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Declaring Total Commitment and Support to the Responsible Parenthood Movement in the City of Manila and Enunciating Policy Declarations in Pursuit Thereof

WHEREAS, the City of Manila recognizes its vital role as catalyst for change in the attainment of its goal and policies;

WHEREAS, the City believes that the family, being the basic unit of society, has an important role in the comprehensive development of its citizenry;

WHEREAS, the City firmly believes in the sanctity of life and supports the Constitution in the protection of life of the mother and the unborn;

WHEREAS, the City is aware of its duty in molding the children to become effective citizens;

WHEREAS, the City takes an affirmative stand on pro-life issues and responsible parenthood;

WHEREAS, the City condemns criminal abortion, euthanasia, divorce and same sex internarrriages as amoral and deplorable practices that weaken the basic unit of family and society;

WHEREAS, the City promotes responsible parenthood and upholds natural family planning not just as a method but as a way of self-awareness in promoting the culture of life while discouraging the use of artificial methods of contraception like condoms, pills, intrauterine devices, surgical sterilization, and other;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSE L. ATIENZA, JR., Mayor of the City of Manila, by virtue of the power vested upon by law, do hereby declare total commitment and support to the Responsible Parenthood Movement in the City of Manila and in pursuit thereof, enunciate the following policy declarations:

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1. That all health and social services shall promote responsible parenthood by providing the youth with adequate modes of support to develop as model parents in their own time;

2. That the City shall advocate active citizen participation in implementing policies and programs in collaboration with various non-government, religious and other civic organizations;

3. That the City shall establish programs and activities in City Health Department and its health centers, Ospital ng Maynila Medical Center, Gat. Andres Bonifacio Memorial Medical Center, Ospital ng Tondo, Ospital ng Sampaloc as well as the Department of Social Welfare which promote and offer as integral part of their functions counseling facilities for natural family planning and responsible parenthood;

4. That the various activities geared on moral rejuvenation shall be encouraged to equip its people against amoral influences brought about by the excesses of modernization;

5. That City and its citizenry shall acknowledge that this noble endeavor requires great conviction, unceasing advocacy, unflagging patience, perseverance and persistence.

Let the herein-mentioned policy declarations form an integral part of the policies and programs of the present City Administration in the delivery of basic health and welfare services to all Manila in the interest of public service and welfare.

Done this 29th day of February 2000 in the City of Manila, Philippines.

[Signature]
JOSE L. ATIENZA, JR.
City Mayor

Attested:

EMMANUEL R. SISON
Secretary to the Mayor

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