

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 59

Series of 2022

AN ORDER CREATING THE LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the *Local Government Code of 1991*, mandates the local government units to provide social welfare services which include programs and projects on women's welfare among others.

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9710, otherwise known as the *Magna Carta of Women*, enjoins the LGUs to adopt gender mainstreaming as a strategy to promote women's human rights and eliminate gender discrimination in their systems, structure, policies, programs and procedures.

WHEREAS, Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) Memorandum Circular No. 2001-163 encourages LGUs to create Local Councils of Women (LCW).

WHEREAS, DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2002-167, amended by DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2006-25, provides the guidelines on the procedures and structures in the creation of Local Councils of Women.

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

Section 1. Creation – The City of Imus Local Council of Women (LCW) is hereby created.

Section 2. Composition-Pursuant to DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2006-25, the Local Council of Women (LCW) shall have nine (9) members of the Board of Trustees: seven (7) from the NGOs/ POs/ Professional Groups; one (1) representative from the local government units (LGUs) and one (1) representative from the National Council of Women of the Philippines (NCWP) or its affiliates until such time that there is an organized NCWP in the locality. These nine (9) members of the Board shall elect from among themselves the regular Chairperson and other officers such as: Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer



Assistant Treasurer, Auditor, PRO and other officers that may be created as the need arises.

As such, the City of Imus Local Council of Women shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson:

Ms. Nerissa Advincula

(Professional Group/Trade Sector)

Vice-Chairperson:

Ms. Cristabel Geluz

(NGO/General Public)

Secretary:

Ms. Hyabeth Meneses

(Professional Group/Academe Sector)

Assistant Secretary:

Ms. Maricar Valdez

(NGO/General Public)

Treasurer:

Ms. Noreen Purificacion

(Professional Group/Trade Sector)

Assistant Treasurer:

Ms. Jocelyn Bare

(NGO/General Public)

Auditor:

Ms. Ruth Dela Cruz

(NGO/General Public)

PROs:

Ms. Irma Guinto

(Professional Group/Academe Sector)

Ms. Maria Cecilia Santos

(People's Organization/Solo Parent)

The term of office of the LCW officers shall be two (2) years.

The LCW must apply for accreditation to the Philippine Federation of Local Councils of Women (PFLCW), Inc. subject to the accreditation and membership guidelines set by the PFLCW, Inc.



Section 3. Functions- As a vehicle in mainstreaming GAD in pursuit of women empowerment, gender equality, social justice, lasting peace, fulfillment and protection of human rights, and sustainable development, the Local Council of Women shall:

- 1. Define their respective advocacy agenda which shall incorporate their local priorities in terms of local, national, international women's agenda, to include, but not limited to the following:
 - a. The implementation of international and national instruments such as Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW); Beijing Platform for Action (BPFA); the Philippine Plan for Gender Responsive Development (PPGD); and the Framework Plan For Women among their networks:
 - Mainstreaming of gender and development in the LGU, and the passage of local legislation addressing gender issues and women's concerns;
 - c. Formulation of the LGUs GAD Plan and Budget:
 - Participation of women in local governance by pushing for passage of the bill on Sectoral Representation to the Local Sanggunian and ensuring representation of women in local special bodies, among others;
 - Support the implementation of the Framework Plan for Women by collaborating with government agencies and/or GAD Focal Points for the implementation of GAD-related programs, projects and activities (PPAs) and developing and implementing projects that address gender issues and women's concerns;
 - Undertake activities and projects such as livelihood, micro-enterprise, social services and training and skills development, within the framework of GAD particularly the Framework Plan For Women, independently or in partnership with existing Local Councils and other government agencies;



- Establish linkage with business sector, GO and NGO institutions to enable women's access to resources, information and technology, in order to pursue its projects more effectively;
- 5. Monitor the implementation and impact of local policies and programs on women and provide the local machineries on women, the Local Chief Executive, and other relevant agencies with copies of the findings, and ensure corresponding action;
- Establish linkage with the NCRFW in the pursuit of gender and development mainstreaming and women empowerment at the local level; and
- 7. Build the entrepreneurial capability of marginalized women locally, nationally and internationally.

Section 4. Repealing Clause- This Executive Order supersedes all other orders inconsistent with it.

Section 5. Separability Clause-ss If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 6. Effectivity- This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE and **SIGNED** this 24th day of October 2022, City of Imus.

ALEX L. ADVINCULA