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PRESENT:

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| Vice Mayor Jan Marianne R. Fontelera | - Presiding Officer |
| Councilor Apple Joy B. Tolentino | - Presiding Officer Pro-Tempore |
| Councilor Carolyn D. Sison | - Majority Floor Leader |
| Councilor Kelvin Theus O. Humilde | - Minority Floor Leader |
| Councilor Verna S. D. Rabago | - Assistant Majority Floor Leader |
| Councilor Joselito O. Fontelera | - Member |
| Councilor Raul B. Bacay | - Member |
| Councilor Dahlia M. de Leon | - Member |
| Councilor Oscar A. Boling, Sr. | - Member |
| Councilor Froebel A. Ranoy | - Member |
| Councilor Walter M. Macaiba | - Member |
| LBP Alex A. Recosana | - Ex-Officio Member |
| PPSKP Lovely V. Bernabe | - Ex-Officio Member |

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ORDINANCE NO. 2024-30

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY ORDINANCE NO. 2019-09, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ALAMINOS CITY SOLO PARENTS WELFARE ORDINANCE, CREATING A SOLO PARENTS' OFFICE, DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS, PROVIDING FOR ITS PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT AND PROGRAM GUIDELINES, ALLOCATING FUNDS FOR ITS OPERATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Sponsored by: Councilor Carolyn D. Sison

EXPLANATORY NOTE

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Republic Act No. 8972, otherwise known as the "Solo Parents' Welfare Act of 2000", provides that *"It is the policy of the State to promote the family as the foundation of the nation, strengthen its solidarity and ensure its total development. Towards this end, it shall develop a comprehensive program of services for solo parents and their children;"*

WHEREAS, in its continuing thrust to ensure support for solo parents in the city, the august body duly enacted Ordinance No. 2019-09 on 12 November 2019;

WHEREAS, considering the evolving trends and societal dynamics, the august body has revisited Ordinance No. 2019-09 and determined that certain provisions require amendment to better address the current needs and circumstances of the city;"

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WHEREFORE, premises considered and on motion of Councilor Carolyn D. Sison, duly seconded by all members present

BE IT ENACTED, AS IT IS HEREBY ENACTED, BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD in a session duly assembled, that:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 entitled "*ALAMINOS CITY SOLO PARENTS WELFARE ORDINANCE.*", is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Title. — This ordinance shall be known as the **Expanded Solo Parent Ordinance of Alaminos City.**"

SECTION 2. Section 2 of Ordinance 2019-09 is amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 2. Definition of Terms. — As used in this ordinance and pursuant to Republic Act No. 11861, Republic Act No. 8972, and their Implementing Rules and Regulation (IRR), the following terms shall mean:

1. **Child minding center** refers to a facility or area within the workplace, or in locations accessible to the solo parent or the workplace of the guardian, provided by the employer, where the children of a solo parent employee, aged seven (7) years old and below, are habitually received for care and supervision during working hours;
2. **Children or dependents** refer to those living with and dependent upon the solo parent for support, who are unmarried, unemployed, and twenty-two (22) years old or below, or those over twenty-two (22) years old but unable to fully care for or protect themselves from abuse, neglect, cruelty, exploitation, or discrimination due to a physical or mental disability or condition: Provided, that this definition shall only apply for purposes of availing benefits under this Ordinance;
3. **Flexible work schedule** refers to a work arrangement granted to a solo parent employee, allowing them to vary their arrival and departure times in the workplace without affecting the core work hours, as defined by the employer;
4. **Parental care and support** refer to the acts of providing for the basic needs, healthcare, mental and physical safety, emotional support, and personality development of the child;
5. **Parental leave** refers to leave benefits granted to a solo parent to enable the performance of parental duties and responsibilities where their physical presence is required or beneficial to the child;
6. **Parental responsibility**, with respect to minor children, refers to the rights and duties of parents as defined in Article 220 of Executive Order No. 209, as amended, otherwise known as the "Family Code of the Philippines;"
7. **Spouse** refers to a husband or wife by virtue of a valid marriage, or a partner in a common-law relationship as defined under Article 147 of Executive Order No. 209, otherwise known as "The Family Code of the Philippines;"

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8. **Solo parent** refers to any individual who falls under the categories of a solo parent as defined in Section 3 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. A new section to be denominated as Section 3 of the same Ordinance is hereby added to read as follows:

