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EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 18
Series of 2023

**AN ORDER ENJOINING THE CREATION OF BARANGAY HEALTH
EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAMS IN ALL BARANGAYS IN THE CITY OF IMUS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 16 of the Local Government Code, otherwise known as the General Welfare Clause, local government units are charged with the promotion of health and safety within their respective territorial jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2003-95 initiated the creation of Barangay Health Emergency Response Teams (BHERTs) nationwide;

WHEREAS, DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020-023 reactivated the BHERTs due to the spread of 2019 Novel Coronavirus Acute Respiratory Disease;

WHEREAS, there is a need to continuously activate the response teams to help alleviate the spread of various diseases and other emergency situations in the City of Imus;

WHEREAS, there is a need to maintain a coherent and accurate medical database to continuously monitor the medical services and status of the City of Imus;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ALEX L. ADVINCULA, Mayor of the City of Imus, by virtue of the powers vested upon me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE. - All barangays within the City of Imus (City) are enjoined to create and/or reactivate their Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT) to be the arm of the City in collecting database, monitoring the delivery of medical services, and delivering emergency response to their community among others.

SECTION 2. COMPOSITION. - The BHERT shall be composed of the following:



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1. Executive Officer;
2. One (1) Barangay Tanod; and
3. Two (2) Barangay Health Workers, one of whom is preferably a nurse or midwife.

All members must be appointed by the Punong Barangay.

SECTION 3. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. - The BHERT shall perform the following duties and responsibilities:

1. To identify all persons with possible known exposure to a Covid-19 patient, or other viral infections and diseases such as but not limited to dengue, leptospirosis, hand, foot and mouth disease, measles, and others as identified by the City Health Office and other health agencies;
2. Ensure the said persons strictly observe appropriate home quarantine measures or properly situated in government-managed isolation facilities if necessary;
3. Accommodate all possible patients and other persons who may be in need of medical attention and services;
4. Monitor the status of probable, suspected, and confirmed cases within the barangay;
5. Address the containment, prevention, and control of Coronavirus and its variants, and other virus and diseases as identified;
6. Gather information from various sources in the community as regards viral infections and diseases identified by City Health Office;
7. Recommend innovative strategies which will help eliminate the spread of viral infections and diseases identified;
8. Recommend preventive and precautionary measures;
9. Conduct home visits and interviews whenever necessary;
10. Monitor compliance with home confinement procedure and check condition of persons infected;
11. Coordinate, report, and submit necessary data and emergency problems and incidents with the City Health Office at all times;
12. In cases of transportation of patients, ensure that a safe and no-risk transportation be observed;
13. Other duties and responsibilities as may be assigned by the City Health Office.



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SECTION 4. LGU SUPPORT. - The City may provide financial assistance, particularly for the purchase of protective gadgets and supplies, as well as technical and other assistance relative to the organization and operation of BHERTs.

SECTION 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE and **SIGNED** this 12th day of April 2023 at City of Imus, Cavite.

ALEX L. ADVINCULA
City Mayor 