

**REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
TANGGAPAN NG SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
LUNGSOD NG BAKOLOD
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**CITY ORDINANCE NO. 1018
February 1, 2023**

AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE NUTRITION MONTH CELEBRATION EVERY JULY AS AN ANNUAL EVENT IN THE CITY OF BACOLOD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF.

WHEREAS, Section 15 of Article II 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, Presidential Decree 491, declared that Nutrition Month shall be held every July to create greater awareness of the importance of nutrition among Filipinos;

WHEREAS, the nutrition program, being concerned with human resource development, is a vital and integral part of social reform and economic development;

WHEREAS, The pandemic has made a huge impact on nutrition such as disruptions in the delivery of nutrition and related services, increased hunger incidence due, and many more. But there are also positive impacts such as innovation in service delivery, home food production, increased awareness of one's health and consuming healthy diets, and the solidarity amongst the people to help each other;

WHEREAS, The Nutrition Month campaign aims to highlight the importance of nutrition in recovery, stimulate discussions on how to build back better the design and delivery of nutrition interventions, and encourage the participation of various sectors to promote nutrition. The campaign calls upon stakeholders to implement evidence-based and innovative solutions to increase resilience and improved nutrition outcomes.

WHEREAS, in institutionalizing the Nutrition Month the City of Bacolod, NGOs, civil society organizations, and communities will enable to plan for the activities to strengthen nutrition intervention such as innovation in service delivery, home production increase awareness on one's health and consuming healthy diet and solidarity amongst Bacolodnon's.

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 **"BACOLOD CITY NUTRITION MONTH ORDINANCE"**.



Section 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.

The City Government of Bacolod shall uphold the right to food and nutrition of its constituents as a vital part of human development and optimum function. It recognizes that all nutrition interventions shall be anchored to the Philippine Government's commitment to Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and the over-all goal of Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition in improving the quality of the human resource base of the country and to have substantial decrease in child and maternal morbidity, mortality and over all disease burden. The City Government believes that it is the main responsibility of families in achieving nutritional well-being and thus, the duty of the government to help the families in the city especially those who are unable to enjoy the right to good nutrition. It also recognizes that multi-stakeholders' participation, evidence-based interventions, and good governance are the key elements for the nutrition improvement of the city.

Section 3. SCOPE - This ordinance shall be enforceable to all Barangay Nutrition Scholars in all 61 barangays who is incharge of implementing basic nutrition services in the City of Bacolod.

Section 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS. For the purpose of this ordinance, the following shall mean:

1. **Barangay Nutrition Scholars** - A BNS is a trained community worker and is bonafide resident of the barangay.
2. **Barangay Nutrition Committee** - in charge of the over-all nutrition program of the Barangay.
3. **City Nutrition Committee** - composed of the City Mayor, Chairman on Committee in Health and the Head of the City Nutrition Council.

Section 5. NUTRITION MONTH COMMITTEE ITS COMPOSITION AND DUTIES

The City Mayor as the Chief Executive of the City of Bacolod, shall create a Committee to handle the planning, preparation and celebration of the Nutrition Month Celebration to be composed of the following;

- a. Chairman - City Mayor
- b. Vice Chairman - Chairman on Committee on Health and Sanitation
- c. Members
 1. Representative from the City Health Office
 2. Representative from the City Nutrition Office
 3. Representative from the Nutrition council advocates from 61 Barangays of Bacolod
 4. Representative from the City Population Office



Section 6. NUTRITION MONTH ACTIVITIES

The Committee shall come up with a Schedule of Activities/ Events for the Nutrition Month Celebration as City's annual event.

The City of Bacolod through the Nutrition office shall endeavor to assist them to organize and initiate symposiums, forum, social, sports, and other events as they deemed applicable and relevant for the nutrition to have a memorable and colorful celebration but not limited to the following;

1. Annual Search for Outstanding Barangay Nutrition Scholars
2. Best implemented Barangay Nutrition Program
3. Launching of Nutrition Month
4. Culmination of Nutrition Month
5. Various Nutrition Month Activities and contest in line with the year's theme as determined by the National Nutrition Council.

Section 7. APPROPRIATION

The City of Bacolod shall appropriate an annual budget of Three Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php 300,000.00) to be taken from the General Fund for the purpose of this ordinance.

Section 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. – If any part of this Ordinance is declared as unconstitutional or unlawful, such declaration shall not affect the other parts or sections hereof that are not declared unlawful or unconstitutional.

Section 9. REPEALING CLAUSE. – All previous ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 10. Effectivity. – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative:

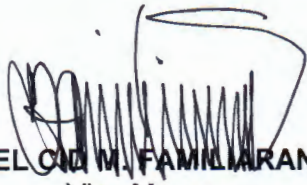
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Absent : None .

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Passed : February 1, 2023 (31st Regular Session of the 11th Council).
Comments : Passed.
Councilor Psyche Marie E. Sy was not around when this ordinance was passed.


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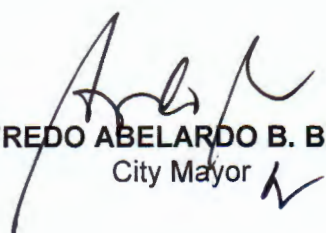
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CHRISTINE G. TEMPLA
Board Secretary IV

APPROVED: February 17, 2023.


ALFREDO ABELARDO B. BENITEZ
City Mayor

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DATE: Feb. 20, 2023 TIME: 9 AM

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