“SECTION 3. Categories of Solo Parent. — A solo parent refers to any individual who falls under any of the following categories:

- a. A parent who provides sole parental care and support for the child or children due to:
 1. Birth as a consequence of rape, even without final conviction: *Provided*, That the mother has sole parental care and support of the child or children: *Provided*, further, That the solo parent under this category may still be considered a solo parent under any of the other categories in this section;
 2. Death of the spouse;
 3. Detention of the spouse for at least three (3) months, or service of sentence for a criminal conviction;
 4. Physical or mental incapacity of the spouse, as certified by a public or private medical practitioner;
 5. Legal separation or de facto separation for at least six (6) months, where the solo parent is entrusted with sole parental care and support of the child or children;
 6. Declaration of nullity or annulment of marriage, as decreed by a court recognized by law, or due to divorce (subject to existing laws), where the solo parent is entrusted with sole parental care and support of the child or children; or
 7. Abandonment by the spouse for at least six (6) months;
- b. Spouse or any family member of an Overseas Filipino Worker (OFW), or the guardian of the child or children of an OFW: *Provided*, That the said OFW belongs to the low/semi-skilled worker category and is away from the Philippines for an uninterrupted period of twelve (12) months: *Provided*, further, That the OFW, his or her spouse, family member, or guardian of the child or children of an OFW falls under the requirements of this section;
- c. Unmarried mother or father who keeps and rears the child or children;
- d. Any legal guardian, adoptive or foster parent who solely provides parental care and support to a child or children;
- e. Any relative within the fourth (4th) civil degree of consanguinity or affinity of the parent or legal guardian who assumes parental care and support of the child or children due to the death, abandonment, disappearance, or absence of the parents or solo parent for at least six (6) months: *Provided*, That in cases where solo grandparents, who are senior citizens, have sole parental care and support over their unmarried, unemployed grandchildren who are twenty-two (22) years

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old or below, or those over twenty-two (22) years old but unable to fully care for or protect themselves from abuse, neglect, cruelty, exploitation, or discrimination because of a physical or mental disability or condition, they shall be entitled to the benefits of this Ordinance, in addition to the benefits granted to them by Republic Act No. 9257, otherwise known as the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2003;" or

- f. A pregnant woman who provides sole parental care and support to the unborn child or children."

SECTION 4. Section 3 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 is amended as follows:

"SECTION 4. Identification of Solo Parent. — A solo parent seeking benefits under this Ordinance shall be qualified and identified based on the following:

- a. Must fall within the definition of "solo parent" under Section 3 of this Ordinance;
- b. Must be a resident of Alaminos City, Pangasinan, as certified by the Punong Barangay;
- c. Must have been issued a Solo Parent Identification Card (SPIC) by the Solo Parents Office.

SECTION 5. Section 4 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 is amended as follows:

"SECTION 5. The Solo Parents Office. — A Solo Parents Office (SPO) shall be created to aid in the monitoring, enforcement, and implementation of this Ordinance.

The SPO shall have at least three (3) staff members with a designation of Social Welfare Officer I, regardless of licensure pursuant to Republic Act 4373, otherwise known as the Act to Require the Practice of Social Work and the Operation of Social Work Agencies in the Philippines. The Office of the City Mayor shall exercise supervision over the SPO concerning their plans, programs, and activities.

Functions of the Solo Parents Office – The SPO shall:

- (a) Plan, implement, and monitor yearly work programs in pursuance of the objectives of this Ordinance;
- (b) Draw up a list of available and required services for solo parents;
- (c) Maintain and regularly update, on a quarterly basis, the list of solo parents;
- (d) Issue free Solo Parent Identification Cards and booklets to qualified solo parents
- (e) Serve as a general information and liaison center for solo parents;
- (f) Monitor compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance, particularly the grant of privileges and additional benefits;
- (g) Report to the City Mayor or the City Social Welfare and Development Office any individual, establishment, business entity, institution, or agency that violates any provision of this Ordinance; and



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(h) Assist solo parents in filing complaints against any individual, establishment, business entity, institution, or agency that refuses or fails to provide the privileges and additional benefits granted to solo parents under this Ordinance.”

5.1. Head of SPO. – The SPO shall be headed by a licensed social worker holding a permanent position with at least a Salary Grade (SG) 12.

