



Republic of the Philippines
 PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN
 Tuguegarao City
NINTH CITY COUNCIL



EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 76th REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINTH CITY COUNCIL OF TUGUEGARAO CITY, CAGAYAN HELD ON JANUARY 30, 2024, (TUESDAY), 9:00 A.M., AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SESSION HALL

PRESENT:

Hon. Bienvenido C. De Guzman II	City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer
Hon. Mark Angelo B. Dayag	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Ronaldo S. Ortiz	-do-
Hon. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan	-do-
Hon. Imogen Claire M. Callangan	-do-
Hon. Gilbert S. Labang	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member (via Teleconferencing)
Hon. Jude T. Bayona	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
Hon. Karina S. Gauani-Viernes	-do-
Hon. Arnel T. Arugay	-do-
Hon. Grace B. Arago	-do-
Hon. Tirso V. Mangada	-do-
Hon. Marc Aldous C. Baccay	-do-
Hon. Restituto C. Ramirez	Ex Officio Member
Hon. Cerene Pearl T. Quilang	-do-

ABSENT:

Hon. Maria Rosario B. Soriano	Sangguniang Panlungsod Member
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CITY ORDINANCE NO. 02-09-2024

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CASH INCENTIVES TO NATIONAL TOPNOTCHERS IN THE PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS ADMINISTERED BY THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY COMMISSION (PRC) AND THE SUPREME COURT OF THE PHILIPPINES (SC) WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF TUGUEGARAO CITY AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF

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WHEREAS, Article II, Section 17 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress and promote total human liberation and development;

WHEREAS, Section 2 (3) of Article XIV of the 1987 Philippine Constitution also provides that the state shall establish and maintain a system of scholarship grants, student loan programs, subsidies and other incentives which shall be available to deserving students in both public and private schools, especially to the under-privileged;

WHEREAS, in line with the policy of the state to encourage and support the youth to excel in their educational endeavors, the Tuguegarao City Government deems it necessary to give commendations and due recognitions to Tuguegaraoeños who performed remarkably in national licensure and bar examinations;

WHEREAS, examinees taking national licensure examinations experience not only physical and mental hardships but also financial and economic problems prior and during the scheduled examinations dates, thus the reward of cash incentives for topnotchers is deemed proper and equitable;

WHEREAS, it is deemed fit and proper to recognize the hard work of these successful professional board/bar topnotchers in pursuit of their academic excellence who are residents of Tuguegarao City for bringing pride and honor to their families, schools, our city and, most importantly, for inspiring the youth to strive in their studies;

BE IT ENACTED by the Ninth City Council of Tuguegarao, duly assembled in Session, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This ordinance shall be known as the “Tuguegarao City National Topnotchers’ Incentives Ordinance.”

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. The Tuguegarao City Government hereby institutionalizes the granting of cash incentives to Tuguegaraoeños who are topnotchers in National Licensure/Bar Examinations.

SECTION 3. COVERAGE. This ordinance shall cover qualified board/bar topnotchers who are bona fide residents of Tuguegarao City, took the latest Board/Bar Examinations conducted by PRC/SC and garnered the rank from Top One to Top Ten.

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean as follows:

- a. **BAR EXAMINATIONS** - refers to the professional licensure examination for lawyers in the Philippines exclusively administered by the Supreme Court of the Philippines through the Supreme Court Bar Examination Committee
- b. **BOARD EXAMINATIONS** - refer to the Professional Licensure examinations administered by the Professional Regulatory Commission (PRC)
- c. **BONAFIDE RESIDENTS** - refer to the topnotcher examinees who are domiciled in Tuguegarao City
- d. **CASH INCENTIVES** - refer to the amount of money given to the national topnotchers of Professional Licensure Examinations/Bar Examinations conducted by the Professional Regulatory Commission and the Supreme Court of the Philippines, respectively
- e. **DOMICILE** - refers to an individual’s “permanent home”, a place to which, whenever absent for business or for pleasure, one intends to return, and depends on facts and circumstances in the sense that they disclose intent
- f. **PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY COMMISSION (PRC)** – refers to the government agency created under Presidential Decree No. 223 which is the licensing and regulatory agency of the National Government for the practice of regulated professions
- g. **TOPNOTCHERS** – refer to persons who ranked top 1 up to 10th place in national board/bar examination conducted by PRC and SC, respectively

