

[ **VALENZUELA CITY ORDINANCE NO. 273 Series  
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**SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD**

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**AN ORDINANCE CREATING AND ESTABLISHING THE SENIOR CITIZEN AND PERSON WITH DISABILITY TRUST FUND TO BE SOURCED FROM THE SHARE OF THE INCOME OF THE CITY FROM THE VALENZUELA TOWN CENTER AND PEOPLES' PARK AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Constitution provides that the state shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, women and children;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant thereto, Congress enacted various legislations, particularly **Republic Act No. 7432**, "An Act to Maximize the Contribution of Senior Citizens to Nation Building, Grant Benefits and Special Privileges and for other Purposes," **Republic Act No. 9257**, "An Act Granting Additional Benefits and Privileges to Senior Citizens, Amending for the Purpose Republic Act 7432 or the so-called Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2003" and recently, **Republic Act No. 9994**, "An Act granting additional Benefits and Privileges to Senior Citizens, further amending Republic Act No. 7432, as amended" specifically for senior citizens and **Republic Act No. 7277**, "An Act providing for the rehabilitation, self development and self reliance of disabled persons and their integration" and **Republic Act No. 9442**, "An Act amending Republic Act No. 7277, otherwise known as the "Magna Carta for disabled persons, and for other purposes", for persons with disability;

**WHEREAS**, under Section 458, (5), (xiv), of the Local Government Code, the Sangguniang Panlungsod is mandated to provide for the care of disabled persons, paupers, the aged, the sick, persons of unsound mind, abandoned minors, juvenile delinquents, drug dependents, abused children and other needy and disadvantage persons, particularly children and youth below eighteen (18) years of age; and subject to availability of funds, establish and provide for the operation of centers and facilities for said needy and disadvantage persons;

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlungsod has deem it essential and necessary to provide the sources of funding for the appropriate support programs and projects for the benefit of the elderly, the disabled and underprivileged;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it **ORDAINED** as it is hereby **ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Valenzuela in a session duly assembled that:

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as "**Senior Citizens and Persons with Disability Trust Fund Ordinance**".

**SECTION 2. INCORPORATION CLAUSE.** By this Ordinance, the City of Valenzuela formally imposes upon itself the obligation to augment the support and assistance provided to the elderly and disabled as provided in various laws and Ordinances such as but not limited to Republic Act No. 7432, 9257, 9994, 7277 and 9442.

**SECTION 3. CREATION OF SENIOR CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITY TRUST FUND.** By virtue of this Ordinance, the Senior Citizens and Persons with Disability Trust Fund is hereby created and established to be administered by the Office of the City Mayor.

**SECTION 4. COVERAGE.** The trust fund shall be utilized for the following programs and projects of the Senior Citizens and Persons with Disability:

- a. Awards and recognition to Centenarian constituents;
- b. Grant of financial and/or material assistance;
- c. Establishment and creation of home care support; and
- d. To support, establish, create such other programs and projects which would promote, advance, improve and alleviate the well being and welfare of the elderly and the disabled.

**SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION.** After the passage of this Ordinance, the share of profit pertaining to the City, based on the Joint Venture Project executed by and between the City Government of Valenzuela and Megabuild JPG Development Inc., dated October 31, 2014 and ratified by the Sangguniang Panlungsod on November 17, 2014, as remitted and/or collected by the City Treasurer shall be automatically held in trust and appropriated as Senior Citizens and Persons with Disability Trust Fund.

**SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any section or provision of this Ordinance is, for whatever reason, declared unconstitutional or invalid by a Court or competent jurisdiction, the invalidity thereof shall not affect the validity of the remaining