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CITY RESOLUTION NO. CR 2021-332
Series of 2021

A RESOLUTION REPRIMANDING SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN PRESIDENT, KARLA MANDID, OF BARANGAY MOLINO V, BACOOR CITY, CAVITE, FOR FAILING TO ATTEND THE SESSIONS OF THE SANGGUNIANG OF THE AFORE-MENTIONED BARANGAY.

Sponsored by:

Hon. Reynaldo D. Palabrica

Co-Sponsored by:

Hon. Roberto L. Advincula, Hon. Miguel N. Bautista, Hon. Rowena Bautista-Mendiola, Hon. Leandro A. De Leon, Hon. Mac Raven Espiritu, Hon. Adrielito G. Gawaran, Hon. Victorio L. Guerrero, Jr., Hon. Alejandro F. Gutierrez, Hon. Hernando C. Gutierrez, Hon. Gaudencio P. Nolasco, Hon. Alde Joselito F. Pagulayan, and Hon. Michael E. Solis.

WHEREAS, on 09 October 2020, the Sangguniang Panlungsod received a letter from Mr. Richard Quion, focal person of the city government for the Citizens' Complaint Hotline 8888, informing the council that an anonymous complaint had been filed against Hon. Karla Mandid, the Sangguniang Kabataan President of Barangay Molino V, Bacoor City, Cavite.

WHEREAS, a review of the said complaint conducted jointly by the Committee on Barangay Affairs and the Committee on Ethics, Appointments, and Government Reorganization revealed that the Hon. Mandid was being accused of allegedly failing to attend sessions of the Sangguniang Barangay of Molino V for almost a year during the height of the pandemic and began attending the said sessions without even explaining why she failed to attend the said sessions and to perform her other official duties.

WHEREAS, Hon. Mandid is an elected SK official and could be punished by the Sangguniang Panlungsod with her removal or suspension from office pursuant to **Section 18 of Republic Act No. 10742** (also known as the "SK Reform Act of 2015") which provides that:

"SEC. 18. *Suspension and Removal from Office.* – Any elected official of the Sangguniang Kabataan may, after due process, be suspended for not more than six (6) months or removed from office by majority vote of all members of the Sangguniang Bayan



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or Sangguniang Panlungsod which has jurisdiction in the barangay of the concerned Sangguniang Kabataan official which shall be final and executory, on any of the following grounds:

(a) Absence from the regular meeting of the Sangguniang Kabataan without valid cause for two (2) consecutive times or accumulated absences of four (4) within a period of twelve (12) months;

(b) Failure to convene the regular assembly of the Katipunan ng Kabataan for two (2) consecutive times;
(c) Failure to convene the regular Sangguniang Kabataan meetings for three (3) consecutive months in the case of the Sangguniang Kabataan chairperson;

(d) Failure to formulate the Comprehensive Barangay Youth Development Plan and the Annual Barangay Youth Investment Program, or approve the annual budget within the prescribed period of time without justifiable reason;

(e) Failure to implement programs and projects outlined in the Annual Barangay Youth Investment Program without justifiable reason;

(f) Four (4) consecutive absences during the regular Sangguniang Barangay sessions without valid cause in the case of the Sangguniang Kabataan chairperson;

(g) Conviction by final judgment of a crime involving moral turpitude; and violation of existing laws against graft and corruption and other civil service laws, rules and regulations; and

(h) Failure in the discharge of his or her duty or has committed abuse of authority. xxx"

WHEREAS, Section 18 (b) of the implementing rules of RA 10742 empowered the Sangguniang Panlungsod to "promulgate rules on suspension and removal from office of any elected SK official, taking into consideration the Local Government Code, and other applicable laws". (Emphasis supplied)

WHEREAS, considering that the Sangguniang Panlungsod had not yet passed any rule on the suspension or removal of elected SK Officials, it decided to first pass an ordinance promulgating the said rules before proceeding with the investigation on the complaint against Hon. Mandid. Consequently, the Sanggunian passed City Ordinance No. CO 140-2020 on 01 December 2020 entitled: "**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE RULES AND PROCEDURES ON ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS ARISING FROM COMPLAINTS FILED AGAINST ELECTED SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN OFFICIALS BEFORE THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF BACOR, CAVITE**". However, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan directed the Sangguniang Panlungsod to amend certain provisions of the said ordinance through an official letter dated 02 February



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2021. In compliance with the said directive, the Sangguniang Panlungsod amended City Ordinance No. CO 140-2020 and submitted City Ordinance No. CO 152-2021 dated 08 March 2021 to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan on 18 April 2021. However, City Ordinance No. CO 152-2021 remains pending for review by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to this date.

