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CITY ORDINANCE NO. 842  
March 13, 2018

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 4 AND 5 OF CITY ORDINANCE NO. 08-15-743, SERIES OF 2015, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL HOTELS, MALLS, SUPERMARKETS AND DEPARTMENT STORES IN THE CITY OF BACOLOD TO ESTABLISH A MOTHER-BABY STATION.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 4 of Republic Act No. 10028 otherwise known as the Expanded Breastfeeding Promotion Act of 2009 mandates government agencies, including their subdivisions and instrumentalities, and government owned and controlled corporations to establish a lactation station;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to provide baby changing station in government offices, resorts, seaports, airports, public service utilities, bus terminals, restaurants and other related food service establishments to maintain hygiene and provide convenience to parents who frequent these places.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod City that:

**Section 1.** Section 4 of City Ordinance No. 08-15-743, Series of 2015 shall be amended to read as follows:

**"SCOPE/APPLICABILITY** – The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to all hotels, malls, supermarkets, department stores, government offices, resorts, seaports, airports, public service utilities, bus terminals, restaurants and other related food service establishments in the City of Bacolod."

**Section 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS:**

- a. **Government Offices** – refers to all local and national government offices, agencies and government owned and controlled corporations
- b. **Other Related Food Service Establishment** – includes fastfood chain
- c. **Public Service Utilities** – business that furnishes an everyday necessity to the public at large. Public service utilities includes those that provide water, electricity, and telephone service.
- d. **Restaurant** – refers to those that can accommodate at least 100 people or more
- e. **Stand Alone Restaurants** – a restaurant that is not connected to another business and markets and maintains itself



**Section 3.** Section 5 of City Ordinance No. 08-15-743, Series of 2015 which reads shall be amended to read as follows:

**“ESTABLISHMENT OF MOTHER-BABY STATIONS** – The City of Bacolod mandates all hotels, malls, supermarkets, department stores, government offices, resorts, seaports, airports, public service utilities, bus terminals, restaurants and other related food service establishments to establish a Mother-Baby Station with a separate breastfeeding area and baby changing areas for the use of all its customers with the necessary equipment and facilities  
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**Section 4. RESTAURANTS AND OTHER RELATED FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS IN MALLS.** Restaurants and other related food service establishments without provisions for a comfort room need not provide a changing table but those with provisions for a comfort room must provide a changing table.

**Section 5.** Stand alone restaurants must provide one changing table inside their comfort rooms.

**Section 6. CHANGING TABLE REQUIREMENTS.** Changing tables should meet the following requirements:

- a. Have impervious, non-absorbent, smooth surfaces that do not trap soil and are easily disinfected;
- b. Be sturdy and stable to prevent tipping over;
- c. Be at a convenient height for use by parents/caregivers;
- d. Be equipped with railings or barriers that extend at least six (6) inches above the change surface;
- e. Must be near the sink for easy access to water.

**Section 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If for any reason, any part or provision of this ordinance is declared null and void, other parts or provisions which are not affected shall continue to be in full force and effect.

**Section 8. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All ordinances contrary or inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**Section 9. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the City of Bacolod.



CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative:

Councilors : Ricardo L. Tan, Caesar Z. Distrito, Cindy T. Rojas, Renecito S. Novero, Em L. Ang, Elmer T. Sy, Ana Marie V. Palermo, Dindo C. Ramos, Bartolome N. Orola, Sr., Noli B. Villarosa.

Negative : N o n e .

Absent : N o n e .

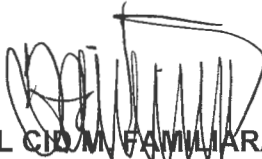
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Comments : P a s s e d .

Councilors Wilson C. Gamboa, Jr., Claudio Jesus Raymundo A. Puentevella and Sonya M. Verdeflor were not around when this ordinance was passed.

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ELPIDIO M. FAMILIARAN  
Vice Mayor  
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

  
ATTY. VICENTE C. PETIERRE III  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

APPROVED: March 20, 2018.

  
EVELIO R. LEONARDIA  
City Mayor

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