5.2. Qualifications and Functions of the Head of SPO

a. QUALIFICATIONS:

SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICER II
 Salary Grade (SG) 15/1

Education : Bachelor’s Degree in Social Work
 Eligibility : RA 1080 – Registered Social Worker
 Training : Four (4) hours of relevant training
 Experience : One (1) year of relevant experience

b. FUNCTIONS:

The SPO shall lead the Solo Parents Office, and shall establish linkages and collaborate with accredited civil society organizations, non-governmental organizations, political organizations, and act as solo parent focal persons of every barangay in the City of Alaminos.

SECTION 6. Section 5 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 is amended as follows:

“SECTION 6. Issuance of Solo Parent ID Card (SPIC) and Booklet. - The Solo Parents Office (SPO) shall review and verify the documents submitted by the applicant and shall cause the issuance of a SPIC which shall be considered as competent evidence of identity and the entitlement to the benefits under this Ordinance or existing law within seven (7) working days from receipt of the complete documents:

The SPIC and booklet shall be valid for one (1) year, subject to renewal conditioned upon the assessment and evaluation of the solo parent by the social worker.

I. SPIC Information and Format.

The SPIC shall include the following particulars:

(a) On its frontal side:

- (1) The full name (first, middle and last name) of the solo parent
- (2) Date and place of birth of the solo parent
- (3) Residence address of the solo parent





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- (4) Solo parent category
- (5) Photograph of the solo parent taken at the CSWDO at the time of application or renewal of the SPIC
- (6) Signature and/or thumbprint of the solo parent
- (7) Validity period of the SPIC

(b) On its dorsal side:

- (1) Name/s, birth date/s, and relation to the solo parent of the qualified children and/or dependents
- (2) Signatures, names, and designations of City Mayor and of the Head Social Worker of the CSWDO
- (3) At the option of the solo parent, his/her contact details may be indicated.

II. Documentary Requirements for Issuance of Solo Parent ID and Booklet.

For purposes of registration and issuance of SPIC and booklet, the solo parent shall submit authenticated or certified true copies of the following documents to the SPO:

- A) Two (2) pieces 1x1 ID picture;
- B) Accomplished application form from the City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO);
- C) Documents as needed for each Solo Parent Category under Section 3 and Section 8 of this Ordinance, to wit:
 - a. For the solo parent with child or children as a consequence of rape falling under Section 3(a)(1) of this Ordinance:
 - (1) Birth certificate/s of the child or children.
 - (2) Complaint affidavit.
 - (3) Medical record on the incident of rape.
 - (4) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent has the sole parental care and support of the child or children at the time of the execution of affidavit: *Provided*, That for purposes of issuance of subsequent SPIC and booklet, only the sworn affidavit shall be submitted every year; and
 - (5) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent.
 - b. For the solo parent on account of the death of the spouse falling under Section 3(a)(2) of this Ordinance:
 - (1) Birth certificate of the child or children.
 - (2) Marriage certificate.
 - (3) Death certificate of the spouse.
 - (4) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent is not cohabiting with a partner or co-parent, and has the sole parental care and support of the child or children: *Provided*, That for purposes of issuances of subsequent SPIC and booklet, only the sworn affidavit shall be submitted every year; and



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- (5) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent.
- c. For the solo parent on account of the detention or criminal conviction of the spouse falling under Section 3(a)(3) of this Ordinance:
- (1) Birth certificate/s of the child or children.
 - (2) Marriage certificate.
 - (3) Certificate of detention or a certification that the spouse is serving sentence for at least three (3) months issued by the law-enforcement agency having actual custody of the detained spouse or commitment order by the court pursuant to a conviction of the spouse.
 - (4) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent is not cohabiting with a partner or co-partner, and has sole parental care and support of the child and children: *Provided*, That for purposes of issuance of subsequent SPIC and booklet, requirement numbers (3) and (4) under this paragraph shall be submitted every year; and
 - (5) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent.
- d. For solo parent on account of physical or mental incapacity of the spouse falling under Section 3(a)(4) of this Ordinance:
- (1) Birth certificate/s of the child or children.
 - (2) Marriage certificate or affidavit of cohabitation.
 - (3) Medical records, medical abstract, or a certificate of confinement in the National Center for Mental Health or any medical hospital or facility as a result of the spouse's physical or mental incapacity, which record, medical abstract or certificate of confinement of the incapacitated spouse should have been issued not more than three (3) months before the submission, or a valid Person With Disability ID issued pursuant to Republic Act No. 10754 and Republic Act No. 7277, or the Magna Carta for Disabled Persons;
 - (4) Sworn affidavit that the solo parent is not cohabiting with a partner or co-parent and has sole parental care and support of the child or children: *Provided*, That for purposes of issuance of subsequent SPIC and booklet, requirement numbers (3) and (4) under this paragraph shall be submitted every year; and
 - (5) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent.
- e. For the solo parent on account of legal or de facto separation of spouse falling under Section 3(a)(5) of this Ordinance:
- (1) Birth certificate/s of the child or children.
 - (2) Marriage certificate.



