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**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE FIRST MONDAY OF OCTOBER EVERY YEAR AS TEACHERS' DAY IN TUGUEGARAO CITY AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF.**

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**WHEREAS**, Article XIV, Section 5 (4) of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that "the state shall enhance the right of teachers to professional advancement. On-Teaching academic and Non Academic Personnel shall enjoy the protection of the state."

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 10743, otherwise known as An Act Declaring the Fifth Day of October of Every Year as the National Teachers Day, provides that "To ensure a meaningful observance of this special working holiday, all heads of government agencies and instrumentalities, including government-owned and-controlled corporations especially those that are directly dealing with the teachers, including local government units, and employers in the private sector, shall encourage and afford sufficient time and opportunities for their employees to engage and participate in any activity conducted within the premises of their offices or establishments in celebration of the "National Teachers' Day."

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) designated 05 October of every year as "World Teachers' Day" which is a day to celebrate the central role that teachers play in guiding the children, youth and adults through the lifelong learning process;

**WHEREAS**, Presidential Proclamation No. 242 declared the period September 5 to October 5 as National Teachers' Month;

**WHEREAS**, Article III,(1)Resolution No.435 of the Professional Regulation Commission provides that a teacher is a facilitator of learning and of the development of the youth; he/she shall, therefore, render the best service by providing an environmental conducive to such learning and growth.

**WHEREAS**, teachers play a vital role in the formative years of students as they are recognized as exemplary beacons of light in molding and shaping their future;

**WHEREAS**, the Tuguegarao City Government recognizes this significant role of the teachers in their earnest effort to provide quality education to their students with the end-view of helping them transform into becoming self-reliant and productive members of the community;

**WHEREAS**, the Tuguegarao City Government recognizes the incredible work of educators and the significant impact they have on our learners, hence ,it is proper to celebrate and appreciate them by devoting a special day for them;

**NOW, THEREFORE, be** it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Tuguegarao City, to enact:

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as "**TEACHER'S DAY ORDINANCE IN TUGUEGARAO CITY,**"

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY** .It is declared a policy of Tuguegarao City to recognize the role of teachers for their sincere dedication and commitment in molding and educating of the youth

**SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS.** As used in this Ordinance the following shall mean:

- a. Teachers shall mean all persons engaged in classroom teaching in any level of instruction on full-time basis including guidance counselors, school librarians, industrial arts or vocational instructors and all other persons performing supervisory and/or administrative functions in all schools, colleges and universities operated by the government or its political subdivisions but shall not include school nurses, school physicians, school dentists and other school employees.
- b. Public school educational institution shall refer to a school institution which is administered and operated by the government.
- c. Private school educational institution shall refer to a school institution administered and operated by a private sector, private individual or corporation.
- d. Tuguegarao City Teacher's Day Celebration shall refer to the First Monday of October of every year as Teachers' Day in the Tuguegarao City,

**SECTION 4. RATIONALE OF THE TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATION.** Declaration of the City Teachers' Day shall have the following purpose:

- a. To give honor and recognition to all teachers for their dedication and unwavering contributions to the lives of learners/pupils/students/youth and the city.
- b. To undertake activities commemorating the Teachers' Day.
- c. To instill consciousness to fellow Tuguegaranos particularly the youth the indispensable role of teachers in the community.
- d. To increase spirit of volunteerism among the teachers of this City, particularly in the maintenance of peace and order, protection of children, preservation and conservation of environment and natural resources within the City
- e. To provide a venue for active participation of teachers in the community in terms of cultural and eco-tourism awareness programs to be launched by the City

**SECTION 5. TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION.** The City Mayor through an Executive Order shall create a Teachers' Day Committee each year from the group of teachers themselves and employees from the Tuguegarao City Government for the plans, programs and activities for the celebration including but not limited to, the following:

1. Search for the Most Outstanding Teacher in Public And Private Schools in Primary and Secondary Levels
2. Teachers' Forum
3. And any other activities which will make them feel important for the role they played in the molding of students to become responsible citizens of this community.

**SECTION 6. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATION.** The City Mayor, in coordination with the Local School Board and representatives from the Department of Education, shall formulate the Implementing Rules and Regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this ordinance.

**SECTION 7. FUNDING REQUIREMENTS.** The funding and appropriation for the Teacher's Day Celebration of Tuguegarao City shall be sourced from the General Fund.

**SECTION 8. DECLARATION OF INTENT TO CONFORM TO LAW.** This Ordinance is subject to national laws, rules and regulations governing its subject matter.

**SECTION 9. APPLICABILITY CLAUSE.** All other matters relating to the imposition of this Ordinance shall be governed by pertinent provisions of existing laws and other ordinances

**SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be separable; in the event that one or more of the provisions are held illegal or unconstitutional, the validity of other provisions shall not be affected.

**SECTION 11. REPEALING CLAUSE.** Ordinances, executive orders and other local legislations inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby modifies or repealed accordingly.

**SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Code.