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**SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD NG MARIKINA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 128**  
**Series of 2019**

**ORDINANCE ENSURING THE SAFETY OF PEDESTRIANS IN MARIKINA  
CITY**

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**WHEREAS**, existing traffic laws have included regulations on the utilization of pedestrian lanes, however, there is no law that actually focuses on the protection of the pedestrians utilizing these lanes;

**WHEREAS**, despite the common knowledge on the use of pedestrian lanes, most motorists in the Philippines more so in the metropolis would still typically ignore it resulting in numerous incidences of injuries and casualties;

**WHEREAS**, it is saddening to see motorists trying to beat pedestrians crossing a pedestrian lane or boil mad at the sight of people about to cross the street as if they have the dominion over the roadway and that the pedestrians are of least priority;

**WHEREAS**; it is expedient to reinforce the relevant law that would instill discipline among motorists plying the streets of Marikina by making sure that they would slow down when approaching a pedestrian lane or make a full stop when pedestrians are already in the process of crossing such dedicated facility;

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**WHEREAS**, clearing of streets and sidewalks are also geared towards maintaining the walkability of the City and the existence of a law that would protect pedestrians will make the City safer and more walkable;

**WHEREAS**, ensuring pedestrian safety would be a good complement to Marikina's current positioning as a SAFE CITY;

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 states that:

*“Section 16. General Welfare. - Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall x x x preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants.”*

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, AS IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED, by the SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD of MARIKINA**, in session duly assembled, that:

**SECTION 1. Title.** This Ordinance shall be known as the **“Pedestrian Safety Ordinance of Marikina City”** for brevity’s sake.

**SECTION 2. Declaration of Policy.** It is hereby declared a policy of the City Government of Marikina to provide for safer and more walkable streets and sidewalks for pedestrians and unhampered and efficient road networks for motorists.

**SECTION 3. Scope and Application.** This Ordinance shall provide for efficient and effective rules and regulations covering the safety of both pedestrians and motorists.

**SECTION 4. Definition of Terms.** For the purpose of clearly implementing this ordinance, the following terms are hereby defined:

- a. Pedestrian – shall refer to persons traveling on foot, in a wheelchair, on skates or skateboards;
- b. Sidewalk – shall refer to the elevated areas running parallel to both sides of a public road;
- c. Motorists – shall refer to any person who drives a motor vehicle whether for public or private use;
- d. Public road – shall refer to all streets, roads, bridges, highways and other thoroughfares intended for vehicular traffic.

**SECTION 5. Prohibited Acts.** The following are the prohibited acts under this ordinance:

- a. No motorized vehicle shall traverse any pedestrian lane with at least one (1) person already crossing;



- b. No pedestrian is allowed to cross the street when the green light for vehicles is lit;
- c. If the pedestrian lane is located where there is no traffic light, a pedestrian may only proceed to cross if allowed by the traffic enforcer;
- d. No pedestrian shall walk along and upon a public road paved for vehicular traffic where sidewalks are provided; and
- e. No pedestrian shall cross the street while using any electronic gadget.

**SECTION 6. *Penalty Clause.*** Motorists and Pedestrians found violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be penalized with any of the following, plus attendance to “Eskwelahan sa Bangketa”, the purpose of which is to conduct educational awareness campaign among the erring pedestrians and motorists:

- a. Fine of Three Hundred Pesos (₱300.00)
- b. Community service equivalent to four (4) to eight (8) hours
- c. Blood donation

**SECTION 7. *Implementing Agency.*** The Office of Public Safety and Security shall take charge in the implementation of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 8. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.*** The City Legal Office, in coordination with concerned departments/offices/agencies, shall be tasked to formulate the Implementing Rules and Regulations for the effective implementation of this Ordinance within sixty (60) days upon approval thereof.


**SECTION 9. *Repealing Clause.*** All ordinances and executive orders inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended and modified accordingly.

**SECTION 10. *Separability Clause.*** If, for any reason or reasons, any part or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid, other parts or provisions thereof which are not affected shall continue to be in full force and effect.


**SECTION 11. *Effectivity.*** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

**UNANIMOUSLY ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL of MARIKINA, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.**

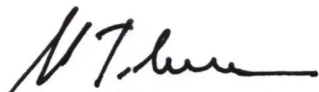
**I HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance which was duly enacted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod during its 3<sup>rd</sup> Regular Session held at the City Council Session Hall on January 22, 2020.

  
**REGINALD B. TAMAYO**  
Acting City Council Secretary

**ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED  
TO BE DULY ENACTED:**

  
**MARION S. ANDRES, M.D.**  
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED by the HON. CITY MAYOR on JAN 31 2020

  
**MARCELINO R. TEODORO**  
City Mayor