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- (3) Judicial decree of legal separation of the spouses or, in the case of de facto separation, an affidavit of two (2) disinterested persons attesting to the fact of separation of the spouses; and
 - (4) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent is not cohabiting with a partner or co-parent, and has sole parental care and support of the child or children: *Provided*, That for purposes of issuance of subsequent SPIC and booklet, requirement numbers (3) and (4) under this paragraph shall be submitted every year; and
 - (5) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent.
- f. For the solo parent on account of declaration of nullity or annulment of marriage or divorce falling under Section 3(1)(5) of this Ordinance:
- (1) Birth certificate/s of the child or children.
 - (2) Marriage certificate, annotated with the fact of declaration of nullity of marriage or annulment of marriage.
 - (3) Judicial decree of nullity or annulment of marriage or judicial recognition of foreign divorce.
 - (4) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent is not cohabiting with a partner or co-parent and has sole parental care and support of the child or children: *Provided*, That for purposes of issuance of subsequent SPIC and booklet, only the sworn affidavit shall be submitted every year; and
 - (5) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent.
- g. For the solo parent on account of abandonment by the spouse falling under Section 3(a)(7) of this Ordinance:
- (1) Birth certificate/s of the child or children.
 - (2) Marriage certificates or affidavit of the applicant solo parent.
 - (3) Affidavit of two (2) disinterested persons attesting to the fact of abandonment of the spouse.
 - (4) Police or barangay record of the fact of abandonment.
 - (5) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent is not cohabiting with a partner or co-parent, and has sole parental care and support of the child or children: *Provided*, That for purposes of issuance of subsequent SPIC and booklet, only sworn affidavit shall be submitted every year; and
 - (6) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent.
- h. For the spouse or any family member of an OFW falling under Section 3(b) of this Ordinance:
- (1) Birth certificate/s of dependents.



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- (2) Marriage certificate, if the applicant is the spouse of the OFW, or birth certificate or the other competent proof of the relationship between the applicant and the OFW, if the applicant is a family member of the OFW.
 - (3) Philippine Overseas Employment Administration Standard Employment Contract (POEA-SEC) or its equivalent document.
 - (4) Photocopy of the OFW's passport with stamps showing continuous twelve (12) months of overseas work, or a certification from the Bureau of Immigration.
 - (5) Proof of income of the OFW's spouse or family member.
 - (6) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent is not cohabiting with a partner or co-parent and has sole parental care and support of the child or children: *Provided*, That for purposes of issuance of subsequent SPIC and booklet, requirement numbers (3), (4), (5), and (6) under this paragraph shall be submitted every year; and
 - (7) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent.
- i. For the unmarried father or mother who keeps and rears the child or children falling under Section 3(c) of this Ordinance:
 - (1) Birth certificate/s of the child or children.
 - (2) Certificate of No Marriage (CENOMAR).
 - (3) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent is not cohabiting with a partner or co-parent and has sole parental care and support of the child or children: *Provided*, That for the purposes of issuance of subsequent SPIC and booklet, requirement numbers (2), (3) and (4) under this paragraph shall be submitted every year; and
 - (4) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent.
 - j. For the solo parent who is a legal guardian, adoptive or foster parent falling under Section 3(d) of this Ordinance:
 - (1) Birth certificate/s of the child or children.
 - (2) Proof of guardianship, such as the decision granting legal guardianship issued by a court; proof of adoption, such as the decree of adoption issued by a court, or order of Adoption issued by the DSWD or the National Authority on Child Care (NACC); proof of foster care such as the Foster Parent License issued by the DSWD or the NACC.
 - (3) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent is not cohabiting with a partner or co-parent and has sole parental care and support of the child or children: *Provided*, That for purposes of issuance of subsequent SPIC and booklet, requirement number (3) and (4) under this paragraph shall be submitted every year; and



