

Republic of the Philippines SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

City of Mandaluyong

ORDINANCE NO. 460, S-2011

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 248, S-2001
GRANTING TWO THOUSAND PESOS (Php2,000.00) AS
DEATH BENEFIT ASSISTANCE FOR A DECEASED
SENIOR CITIZEN OFFICIALLY REGISTERED
IN THE OFFICE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS
AFFAIRS (OSCA) CITY OF MANDALUYONG,
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9994, also known as the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010", is an Act Granting Additional Benefits and Privileges to Senior Citizens modifying Republic Act No. 7432 of 1992, as amended by Republic Act No. 9257 of 2003;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Mandaluyong enacted Ordinance No. 155, S-1995, "Extending Mortuary Assistance in the Amount of One Thousand Pesos (Php1,000.00) to the Heirs of Registered Senior Citizen of the Mandaluyong whose income is below Sixty Thousand Pesos (Php60,000.00) per annum" which ordinance was amended on December 12, 2001 by Ordinance No. 248, S-2001; "Amending Ordinance No. 155, S-1999 "Extending Mortuary Assistance in the Amount of Two Thousand Pesos (Php2,000.00) to the Heirs of the Registered Senior Citizen of Mandaluyong City whose income is below Sixty Thousand Pesos (Php60,000.00) Per Annum";

WHEREAS, the Mortuary Assistance of the City, as adopted, appears to be a token and meager financial assistance to a deceased Senior Citizen considering present conditions.

WHEREAS, there is a need to harmonize local ordinances with national statutes in order that the objective of both laws to provide assistance to all Senior Citizens regardless of income may be achieved.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod, upon motion duly seconded, in session assembled:

- SECTION 1. This Ordinance shall be known as an Ordinance granting Death Benefits Assistance in the Amount of Two Thousand Pesos (Php2,000.00) to a deceased senior citizen officially registered in the Office of the Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA), City of Mandaluyong, and appropriating funds for this purpose;
- The City Government of Mandaluyong shall allocate and appropriate financial assistance in the amount of Two Thousand Pesos (Php2,000.00) payable to the nearest surviving relative of a deceased senior citizen, whether by blood or affinity, preferably the legal spouse. Should there be no spouse who survives the decedent, the benefit granted under this Ordinance shall be given to relatives in the following order of degree of kinship: children, parents, siblings, grandchildren, aunts and uncles. In the case of an indigent senior citizen, to the benefactors or licensed foster parents.

- SECTION 3. The coverage shall likewise apply to senior citizens with "dual citizenship" provided that the Filipino Citizenship shall be established by competent documents and that the deceased shall have at least six (6) months residency in the Philippines, provided, further, that the deceased was registered with the OSCA of the City of Mandaluyong.
- SECTION 4. A senior citizen registered in the City of Mandaluyong who, at the time of death, was a resident of another place within the Philippines is still entitled to the benefit, provided that it could be established that there was no change in his place of registration to be certified by the OSCA of the City or Municipality where the death occurred that there is no record of registration in latter place.
- SECTION 5. The claim for financial assistance shall be filed within one (1) year from the time of death as appearing in the Death Certificate, otherwise, the claim shall be barred forever.
- SECTION 6. The amount of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php 1,500,000,00) annually shall be appropriated for this purpose.
- SECTION 7. PENAL PROVISION. Any employee of the City Government of Mandaluyong or the OSCA, in particular, who shall cause the intentional or unjustifiable delay or neglect of duty in the processing or releasing of the death benefit assistance herein granted shall be dealt with administratively.
- SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE. Any law, Ordinance, rule or regulation inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED on this 2nd day of May, 2011 in the City of Mandaluyong.

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

Sanggunian Secretary

ATTESTED:

APPROVED:

DANILO L. DE GUZMAN

City Wice Mayor & Presiding Officer

BENJAMIN DC. ABALOS, JR.

City Mayor

Date: MAY 0 9 2011