, Series of 2015, passed by the Sangguniang Panlungsod on May 13, 2015, entitled:

“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER AS THE CELEBRATION OF THE BACOLOD CITY SPORTS RUNNERS WEEK AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF.”

was published in the June 25, 2015 issue of the Sun-Star Bacolod and was posted in the bulletin board of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, Old City Hall and City Health Office as required under the above mentioned City Ordinance and is now, therefore, legally in effect.

Bacolod City, Philippines, July 21, 2015.

ATTY. VICENTE C. PETIERRE III
Secretary to the Sanggunian



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