AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING STRICT COMPLIANCE TO R.A. NO. 7432:

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Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga, that:-

SECTION 1. - TITLE. - This ordinance shall be known as “An ordinance requiring strict compliance to R.A. No. 7432”.

SECTION 2. - OBJECTIVE. - To elicit full and strict compliance to R.A. No. 7432 otherwise known as “The Senior Citizens Act”.

SECTION 3. - SCOPE. - This ordinance shall apply to all transportation services, hotels and similar lodging establishments, restaurants, recreation centers, drug stores and all other establishments doing business in the City of Naga which are required to grant a twenty percent (20%) discount under R.A. No. 7432.

SECTION 4. - SPECIAL TASK FORCE. - A Special Task Force to be composed of the following:

OPAC City Legal Officer         Member
Chief, Lingkod Barangay Office  Member
NCSCL President                Member

Including the necessary personnel complement as may be determined and assigned by the City Mayor, is hereby created to monitor and require full and strict compliance with R.A. No. 7432 and the provisions of this Ordinance, and for this purpose special telephones lines shall be utilized and kept open to receive reports of violations or complaints to which the Special Task Force must quickly respond. A city government vehicle must be provided the Special Task Force for it to comply with its task of providing quick response to complaint.

SECTION 5. - POSTER. - All establishments, services or businesses covered by this ordinance, including tricycles, jeepneys, taxis or buses, are required to conspicuously post or display a poster or sticker in such form and substance to be prescribed by the Special Task Force, the unit cost of which shall be assessed the respective establishments, service or business, to the effect that said establishment, service or business honors or rents the required discount to senior citizens, and the same poster or sticker must likewise bear the telephone numbers of the Special Task Force to which complaints or violations may be promptly reported.

SECTION 6. - MEDICAL PRESCRIPTION. - All medical or dental practitioners are hereby required when making prescriptions for medicines not only to indicate their PTR and License Numbers but also to write therein the name, address and age of the senior citizen patient, and when presented together with the Identification Card of the senior citizen in any drugstores in the City of Naga, the same shall be granted the required discount even when the
purchase is made by any one other than the Senior citizen without necessity or in lieu of any authorization requirement.

SECTION 7. - EQUAL PROTECTION. - The provisions of this Ordinance shall equally apply or extend to all Senior Citizens, even if non-resident, traveling to or from, making payment or purchase in the City of Naga.

SECTION 8. - PENALTIES. - Any person who willfully refuses to grant the privileges provided for in RA 7432 or violates any provisions thereof and for which no penalty is specifically provided for by any existing law, shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding one (1) month or the fine not exceeding One Thousand Pesos (P1, 000.00) Pesos or both.

Any organization, private/government establishment and government department/bureau/agency/institution who willfully refuses to grant privileges given to senior citizens or violates any provision of RA 7432 shall be administratively dealt with by any of the agency/department concerned including but not limited to the cancellation of permit/s or franchise/s to operate a business establishment or institution or public service.

SECTION 9. - EFFECTIVITY. - This ordinance shall take effect upon approval and publication in a local paper of general circulation.


WE HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

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LOURDES V. ASENCHE, M.D.
City Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

JESSE M. ROBREDO
City Mayor