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- (4) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent.
- k. For any relative within fourth (4th) civil degree of consanguinity or affinity of the parent or legal guardian who assumes parental care and support of the child or children falling under Section 3(e) of this Ordinance:
 - (1) Birth certificate/s of the child or children.
 - (2) Death certificate, certificate of incapacity, or judicial declaration of absence or presumptive death of the parents or legal guardian; police or barangay records evidencing the fact of disappearance or absence of the parent or legal guardian for at least six (6) months.
 - (3) Proof of relationship of the relative to the parent or legal guardian, such as birth certificate, marriage certificate, family records, or other similar or analogous proof of relationship.
 - (4) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent has sole parental care and support of the child or children: *Provided*, That for purposes of issuance of subsequent SPIC and booklet, requirement numbers (3) and (4) under this paragraph shall be submitted every year; and
 - (5) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay and that the child or children is/are under the parental care and support of the solo parent; and
- l. For the solo parent who is a pregnant woman falling under Section 3(f) of this Ordinance:
 - (1) Medical record of her pregnancy.
 - (2) Affidavit of a barangay official attesting that the solo parent is a resident of the barangay; and
 - (3) Sworn affidavit declaring that the solo parent is not cohabiting with a partner or co-parent who is providing support to the pregnant woman.
- m. For the solo parent availing subsidy and discounts provided for under Section 8 of this Ordinance, the following additional documentary requirements shall be submitted:
 - (1) Affidavit of no employment.
 - (2) Income Tax Return (ITR) or similar tax returns, if permanently employed but earning below minimum or minimum wage.
 - (3) Social case study issued by the CSWDO; or
 - (4) Any verifiable proof of income or Certificate of Indigency.

Custodians of the documents, records, data, or information shall ensure that utmost confidentiality of the same, in compliance with R.A. 10173, or the "Data Privacy Act of 2012".



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SECTION 7. Section 6 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 is amended as follows:

“SECTION 7. Incorporation of Welfare Services, Privileges and Benefits.
 — Notwithstanding that the mandate under Republic Act No. 8972, as amended by Republic Act No. 11861, remains with the national government, its agencies and instrumentalities, by the amendment of RA No. 8972, the City of Alaminos, Pangasinan formally imposes upon itself the expanded obligation to provide the solo parents and their children the welfare services and special privileges and benefits that the amendment has enumerated, such as livelihood assistance, counseling, parent effectiveness services, critical incident stress debriefing, among others.

SECTION 8. Section 7 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 is amended as follows:

“SECTION 8. Additional Benefits. — A solo parent shall be entitled to the following additional benefits:

- a. **Monthly cash subsidy** of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) per month per solo parent who is earning a minimum wage and below, to be allocated by the City Government of Alaminos in accordance with Section 17(b)(2)(iv) of the Local Government Code, provided, that the solo parent under this section is not a recipient of any other cash assistance or subsidy from any other government programs: Provided that the beneficiary who is also a senior citizen or a person with disability (PWD) may continue receiving senior citizen or PWD benefits without forfeiting the benefits under R.A. No. 8972, as amended by R.A. No. 11861;
- b. **Tertiary Scholarship Assistance.** Subject to compliance with the requirements under the Alaminos City Scholarship Program, at least ten percent (10%) of every batch of incoming scholars shall come from the ranks of the children of indigent solo parents;
- c. **Housing services.** No less than five percent (5%) of the beneficiaries in any new housing site under the city’s Socialized Housing Program shall come from the ranks of the solo parents subject to the program’s requisites;
- d. **Death or Burial Assistance.** An indigent solo parent and his/her unemancipated child shall be entitled to a death benefit or burial assistance of Two Thousand Pesos (PhP2,000.00) without prejudice to increasing the same at the City Mayor’s discretion when the city’s budget so permits;
- e. **Medical Assistance.** An indigent solo parent or his/her unemancipated child shall be prioritized in all the medical assistance programs of the City Government of Alaminos, Pangasinan;
- f. **Livelihood Assistance.** Solo parents shall have priority in the grant of livelihood assistance under any of the city’s applicable programs or projects, subject to the qualification requirements under existing ordinance, rule and regulation; and





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- g. **Other services, privileges and benefits** that city is currently giving or may subsequently offer.

