AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL HOSPITALS OPERATING WITHIN THE CITY OF BACOOR TO PROVIDE FREE INTERNET WI-FI SERVICES TO ITS PATIENTS AND VISITORS WITHIN THE HOSPITAL PREMISES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS HEREOF.

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SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE.

This ordinance shall also be known and referred to as "The Free Hospital Wi-Fi Ordinance of the City of Bacoor".

SECTION 2: PURPOSES

The reasons for which this ordinance was enacted are as follows:

1. To provide free wi-fi internet services to visitors and patients of public and private hospitals operating in the City of Bacoor;
2. To facilitate the free flow of information;
3. To enhance the quality of customer service; and
4. To improve the delivery of emergency medical services.

SECTION 3: COVERAGE.

This ordinance shall apply to all privately owned and government owned hospitals operating within the City of Bacoor, Cavite.
SECTION 4: DEFINITION OF TERMS.

The following words and phrases as used in this ordinance shall be understood to mean as follows:

a. **Hospitals** – refer to healthcare facilities either owned or operated by the government or the private sector where patients are confined, treated or undergo surgery.

b. **Internet** – refers to the global system of interconnected computer networks that use the Internet protocol suite (TCP/IP) to link billions of devices worldwide. It is a network of networks that consists of millions of private, public, academic, business, and government networks of local to global scope, linked by a broad array of electronic, wireless, and optical networking technologies.

c. **“Wi-Fi” or Wireless Frequency Interface** – refers to a technology that allows electronic devices to connect to a Wireless Local Area Network (WLAN), mainly using the 2.4 gigahertz (12 cm) UHF and 5 gigahertz (6 cm) SHF ISM radio bands. A WLAN is usually password protected, but may be open, which allows any device within its range to access the resources of the WLAN network.

SECTION 5: EFFECTIVITY DATE.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation and after its approval by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan.

SECTION 6: REPEAL CLAUSE.

All ordinances and resolutions in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, modified or amended.

SECTION 7: PENALTIES

The following penalties shall be imposed against the hospital director or medical director of any hospital violates this ordinance:

**First Offense:** Written warning plus payment of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) fine by the hospital director/medical director of the hospital’s that violated the ordinance.
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Second Offense: Payment of Three Thousand Pesos (Php3,000.00) fine by the hospital director/medical director of the hospital/s that violated the ordinance.

Third Offense: Payment of Five Thousand Pesos (Php5,000.00) fine by the hospital director/medical director of the hospital/s that violated the ordinance.

Fourth Offense: Payment of Five Thousand Pesos (Php5,000.00) for every day that the ordinance has been violated by the hospital director/medical director of the hospital/s.

ORDAINED by the 4th Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacoor, Province, Cavite this 2nd day of September 2019 during its regular session duly assembled.

Certified by:
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City Mayor

SEP 27 2019
(Date of Approval)