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CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

CITY ORDINANCE NO. 16-17 (GENERAL)

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PROHIBITING THE HILOTS/TRAINED HILOTS/TRADITIONAL BIRTH ATTENDANTS (TBA) TO HANDLE HOME BIRTH DELIVERIES IN THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS.

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) initiated the safe MOTHERHOOD PROGRAM such as "LIGTAS BUNTIS" and "LIGTAS NA PAGBUBUNTIS" Campaign to achieve the Millennium Development Goals target to maternal death and child mortality and morbidity reduction;

WHEREAS, the City Government through the City Health Office of General Trias has been strictly discouraging home birth deliveries attended by professional traditional birth attendant or "hilots" to prevent any complication that may arise during labor and delivery such as hemorrhage and sepsis;

WHEREAS, it is highly encouraged that childbirth should be ideally done at any birthing facility, maternity or lying-in clinic and hospitals to be attended by professional skilled birth attendants, midwives, nurses and doctors to avoid risks and complications;

WHEREAS, the presence of a skilled birth professional ensures hygiene during labor and delivery and also provides safe and non-traumatic care, recognizes complications and manage them effectively or refers competently the mother in labor to a higher level of care;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of General Trias together with the City Health Office declares that the purpose of this Ordinance is to implement the "NO HOME BIRTH DELIVERY POLICY" to reduce maternal and child mortality and mobility;

WHEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Kerby J. Salazar duly seconded by all Members present,

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod, that:

Section 1. TITLE. Ordinance shall be known as "An Ordinance Prohibiting the Trained/Untrained Hilots or Traditional Hilots to handle Home Birth Deliveries in the City".

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Section 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.

- Prenatal delivery and postnatal service on mothers be handled by skilled birth attendants including physicians, nurses and midwives only, other than that, shall be limited to supportive care only,
- To identify intervention to decrease incident of fetal and maternal death,
- Prioritization to support Health facility-based deliveries to be attended by skilled birth attendant, and
- To protect the mother and child during delivery and to avoid complication on both mother and child through the safe motherhood program.

Section 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS.

1. Birthing Home/Lying-in - health facilities providing services to pregnant and expectant mother. Barangay Health Stations are not considered as Birthing Home,
2. Fetal Death - death prior to the complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of human conception, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy and which is not an induced termination of pregnancy,
3. "Hilot" - refers to Traditional (Non-licensed) Birth Attendants,
4. Maternal Death - is the death of a woman while pregnant or within 42 days of termination of pregnancy, irrespective of the duration and site of the pregnancy, from any cause related to or aggravated by the pregnancy or its management but not from accidental or incidental causes,
5. Pregnancy - a maternal physiology function of a productive woman to host the product of fertilization (fetus) up to the termination of gestation in the uterus,
6. Safe Motherhood Program - provision of the comprehensive prenatal, natal, postnatal care for all pregnant mothers establishing/upgrading primary hospital, maternal clinic and other health facilities to provide obstetric care and provide supplemental feeding for malnourished pregnant women, and
7. Skilled Attendant - a midwife, physician, obstetrician, nurse, or other health care professional who provides basic and emergency health care services to women and their newborns during pregnancy, childbirth and the postpartum period.

Section 4. GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.

1. The Barangay Council shall have the advocacy in barangay assembly/ies to encourage pregnant women to deliver their babies in birthing homes,
2. Barangay Health Workers shall monitor the deliveries of pregnant women within their respective barangays and shall submit a report of birth deliveries to the City Health Office,
3. The City Health Office shall educate and monitor pregnant women; and implement "NO HOME DELIVERY POLICY" to reduce child mortality and morbidity,



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4. Health Attendants, Midwives and Traditional Birth Attendants are prohibited from performing home deliveries and deliveries at Barangay Health Stations,
5. Expectant mothers are required to deliver in the accredited birthing clinic and health facilities under the care of skilled health attendants such as Physicians, Nurses and Midwives,
6. Traditional Birth Attendants can still assist in deliveries but only in the Accredited Birthing Center or Health Facilities,
7. The Barangay Council shall allow the use of their Barangay Patrol to service the pregnant woman on the due date of the pregnancy to the hospital or authorized birthing facility, and
8. The Local Chief Executive with the assistance of the City Health Office may issue Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) in the implementation of this Ordinance wherever necessary.

Section 5. PENALTIES. In violation of this Ordinance, Health Practitioners and Traditional Birth Attendants shall be penalized as follows:

First Offense	-	Php 2 000.00,
Second Offense	-	3 000.00, and
Third Offense	-	5 000.00 and/or imprisonment for a period of six (6) months upon the discretion of the Court.


Section 6. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days from the date of its adoption and publication. The copies of this Ordinance shall be furnished all other authorities concerned for their information and appropriate action.

ENACTED under THIRD/FINAL READING on 09 DECEMBER 2016.


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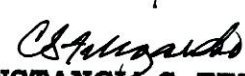

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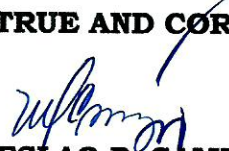


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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


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Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


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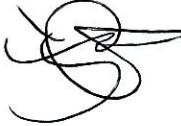
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