SECTION 9. A new section to be denominated as Section 9 of the same Ordinance is hereby added to read as follows:

“SECTION 9. Social Safety Assistance. — Pursuant to Section 14 of R.A. No. 8972, as amended by R.A. No. 11861, during disasters, calamities, pandemics, and other public health crises as may be declared by the Department of Health (DOH), all solo parents and their children who are residents of Alaminos City, Pangasinan are entitled to social safety assistance, such as food, medicines, and financial aid for domicile repair, subject to the guidelines of the DSWD. The City shall ensure that the budget for social safety assistance is included in its calamity fund.”

SECTION 10. Section 7 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 is amended as follows:

“SECTION 10. Monitoring and Evaluation of Program. — A Solo Parent and their Children Task Force shall be created to aid in the implementation, enforcement and monitoring of this Ordinance, as well as to conduct educational awareness campaigns, information dissemination programs, and capacity building programs, that will inform the constituents and train stakeholders.

The Solo Parent and their Children Task Force shall perform the following relative to the welfare of solo parents and their families:

- a) Conduct research necessary to:
 1. Develop a new body of knowledge on solo parents and their children;
 2. Define executive and legislative measures needed to promote and protect the interest of solo parents and their children; and
 3. Assess the effectiveness of programs designed for disadvantaged solo parents and their children;
- b) Coordinate the activities of various governmental and non-governmental organizations engaged in promoting and protecting the interests of solo parents and their children; and
- c) Monitor the implementation of the provisions of this Ordinance and recommend mechanisms by which such provisions are effectively implemented.

The Solo Parent and their Children Task Force shall be composed of the following:

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| 1) City Mayor | - Honorary Chairperson |
| 2) City Social Welfare and Development Officer | - Chairperson |



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| 3) Solo Parent Officer | - Member |
| 4) City Councilor (Chairperson, Committee on Family and Social Welfare, Women, Persons with Disabilities and Senior Citizens | - Member |
| 5) City Councilor (Chairperson, Committee on Education) | - Member |
| 6) City Health Officer | - Member |
| 7) Superintendent, Alaminos City Schools Division | - Member |
| 8) City Cooperatives Development Officer | - Member |
| 9) At least two (2) Representatives of any of the Solo Parents Associations in the city to be designated by the City Mayor | - Member |

The Solo Parent Office shall serve as the Secretariat of the Task Force.

SECTION 11. Section 8 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 is amended as follows:

“SECTION 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations and Compliance Report. — Within six (6) months from the effectivity of this Ordinance, the Solo Parent and their Children Task Force shall issue the implementing rules, regulations and guidelines for the proper implementation of this Ordinance.

The CSWDO, in coordination with the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), shall establish and maintain a centralized database of all solo parents who have been issued SPIC or booklets by the SPO. The list of solo parents receiving benefits under R.A. No. 8972, as amended by R.A. No. 1186, shall be submitted to the DSWD on a quarterly basis.

The Solo Parent and their Children Task Force shall submit a report to the Sangguniang Panlungsod, based on the reports submitted by all concerned departments and agencies, in compliance with this Ordinance.”

SECTION 12. Section 9 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 is amended as follows:

“SECTION 12. Limitation and Grounds for Termination of the Benefits of a Solo Parent. —

- a. Only a solo parent exercising sole parental care and support of the child or children is entitled to claim the benefits of solo parent under this Ordinance: That a solo parent shall not lose his or her status as solo parent if the other parent provides occasional assistance and/or seasonal gifts that do not meet the legal requirement of support under The Family Code of the

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Philippines: *Provided*, further, That the absence of a valid and legal marriage between the mother and father of a child or dependent does not automatically entitle either individual to the benefits under this Ordinance if the factual circumstances demonstrate that parental care and support are shared.