WHEREAS, in view of the belief of the members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod that the investigation on the complaint against Hon. Mandid was not suspended by the directive of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to amend City Ordinance No. CO 140-2020, the joint committee proceeded to investigate the said complaint.

WHEREAS, through a letter signed by Hon. Mandid dated 13 October 2020 addressed to Hon. Mac Raven Espiritu, SK Federation President of the City of Bacoor, Cavite, the respondent admitted that she had been remiss in performing her official duties due to her pregnancy and her concern for the safety of her unborn child due to the dangers posed by COVID-19 on pregnant women. She also manifested that she had not taken her honoraria since January 2020.

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee looked into the performance of Hon. Mandid and discovered that, despite her prolonged absence and pregnancy, she was able to submit the Comprehensive Barangay Youth Development Plan, the Annual Barangay Youth Investment Program, and the annual SK budget of her barangay within the prescribed period under the law. The Joint Committee also confirmed that Hon. Mandid (1) failed to attend the regular meetings of the Sangguniang Kabataan, (2) failed to convene the regular Sangguniang Kabataan meetings for more than three (3) consecutive months, and (3) she had more than four (4) consecutive absences during the regular Sangguniang Barangay sessions. However, the Joint Committee also managed to verify that Hon. Mandid was indeed pregnant during the period mentioned in the complaint and that pregnant women – even if they are elected Sangguniang Kabataan officials – are barred from leaving home pursuant to various minimum health protocols imposed by the national government since the various types of community quarantines began in March 2020.

WHEREAS, the Joint Committee believes that (1) the pregnancy of Hon. Mandid and (2) her fear that going out of her house to attend the sessions of the



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Sangguniang Kabataan of Molino V would have endangered her health and safety and that of her unborn child were justifiable reasons for not attending the meetings and sessions of the Sangguniang Kabataan and the Sangguniang Barangay of Molino V. However, the Joint Committee also believes that Hon. Mandid should have at least informed the Sangguniang Barangay of her condition and made use of the internet and modern technology so that she could perform her duties. Consequently, the Joint Committee recommended that Hon. Mandid be reprimanded by the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlungsod deliberated on the recommendation of the Joint Committee and unanimously decided to reprimand Hon. Mandid.

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of Hon. Reynaldo D. Palabrica, unanimously seconded by the rest of the council, **BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in regular session duly assembled to reprimand Hon. Karla Mandid, SK President of Barangay Molino V, Bacoor City, Cavite for failing to use the internet and other forms of modern communication tools to enable her to virtually attend the regular meetings of the Sangguniang Kabataan, convene the regular Sangguniang Kabataan meetings, and to attend the regular Sangguniang Barangay sessions of Molino V even if she were pregnant.

RESOLVED LASTLY, to furnish Hon. Mandid, the Sangguniang Barangay of Molino V, the Sangguniang Barangay of Molino V, the Office of the City Mayor, the DILG, the Citizens' Complaint Hotline 8888 through Mr. Quion, the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAP) of the University of the Philippines, and other government agencies concerned with copies of this Resolution.

UNANIMOUSLY PASSED this 19th day of April 2021 at the City of Bacoor, Cavite.

I hereby certify the truth and correctness of the above-quoted Resolution.

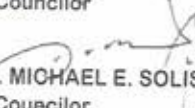
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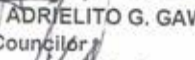


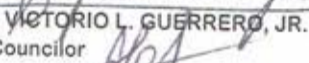
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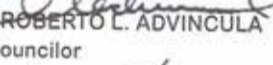

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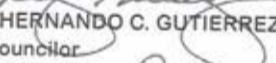

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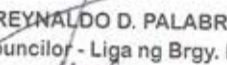

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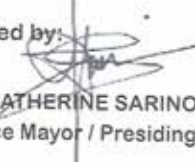

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