

AN ORDER CREATING THE COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN INCORPORATING THERETO THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE IN THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF MALOLOS

WHEREAS, Article XV, Section 3 (2) of the 1987 Constitution states that "The State shall defend the right of the children to assistance, including proper care and nutrition, and special protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, cruelty, exploitation, and other conditions prejudicial to their development."

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7610 of 1992 (An Act Providing for Stronger Deterrence and Special Protection Against Child Abuse, Exploitation and Discrimination, and for Other Purposes) reiterates the above constitutional principles and provides for sturdier prevention and distinctive fortification against child abuse, exploitation and discrimination;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8980 of 2000 (An Act Promulgating a Comprehensive Policy and a National System for Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD), Providing Funds Therefor and for Other Purposes) provides for the promotion of the rights of children to survival, development and special protection with full recognition of the nature of childhood and its special needs; and to support parents in their roles as primary caregivers and as their children's first teachers and through Section 8 (c) of the same, mandates the creation of a City Early Childhood Care and Development Coordinating Committee;

WHEREAS, Article 359 (3) of Republic Act No. 386 of 1949 (*An Act to Ordain and Institute the Civil Code of the Philippines*) provides for the promotion of full growth of the faculties of every child thru the establishment of councils for the protection of children;

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WHEREAS, Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) Memorandum Circular 2002-121 dated August 05, 2002 underscore the need to organize the LCPC not only in the barangays but also in all other Local Government Units (LGUs) to ensure synchronization and integration of policies, programs and projects for the protection of children;

WHEREAS, purpose and function of the Council for the Protection of Children and ECCD Coordinating Committee have closely similar objectives, thus, the need to incorporate the latter to the former;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ATTY. CHRISTIAN D. NATIVIDAD, City Mayor of the City of Malolos, Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by existing and applicable law, do hereby order:

SECTION I: COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN INCORPORATING THERETO THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE IN THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF MALOLOS.

Chairman	:	ATTY. CHRISTIAN D. NATIVIDAD City Mayor
Co-Chairman	:	HON. MIGUEL ALBERTO T. BAUTISTA City Vice Mayor
Members	:	HON. JOHN VINCENT G. VITUG III Chairman, Committee on Family Sangguniang Panlungsod

MS. DIGNA A. ENRIQUEZ City Local Government and Operations Officer IV

DR. NORMA P. ESTEBAN School Division Superintendent

MR. JOEL S. EUGENIO City Administrator

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ENGR. EUGENE N. CRUZ City Planning and Development Coordinator

DR. MINERVA B. SANTOS City Health Officer

MS. LOLITA SP. SANTOS, RSW City Social Welfare and Development Officer

PLTCOL FERDINAND D. GERMINO Chief of Police, PNP– Malolos

MS. LEILANI O. MACLANG City Budget Officer

MR. ANTHONY A. MENDOZA City Treasurer

HON. DIONISIO C. MENDOZA President Association of Barangay Captains

HON. PATRICK S. DELA CRUZ President Federation of Sangguniang Kabataan

MS. MARIANNE DC. MENDOZA Public Employment Services Officer

MR. IRENEO N. NIEBRES, SR. President, Parent Teachers Association

MS. EVANGELINE R. PAGUNTALAN City Nutrition Officer

MR. PAOLO DR. VILLAMOR President, PYAP (Youth Sector)

MS. EVELYN B. CRUZ President, PATAMABA (Labor Sector)

AMELITA R. PANGANIBAN President, AMMAYA

FERNANDO C. DE GUZMAN President, CMART

SECTION II. SECRETARIAT. The Secretariat support shall be lodged with the City Social Welfare and Development Office, who shall be responsible for the documentation of proceedings of meetings and preparation of reports and other necessary documentations as needed by the council/committee;

SECTION II: FUNCTIONS. The following are the functions of the Council for the Protection of Children Incorporating thereto the Early Childhood Care and Development Committee in the City Government of Malolos:

a. Formulate plans, programs and policies for children that are gender-fair, culturally relevant and responsive to the needs of diverse groups of children from 0 to below 18 years of age;

- b. Prepare AWFP for children and recommend appropriations to the Sanggunian;
- c. Provide coordinative linkages with other agencies and institutions in the planning, monitoring and evaluation of plans for children;
- d. Provide technical assistance and recommend financial support to the Barangay Council for the Protection of Children;
- e. Establish and maintain database on children in the city;
- f. Foster education of every child;
- g. Advocate for the establishment and maintenance of playgrounds, day care centers and other facilities necessary for child and youth development;
- h. Recommend local legislations promoting child survival, protection, participation and development, especially on the quality of television shows, media prints and coverage, which are detrimental to children, and with appropriate funding support;
- i. Assist children in need of special protection and refer cases filed against child abusers to proper agencies/institutions;
- j. Conduct capability building programs to enhance knowledge and skills in, handling children's program;
- k. Document barangay best practices on children;
- 1. Monitor and evaluate the implementation of the program and submit quarterly status reports to PCPC;
- m. Perform such other functions as provided for in the ECCD and other child related laws.

SECTION V. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - In the event that any section or part of this Order is held unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in full force or effect.

SECTION VI. REPEALING CLAUSE - All orders, issuances, memoranda or any part thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION VII. DISSEMINATION - A copy of this Executive Order shall be furnished to the Office of the Provincial Governor for its information and guidance pursuant to Sec. 455 (b)(1)(xii) of Chapter III Art. I of R.A. 7160 known as the "Local Government Code of 1991", and shall posted in the City Government of Malolos official website.

SECTION VIII. EFFECTIVITY - This Order shall take effect immediately upon signing.

SO ORDERED.

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Signed this ____ day of September, 2022, in the City of Malolos, Bulacan.

ATT D. NATIVIDA