- b. When a solo parent, as defined under this Ordinance, ceases to be such by reason of change of status and circumstances, the said solo parent shall be ineligible to avail of the benefits under this Ordinance.
- c. A solo parent shall manifest to the Solo Parents Office his/her intention to withdraw the availment of the benefits under this ordinance. The Solo Parent Officer shall provide the necessary form with regards to the withdrawal and/or termination of the Solo Parent Benefits.
- d. If the solo parent does not voluntarily manifest his/her intention to terminate the provision of benefits and services before the lapse of one year from the issuance of the Solo Parent I.D., the SPO, based on a report by the employer or any interested person, shall conduct the necessary assessment/evaluation to ascertain if grounds for termination and withdrawal of benefits exist.
- e. The solo parent concerned shall be informed of the results of the assessment/evaluation and termination of the service, if warranted, through written notice. The termination shall take effect thirty (30) days from the receipt of the notice of termination. In cases when the service cannot be terminated in a period of one (1) month, such as, but not limited to, schooling and medical services, the service(s) shall be completed until its due time.
- f. The Solo Parent Identification Card shall cease to be effective upon the lapse of one year from issuance, unless renewed based on a new assessment and evaluation. Failure to renew will mean that he/she has changed his/her status as a solo parent.

SECTION 13. Section 10 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 is amended as follows:

"SECTION 13. Prohibited Acts and Penalties. —

- (a) Any person, corporation, entity or agency that refuses or fails to provide the benefits granted to the solo parent in violation of this Ordinance shall be penalized as follows:

First Offense – a fine of not less than Three Thousand Pesos (P3,000.00)

Second Offense- a fine of not less than Four Thousand Pesos (P4,000.00)

Third and succeeding Offense/s- a fine of Five Thousand Pesos or imprisonment of not less than six (6) months but not more than one (1) year, or both, at the discretion of the court.

- (b) If the offender is a corporation, partnership, organization or any similar entity, the officials and employees who directly participated in the violation/s shall be held liable. The City may, after due notice and hearing, also cause the cancellation or revocation of the business permit, permit to operate, franchise and other similar privileges granted to any business that fails to abide by the provisions of this Ordinance



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- (c) Any person who misrepresents status or falsifies any document to avail of the benefits, or cause another person to avail or be denied of the benefits provided under this Ordinance, or any person who abuses the privileges and benefits granted herein shall be punished with a fine of not more than Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) and imprisonment of not less than six (6) months but not more than one (1) year, or both, at the discretion of the court.

When the offender or the person responsible for the offenses punishable under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section is a public officer or employee as defined in Executive Order No. 292, or the 'Administrative Code of 1987', and the offense was committed in the exercise of official duties, such officer or employee shall suffer the penalty of removal from office and perpetual disqualification from holding public office, in addition to the penalty provided in the preceding paragraph.

The penalties under this Ordinance shall be without prejudice to the imposition of higher penalties existing under other laws."

SECTION 14. A new section to be denominated as Section 14 of the same Ordinance is hereby added to read as follows:

"SECTION 14. Observance of the National Solo Parents Day and Week. — The City of Alaminos shall observe and celebrate the National Solo Parents Day and Week every third week and third Saturday of April of every year and shall prepare activities to commemorate the same."

SECTION 15. A new section to be denominated as Section 15 of the same Ordinance is hereby added to read as follows:

"SECTION 15. Information Dissemination. — The City, through the assistance of all Sangguniang Barangays, shall maximize its effort in information dissemination to all solo parents of Alaminos City, Pangasinan regarding the new mandates under RA. 11861."

SECTION 16. A new section to be denominated as Section 16 of the same Ordinance is hereby added to read as follows:

"SECTION 16. Duties and Responsibilities of the Barangays in Alaminos City, Pangasinan. — All Sangguniang Barangays (SB) of the city are enjoined to:

- a) Pass an ordinance, in line with the provisions stated in RA. 11861, to ensure that the City of Alaminos effectively responds to the mandates of the law and maximize its efforts in reaching all its target beneficiaries;
- b) Assist the City Government of Alaminos City in identifying and informing beneficiaries of the law as well as the implementation of its new provisions."

SECTION 17. Section 11 of Ordinance No. 2019-09 is amended as follows.



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“SECTION 17. Source of Funds. — The amount of Two Million Pesos shall be charged against the Gender and Development (GAD) budget or other sources of funds, subject to availability thereof and to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 18. REPEALING CLAUSE. — All Ordinances, Resolutions, Executive Orders, Rules and Regulations and other administrative issuances, or the provisions thereof, which are contrary to, or inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 19. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. — If any provision of this Ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 20. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. — This Code shall take effect upon compliance with the applicable statutory provisions.

APPROVED.....

I **HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance consisting of sixteen (16) pages including this page.


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