



Republic of the Philippines  
**SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD**  
City of Mandaluyong

ORDINANCE NO. 630, S-2016

**AN ORDINANCE GRANTING MONTHLY EMOLUMENTS  
TO THE REMAINING SURVIVING VETERANS OF  
WORLD WAR II WHO ARE RESIDENTS  
OF THE CITY OF MANDALUYONG**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

On April 14, 2016, the City of Mandaluyong joined the entire nation in celebrating the National Veterans Week. The occasion was witnessed by many City Hall employees as well as guests and visitors who were at the Monday morning program that time. It was a somber sight to behold especially considering that of the remaining war veterans; only one was present and who was in such a physical state that no elder-loving citizen can withstand to see without even a slight empathy. As the guest speaker from the Veterans Office would put it, there are but a few remaining war veterans. And according to the guest speaker, these surviving veterans are only being given a monthly compensation of not less than 2,000.00 but not more than 2,500.00, a very sad fact considering that these war veterans gave their lives for the love of country during those dark years.

The Honorable Mayor BENJAMIN DC. ABALOS JR., in his weekly message, complimented the sufferings, struggles and sacrifices of the City's war veterans whom he surmised were at the young age of 12 to 18 years old when they first engaged the foreign enemies in the fight to regain the hardships suffered by the widows, sons, and daughters of the veterans. An impromptu donation of a brand new wheelchair was given by the Mayor to the only present veteran who was initially almost moved to tears but whose facial bearing quickly shifted to a much jovial mode as if a heavy burden was lifted from his frail shoulders as soon as he sat on the comfortable wheelchair to the delight of the people who witnessed the event.

WHEREAS, the City out of compassion granted One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) monthly financial assistance to surviving spouses of veterans in the City, in accordance with Ordinance No. 506, S-2012 and the amount of Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000.00) Post Mortuary Assistance to all recognized and duly enlisted war veterans of the City of Mandaluyong plus Ten Thousand Pesos to their lawful heirs given on April 9, 2008 (Araw ng Kagitingan), by virtue of Ordinance No. 394, S-2008;

WHEREAS, Mayor BENJAMIN DC. ABALOS JR., made a promise to the families of the surviving veterans that he will do everything within his authority and at the soonest possible time in finding ways to increase the monthly emoluments being awarded to the honorable men and women of the last world war. Thus, this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Mandaluyong, in session duly assembled:

SECTION 1. **COVERAGE.** Surviving war veterans as recognized by the commission/body duly authorized by the national government in overseeing the welfare of such veterans.

SECTION 2. EXTENT OF EMOLUMENTS. Each surviving veteran shall be given the amount of Eight Thousand Pesos (P8,000.00) as monthly allowance and supply of medicine/s for their ailments with an aggregate value of Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) as certified by the City's Health Department, for the remained of their twilight years.

SECTION 3. SOURCE OF FUNDS. For this purpose, a fund shall be appropriated chargeable against the Supplemental Budget should the said Appropriation so warrant, while the medicine shall be coursed through the Mandaluyong City Medical Center.

SECTION 4. INTERPRETATION OF THE ORDINANCE. This Ordinance in the event that a law with the same subject is already in existence shall be supplemental to the said prior law.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

ENACTED on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016 in the City of Mandaluyong.


I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE WAS ENACTED AND APPROVED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF MANDALUYONG IN A SPECIAL SESSION HELD ON THE DATE AND PLACE FIRST ABOVE GIVEN.

  
for MA. TERESA S. MIRANDA  
Acting Sanggunian Secretary

PRESIDED BY:

  
LUISITO E. ESPINOSA  
Councilor &  
Acting Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

  
BENJAMIN DC. ABALOS, JR.  
City Mayor

Date: JUN 23 2016