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**Municipal Ordinance No. 40**

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**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FINANCIAL BENEFIT TO SENIOR CITIZENS AND BURIAL ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES OF DECEASED SENIOR CITIZENS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HUNGDUAN, IFUGAO AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF.**

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Hungduan, Ifugao in session duly assembled that:

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as the **“Wanah Ordinance.”**

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.** – It shall be the policy of the Municipal Government to provide financial benefit and burial assistance to Senior Citizens of Hungduan, Ifugao in recognition of their vital roles and contributions to the development of the municipality.

**SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS.** As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

1. **WANAH** – Financial benefit to senior citizens and burial assistance to the families of senior citizens in the municipality of Hungduan, Ifugao.
2. **SENIOR CITIZENS**– Individuals whose ages range from 60 and above.
3. **RESIDENT**- Person who actually stayed in the municipality for at least six months.
4. **PENSIONER** – A retiree who is now receiving monthly allowance.

**SECTION 4. QUALIFICATIONS:** To avail of the benefits, the senior citizen must meet the following qualifications:

- a. **Financial Benefit:** The Senior Citizen must be a:

1. Resident of any barangay of the municipality
2. Registered voter of Hungduan, Ifugao.
3. In the top five oldest senior citizens in their respective barangays

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**b. For the Burial Assistance:**

1. The deceased senior citizen must be a resident of Hungduan at the time of his/her death.
2. The claimant shall be a member of the family of the deceased senior citizen.

**SECTION 5. DISQUALIFICATION:**

**a. For Financial Benefit:**

1. Pensioners under GSIS, PVAO, SSS etc.
2. Senior Citizens under the social pension program of the Department of Social Welfare and Development.

**b. For the burial Assistance:**

1. Pensioners under GSIS, PVAO, SSS etc.

**SECTION 6. BENEFITS:**

**a. Financial Benefit**

- An amount of Five Hundred Pesos (PhP500.00) per month shall be given to five qualified Senior Citizens per barangay in the municipality as financial benefit.

**b. For the burial Assistance:**

- A grant amounting to Two Thousand Pesos (PhP 2, 000.00) shall be extended to beneficiaries/ families of deceased Senior Citizens as Burial Assistance.

**SECTION 7. COMPOSITION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE:**

For the implementation of this ordinance, there shall be created a selection committee to be headed by the Municipal mayor or his duly authorized representative as chairperson, the head of the Social Welfare and Development Office and the chairpersons of the organizations of senior citizens in the nine barangays as members who shall meet and determine the yearly qualified senior citizens for this program.

Further, the committee shall be responsible for the formulation of the Implementing Rules and Regulations.

**SECTION 8. PROCESS OF CLAIMING THE BENEFITS AND ASSISTANCE:**

**a. Financial Benefit**

Beneficiaries shall personally claim the monthly benefit at the Municipal Treasury Office. In cases where beneficiaries cannot personally claim said subsidy, he/she may authorize his/her spouse, his/her children or a trusted person/ neighbor as representative for said claims.

**b. Burial Assistance**

In case of the death of the Senior Citizen, his/her beneficiary in the order of successional rights as given below shall be entitled to receive the burial assistance, subject to the limitations and upon submission of the requirements stipulated herein.

The following shall be the order of the successional rights of the beneficiaries/ claimants:

1. Legitimate surviving spouse at the time of his/her death
2. Legitimate children
3. Illegitimate and legally adopted children
4. Guardian for the last six months prior to the death of the senior citizen in case the latter has no immediate family

**SECTION 9. DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS.** The documentary requirements for claiming are as follows:

**a. Financial Benefit**

1. Approved and Updated Senior Citizens Identification Card
2. Certificate of residency for at least six months issued by the concerned Punong Barangay
3. Current benefit certificate from the selection committee.

**b. Burial Assistance**

1. Death Certificate from the Office of the civil registrar or from medical doctors, as the case maybe;
2. Approved and Updated Senior citizens Identification Card
3. Certification from the concerned Punong Barangay that the deceased senior citizen resided for at least six months in the barangay
4. Marriage Contract, if claimant is the spouse, and Birth Certificates, if claimant is the child of the deceased senior citizen

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5. Certificate of guardianship/ kinship from the concerned Punong Barangay in the case of Sec. 8, Par. B (4)

**SECTION 10. FUNDING.** The Municipal Government, in its Annual Appropriation Ordinance, shall appropriate an amount of **Three Hundred Ten Thousand Pesos (PhP 310, 000.00)** under the Statutory Obligation as “assistance to senior citizens”. Any sum not utilized shall be placed in the said trust fund. In case the appropriated amount is not sufficient, additional appropriation shall be included in any succeeding supplemental budget.

**SECTION 11. PENAL CLAUSE.** Any public officer and employee, who, through conspiracy, is found administratively guilty of violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be suspended for six (6) months without prejudice to the provisions of the Local Government Code of 1991 and other existing laws.

**SECTION 12. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All ordinances and policies of the Municipal Government of Hungduan contrary or inconsistent with this Ordinance are deemed repealed.

**SECTION 13. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** Should any part of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by proper authority, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected shall continue to be in full force and effect.

**SECTION 14. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

*I hereby certify to the passage of the foregoing Ordinance which was duly approved by the Sangguniang Bayan of Hungduan on 02 October, 2014.*

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*Secretary to the Sanggunian*

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