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ORDINANCE NO. 2018-025
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AN ORDINANCE FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE CITY'S DISASTER AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM BY ESTABLISHING THE "DRIVER-FIRST AIDER" TRAINING PROGRAM AND MANDATING THE CONDUCT OF BASIC FIRST AID AND BASIC LIFE SUPPORT TRAINING TO ALL JEEPNEY, TRIMOBILE, E-TRIKE AND PADYAK FOR HIRE DRIVERS IN THE CITY OF NAGA, APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION, AND PROVIDING SANCTIONS FOR NON-COMPLIANCE THEREOF:-

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

WHEREAS, road traffic accidents sometimes result in people suffering life threatening injuries where every minute counts for their chances of survival. Victims of road accidents may suffer death if immediate first aid is not performed in the first few minutes after the accident;

WHEREAS, according to the studies, 55 percent of deaths caused by road accidents occur in the first few minutes after the crash. And up to 85 percent of those deaths could be prevented if first aid was immediately given;

WHEREAS, studies also showed that most of the victims of road accidents also suffered cardiac arrest. When a person has a cardiac arrest, survival depends on immediately getting cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) from someone knowledgeable. CPR-- especially if performed in the first few minutes of cardiac arrest-- can double or triple a person's chance of survival;

WHEREAS, jeepney, trimobile, e-trike and padyak for hire drivers who are usually on the road in the course of their daily work, are often the first to witness or come across such accidents, and may also offer immediate help to injured drivers before the emergency services arrive;

WHEREAS, by providing the jeepney, trimobile, e-trike and padyak for hire drivers with the training on basic life support and first aid skill will capacitate them to render necessary assistance while emergency help is en route;

WHEREAS, public safety and preparedness is the primary concern of the City Government of Naga, and in emergency situations where no medical personnel is available, performance of first aid is vital, hence the conduct of this training for drivers is not only necessary but imperative as well.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga, in session assembled, that:

SECTION 1. – Short Title. – This ordinance shall be known and may be cited to as the **"Naga City Driver-First Aider Training Program Ordinance"**.

SECTION 2. – Policies and Purposes. – This ordinance is enacted pursuant to the following purposes and objectives:

- (a) Policies - This ordinance is enacted pursuant to the policy of the State, as provided in Article II of the Philippine Constitution, that:

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"Section 15. The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them."

The City Government of Naga also adopts the policy of the State, as provided in Republic Act No. 10121, otherwise known as *"The Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010"*, which states that:

"Section 2 – Declaration of Policy – It shall be the policy of the State to:

(a) Uphold the people's constitutional rights to life and property by addressing the root causes of vulnerabilities to disaster, strengthening the country's institutional capacity for disaster reduction and management and building the resilience of local communities to disaster including climate change impacts;

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(l) Recognize and strengthen the capacities of LGUs and communities in mitigating and preparing for, responding to, and recovering from the impact of disasters;

(m) Engage the participation of civil society organizations (CSOs), the private sector and volunteers in the government's disaster risk reduction programs towards complementation of resources and effective delivery of services to the citizenry;

(n) Develop and strengthen the capacities of vulnerable and marginalized groups to mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from the effects of disasters;

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(b) Purposes – This ordinance is enacted for the following purposes and objectives:

- (1) To establish and strengthen capacities of communities to anticipate, cope and recover from the negative impacts of emergency occurrences and disasters, thereby creating a resilient community;
- (2) Increase the level of awareness of the community to the threats and impacts of all hazards, risks and vulnerabilities;
- (3) To provide and equip with the necessary knowledge, skills and capacities with basic first aid techniques to the jeepney, trimobile, e-trike and padyak drivers in order to assist the victims of vehicular accidents and emergencies wherein the ultimate goal is to save life and reduce the suffering before the emergency services arrive.

SECTION 3. – Definition of Terms. – As used in this ordinance, the following terms and phrases shall be defined and to mean as follows:

- (a) Basic Life Support (BLS) – is a level of medical care which is used for victims of life-threatening illnesses or injuries until they can be given full medical care at a hospital. It can be provided by trained medical personnel, including emergency medical technicians, paramedics, and by qualified bystanders;
- (b) Basic Life Support (Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation or CPR) Training Course – A training module administered by competent authority that aims to provide an individual the knowledge and skills needed to revive a person whose breathing and heartbeats have suddenly stopped, and to dislodge foreign object in the airway.
- (c) Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) – is an emergency procedure that combines chest compressions often with artificial ventilation in an effort to manually preserve intact brain function until further measures are taken to restore spontaneous blood circulation and breathing in a person who is in cardiac arrest.
- (d) Driver – shall mean any licensed person/operator of jeepney, trimobile, e-trike or padyak for hire, who drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle.
- (e) First Aid – is the assistance given to any person suffering a sudden illness or injury, with care provided to preserve life, prevent the condition from worsening, or to promote recovery. It includes initial intervention in a serious condition prior to professional medical help being available, such as performing CPR while awaiting an ambulance, as well as the complete treatment of minor conditions, such as applying plaster to a cut. First aid is generally performed by the layperson, with many people trained in providing basic levels of first aid, and others willing to do so from acquired knowledge.
- (f) First Aid Training Course – A training module administered by competent authority that aims to train individual to face emergencies with confidence and to care for the injured and person taken suddenly ill.
- (g) Motorized Tricycles or Trimobiles – shall mean a motor driven three-wheeled vehicle with a sidecar or back car attachment used to transport passengers or cargoes for hire;
- (h) Naga City Community First Responders and Basic Life Support Training Program – a community-level disaster preparedness training program institutionalized under City Ordinance No. 2017-007, to provide each family the knowledge and skills necessary to cope with natural and man-made calamities and emergencies.
- (i) Padyaks – shall mean a three-wheeled vehicle with sidecar attached to a bicycle used to transport passengers or cargoes for hire;
- (j) *Resilience* – the ability of a system, community or society exposed to hazards to resist, absorb, accommodate and recover from the effects of a hazard in a timely and efficient manner, including the preservation and restoration of its essential basic structures and functions.

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