WHEREAS, Civic organizations had long been regarded as advocates of charitable and humanitarian works which all redound to the welfare of the general public;

WHEREAS, every year, these civic organizations implement various projects and programs wherein they spend time, money and effort that significantly complement the local government’s mandate of providing a wide array of public and social services to various communities in the city;

WHEREAS, the civic organization’s devotion to serve as non-profit association and their dedication to work exclusively for the welfare of the less fortunate communities is what define them, and make them achieve in their fullest capabilities; thus, with their mission and vision, they are practically the tacit, yet effective bastions of humanitarian works both in the local and global scale;

WHEREAS, there is a dire need to align the various social services, projects and programs of this civic organization with the City Government thrust, so as to serve the public in wide latitude;

WHEREAS, it has been customary for most civic organizations to have their separate weeklong celebrations particularly those which feature their achievements, thus, chances are the general public, or the greater majority of the city populace fall short of “learning” from their distinguished works and fully appreciate their various advocacies under their common oath of serving humanity;

WHEREAS, this Sanggunian deems it necessary to implement a scheme that will give due recognition to the men and women of the different civic organizations in the city, with the emphasis of consolidating and highlighting their invaluable contributions to the City’s continued growth and development, under a strong and unified administration imbued with a lasting sense of commendation and gratitude;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of City Councilor Jose Edmar J. Yumang, duly seconded by City Councilors ____________________, be it-

RESOLVED as it is hereby resolved, to enact this Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. __
Series of 2018

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE 4th WEEK OF MAY OF EVERY YEAR AS CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS WEEK IN THE CITY OF GENERAL SANTOS, PROMULGATING GUIDELINES FOR AWARDS AND SPECIAL CITATIONS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

H. Jose Edmar J. Yumang – Author/Sponsor

Be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of General Santos that:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. – This Ordinance shall be known as the “Civic Organizations Week Ordinance of General Santos City.”

SECTION 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS. – As used in this ordinance, the following terms shall mean:
Civic organizations – refer to the associations of people organized for non-profit purposes; it is an organization devoted to the promotion of charitable, health, educational and social welfare, and through their voluntary services, aim to help and improve the less fortunate communities of the City.

SECTION 3. STATEMENT OF POLICY. – It is hereby declared the policy of the City Government of General Santos to give yearly recognition of the achievements of every civic organization in the City, thereby, giving them special awards and citations that will fully highlight their respective advocacies to the people of General Santos City.

SECTION 4. MANDATE. – The celebration of Civic Organizations Week in the City of General Santos shall form an integral part of the City’s annual calendar of activities.

This weeklong celebration shall include inter-civic organization sports competitions, team building, socializing, and networking. The competition shall include the report of each civic organization featuring their best achievements and outreach programs for the year, which shall be done via a power point presentation at the City Council, with full media coverage.

The City Administrator, in coordination with the City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO), City Health Office, SP Committee Chair on Social Services, Education and Health and other concerned local government agencies, shall facilitate the formulation of policies in registration and accreditation of civic organizations, guidelines and criteria for judging, and for the giving of special awards to the civic organizations.

SECTION 5. SCOPE. – This Ordinance shall cover all existing and active non-profit civic organizations in the City of General Santos, such.

SECTION 6. BUDGET REQUIREMENT. – The City Government shall allocate funds for the implementation of this ordinance, to be incorporated in the general fund or supplemental budget.

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SECTION 7. REPEALING CLAUSE. - All previous ordinances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Ordinance shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. - If for any reasons any part or provisions of this Ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts of provisions thereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY. – This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the City.