AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE "SWERTE SA BUSINESS TAX AND REAL PROPERTY PAYMENTS" RAFFLE PROMO AND AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF FUNDS FROM THE BUDGET OF THE CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE TO FINANCE INCENTIVES IN FAVOR OF TAXPayers WHO WOULD BE RANDOMLY CHOSEN AS RAFFLE WINNERS.


WHEREAS, Section 11, paragraph 2 (ii) of Republic Act No. 10160 (also known as the "Charter of the City of Bacoor") empowered the Sangguniang Panlungsod to enact ordinance levying taxes, fees and charges, prescribing the rates thereof for general and specific purposes and granting tax exemption, incentives or reliefs subject to the provision of Book II of the Local Government Code of 1991 and, applicable laws upon the majority vote of all its members;

WHEREAS, in order to maximize the generation of revenues and improve the tax collection efforts of the City, the City Treasurer proposed the grant of tax incentives in favor of taxpayers to the City Mayor. The said proposal was approved by the City Mayor submitted for consideration by the Sangguniang Panlungsod;

NOW THEREFORE, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor, in special session assembled, ordains that:

Section 1. The Office of the City Treasurer is hereby empowered to proceed with the holding of a revenue generation program to be known as "SWERTE SA BUSINESS TAX AND REAL PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS" comprised of a raffle promo to be participated in by all real property and business taxpayers in the City of Bacoor and the promotion campaign related to the holding of the said project. The said program shall be held by the city government every year following the approval of this Ordinance and the funds needed for the holding thereof shall be included in the annual budget of the City Treasurer's Office,

Section 2. The objectives of the said program are as follows:

2.1. Improve tax awareness by encouraging taxpayers to habitually pay their business and real property taxes;
2.2. Involve the public in the city government’s aim to increase revenue collection; and

2.3. Promote voluntary compliance from taxpayers and thereby generate revenues.

Section 3. The mechanics for the said raffle promo shall be as follows:

3.1. Receipts issued by the Office of the City Treasurer for real property tax and business permits shall qualify for the raffle promo beginning January 1 of each year to December 30 of the same year;

3.2. Participants should register their official receipts with the Office of the City Treasurer in exchange of raffle tickets. One tax declaration and business permit is equal to one raffle entry;

3.3. The participants should be the declared owner of the said property or business. In case the registered owner of a real property or business randomly chosen as a winner during the raffle is already deceased at the time of the raffle, the heirs of the said property owner or the duly authorized representative of the said business owner shall be allowed to claim the prize after presentation of sufficient proof to be determined by the City Treasurer;

3.4. All qualified entries shall be drawn using tambolol to be kept at the Office of the City Treasurer. The said tambolol as well as the actual conduct of the raffle, shall be examined by the City Accountant, by a representative of the Commission on Audit (COA) and by a reputable representative of a religious organization operating within the City of Bacoor to ensure that no cheating will take place;

3.5. The City Treasurer’s Office shall validate the identity of the winner through his valid identification papers, such as Driver’s License, SSS I.D., TIN Card, Company I.D., or Voter’s I.D.;

3.6. The City Treasurer’s Office shall issue a “Claim Your Prize Notice” to be sent to the address of the winner which shall contain when and where to claim the prize; and

3.7. A participant can only win once. If a participant’s name is drawn more than once, then the highest prize awarded will prevail while the lower prize will be redrawn.

Section 4. The draw dates for the raffles following the approval hereof may vary as may be recommended by the City Mayor.

Section 5. The following prizes shall be awarded to the raffle winners:

GRAND DRAW FOR REAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS: December 15 of every year.
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Prizes:  
1st PRIZE : One Hundred Thousand Pesos  
(P 100,000.00)  
2nd PRIZE : Fifty Thousand Pesos  
(P 50,000.00)  
3rd PRIZE : Twenty Five Thousand Pesos  
(P 25,000.00)  
20 consolation prizes – Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) each

GRAND DRAW FOR BUSINESS PERMIT FEE PAYERS: March 2 of every year

Prizes:  
1st PRIZE : One Hundred Thousand Pesos  
(P 100,000.00)  
2nd PRIZE : Fifty Thousand Pesos  
(P 50,000.00)  
3rd PRIZE : Twenty Five Thousand Pesos  
(P 20,000.00)  
20 consolation prizes – Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) each

The said amounts may vary in future raffle draws following the approval of this Ordinance depending on the availability of funds in strict compliance with this Ordinance and all pertinent laws and government regulations.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after it has been posted in at least three (3) conspicuous places within the City of Bacoor and after it has been published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Cavite.

Section 7. If any provision of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, partnership, or corporation, or circumstance, is held invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance, and the application of such provisions to any other person, partnership, corporation, or circumstance, shall not be affected thereby.

Section 8. Any ordinance, resolution, or executive order in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed, revoked, and/or accordingly modified.

APPROVED this 1st day of December 2014 at the City of Bacoor during the regular session of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor.
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Province of Cavite  

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I hereby certify that this Ordinance was duly approved in accordance with law and that all the contents hereof are true and correct.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

HON. CATHERINE S. EVARISTO  
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

ATTESTED BY:

ATTY. KHALID A. ATEGA JR.  
Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretary

APPROVED BY:

HON. STRIKE B. REVILLA, PhD  
City Mayor