SECTION 5. QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS. Examinees who obtained the top one (1) to top ten (10) places shall submit to the City Mayor’s Office the following:

- a. Photocopy of Birth Certificate
- b. Photocopy of Diploma or Certificate from the school where the awardee graduated
- c. Certificate of Residency from the barangay where the topnotcher examinee is domiciled in
- d. Authenticated Copy of Supreme Court/PRC certificate of rating/examination result
- e. Voter’s ID/Certification from COMELEC, if available

SECTION 6. CASH INCENTIVES AND PLAQUE OF COMMENDATION. The awardee, upon verification of the submitted documents as provided under Section 5 hereof shall receive cash incentives and plaque of commendation.

PRC BOARD EXAMINATION

Top One (1)	-	30,000.00
Top Two (2) - Top Three (3)	-	25,000.00
Top Four (4) - Top Five (5)	-	20,000.00
Top Six (6) - Top Ten (10)	-	15,000.00

BAR EXAMINATION/PHYSICIAN BOARD EXAMINATION

Top One (1)	-	100,000.00
Top Two (2) - Top Three (3)	-	85,000.00
Top Four (4) - Top Five (5)	-	75,000.00
Top Six (6) - Top Ten (10)	-	50,000.00

SECTION 7. NON-RETROACTIVITY. This Ordinance is non-retroactive. The cash incentives shall only be applicable to the latest national board/bar examinations upon the effectivity of this ordinance and thereafter.

SECTION 8. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS. The Office of the City Mayor shall formulate the implementing rules and regulations for the effective implementation of the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 9. FUNDING AND APPROPRIATIONS. The funding and appropriations of this Ordinance shall be sourced from the Annual Budget or any Supplemental Budget of the city subject to the availability of funds.

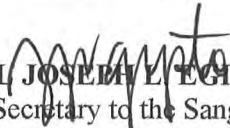
SECTION 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any part of this Ordinance is held unconstitutional or invalid, the remainders of the ordinance not otherwise declared so shall remain valid and effective.

SECTION 11. REPEALING CLAUSE. All Ordinances, rules and regulations, executive orders and portions thereof inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, amended and/or modified accordingly.


SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS OF THE FOREGOING:


JOEL JOSEPH L. ECHIGO, Ph.D.
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


HON. BIENVENIDO C. DE GUZMAN II
City Vice Mayor/ Presiding Officer
Date: 2/13/2024

APPROVED:

HON. MAILA ROSARIO S. TING-QUE
City Mayor
Date: _____

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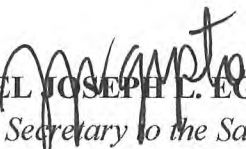
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This City Ordinance was forwarded to the Office of the City Mayor on February 13, 2023 and was returned **UNSIGNED** on February 29, 2024. Relative to this, Section 54(b) of the Local Government Code states that:

“SECTION 54. Approval of Ordinances. - (a) Every ordinance enacted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Sangguniang Panlungsod, or Sangguniang bayan shall be presented to the provincial governor or city or municipal mayor, as the case may be. If the local chief executive concerned approves the same, he shall affix his signature on each and every page thereof; otherwise, he shall veto it and return the same with his objections to the Sanggunian, which may proceed to reconsider the same. The Sanggunian concerned may override the veto of the local chief executive by two-thirds (2/3) vote of all its members, thereby making the ordinance or resolution effective for all legal intents and purposes.

(b) The veto shall be communicated by the local chief executive concerned to the Sanggunian within fifteen (15) days in the case of a province, and ten (10) days in the case of a city or a municipality; otherwise, the ordinance shall be deemed approved as if he had signed it.”


JOEL JOSEPH L. EGIPTO, Ph.D.
Secretary to the Sanggunian
Date: 02/29/2024