

ORDINANCE NO. SP-1723, S-2006
(PO2006-39)

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING FOOD HANDLERS IN ALL FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY TO WEAR GLOVES, MASKS AND HAIRNET, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Introduced by Councilors RESTITUTO B. MALANGEN, ROMMEL R. ABESAMIS, ERIC Z. MEDINA FRANCISCO A. CALALAY, JR., JANET M. MALAYA, BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY, ELIZABETH A. DELARMENTE, ROMMEL R. ABESAMIS, WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, RAMON P. MEDALLA, JORGE B. BANAL, JR., FRANZ S. PUMAREN, JULIAN M.L. COSETENG, DIORELLA MARIA SOTTO-DE LEON, EDCEL B. LAGMAN, JR., ANTONIO E. INTON, JR. and BAYANI V. HIPOL.

WHEREAS, Section 15 of Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that "the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them";

WHEREAS, due to the unsanitary and unregulated business practices of food vendors, there is an urgent need to address the said deterioration and rising health, sanitation and safety problems threatening the residents of Quezon City.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. All individuals involved in preparing and handling of food for sale to the public, in all forms of service establishments such as canteens, restaurants, bars, food caterings and the like are required to wear gloves, masks and hairnet in the food preparation area at all times.

SECTION 2. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean as follows:

a. GLOVES refers to a covering for the hands made of non-porous and sturdy materials;

b. FACE MASKS refers to a covering for the nose and mouth made of light but sturdy materials;

c. HAIRNET refers to a lace-like fabric or material with uniform meshes and is used to hold hair strands in place;

d. FOOD HANDLER refers to a person employed in a food establishment and who primarily prepares and handles food for sale.

SECTION 3. Any person, owner, operator, proprietor, employee, agent, who shall be found violating this Ordinance shall be penalized as follows:

First Offense - Fine of One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.000) for the food handler and stern warning to the employer;

Second Offense - A fine of Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) for the food handler and final warning to the employer;

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Third Offense – Fine of Three Thousand Pesos (P3,000.00) for the food handler and revocation and/or cancellation of business permit and license.

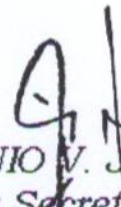
SECTION 4 – A copy of this Ordinance shall be furnished the City Health Office, the Business Permit and Licensing Office, and the Public Information Office for their information and guidance.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

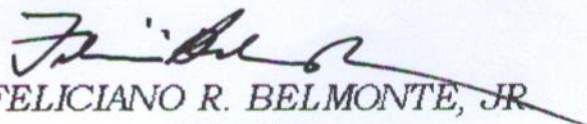
ENACTED: August 28, 2006.


ERIC Z. MEDINA
City Councilor
Acting Presiding Officer

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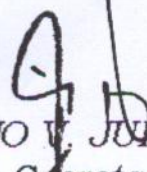

EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Secretary

APPROVED: Sept 30, 2006


FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR.
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance which was APPROVED on Second Reading on August 28, 2006, was finally PASSED on Third/Final Reading by the City Council on September 11, 2006.


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Secretary