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Time and again, requests for across-the-board condonation of penalties and surcharges in the lot payments by the beneficiaries of the Kaantabay sa Kauswagan (KsK) Program are brought to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for consideration. In recognition of the financial situation of the beneficiaries, the City Government had always granted these requests. Frequent condonation could, however, in the long-run work against the core objective of the KsK.

To prevent the recurrence of the said requests for across the board condonation of penalties and surcharges, Ordinance No. 2018-007 was enacted wherein it was provided that condonation, when meritorious as defined therein, may be done administratively as recommended by the Naga City Urban Development and Housing Board (NCUDHB). In other words, one year after the effectivity of the said ordinance, condonation may be granted only when the situation falls under any of the conditions defined thereunder.

In the said ordinance, a one-time across-the-board condonation of penalties and surcharges to be availed of within one year from the effectivity of the Ordinance was likewise in order for the beneficiaries to be able to start again with a clean slate, so to speak. Unfortunately, there had been no sufficient information regarding the said Ordinance and thus, very few had been able to avail of the benefit provided therein.

In order not to frustrate the purpose of the said ordinance, there is a need to extend the period of availment of the across the board condonation granted therein, subject to certain conditions.

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Section 3. **EFFECTIVITY.**- This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

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WE HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

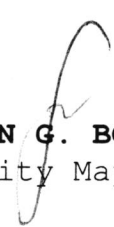


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