



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

**CITY ORDINANCE NO. 17-09 (GENERAL)**

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**REGULATING THE USE OF VIDEOKE AND OTHER AUDIO-AMPLIFIED MACHINES  
 IN THE CITY OF GENERAL TRIAS.**

WHEREAS, karaoke or videoke singing has been a favorite past time of Filipinos. However, karaoke singing becomes a nuisance, causing annoyance and stress to many and worse, the celebration leads to conflict and fistfight;

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 15 of the Constitution provides that "the state shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them". It also provides in Section 5 that "the maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty and property, and promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy";

WHEREAS, noise or sound pollution refers to any exposure of people to sound levels that are annoying, stressful or damaging to a person's ear. It interferes with sleep and negatively impacts certain kinds of work;

WHEREAS, one major source of noise among residential areas in the City of General Trias is the use of videoke/karaoke systems which causes serious discomfort and has created numerous complaints;

NOW THEREFORE, in an effort to minimize noise pollution, be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of General Trias in session assembled that:

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as the "VIDEOKE ORDINANCE OF GENERAL TRIAS".

**SECTION 2. REGULATED ACTS.** Any person or business establishment to cause excessive, unnecessary or unusually loud sound from the videoke and other sound amplifying equipment in the City of General Trias which annoys, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort and safety of people shall be unlawful. One can still operate these audio systems as long as it is within "acceptable" volume limits until 10:00pm with proper permits.

**SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS.** For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the corresponding meaning:

- a) Videoke/karaoke system - any audio/video equipment operated and built to produce images and/or lyrics of a song on a television

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screen to afford a person to sing along using any electronic devices. Such operation may be free or for free or thru operation by dropping tokens or coins on the machine;

- b) **Sound Amplifying Equipment** - any machine or device that is used for the amplification of the human voice, music or any other sound.

**SECTION 4. EXEMPTIONS.** Business establishments like videoke/resto bar with sound proof facilities can operate 24 hours. Occasions like 18<sup>th</sup> birthday, christmas party, battle of the bands, singing contest, pageant, fiesta and meeting de avance can extend until 2:00am with proper permit from Sangguniang Barangay or Homeowners Associations. Wake with videoke is until 12:00 midnight.

**SECTION 5. PENALTIES.** Any person or business entity who violates the prohibitions shall be imposed a fine:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Offense : Confiscation of machine and fine of Php 3 000.00,  
2<sup>nd</sup> Offense : Confiscation of machine and fine of Php 4 000.00,  
3<sup>rd</sup> Offense : Confiscation of machine and fine of Php 5 000.00  
for residential and cancellation of Mayor's Permit  
for Business.

The confiscated videoke machines shall be kept in the City Hall and be redeemed by the owners within 45 days. If the machines are not redeemed on time, they shall be sold at auction or destroyed to disable the machines permanently.

**SECTION 6. IMPLEMENTING AGENCIES.** The Sangguniang Barangay and City of General Trias PNP shall promulgate the rules and regulations to carry out the provision of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 7. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All ordinances, orders, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby amended, modified or repealed accordingly.

**SECTION 8. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after its required period of publication or posting.

ENACTED under THIRD READING on 11 JULY 2017.

  
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