

Republic of the Philippines
QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City
20th City Council

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ORDINANCE NO. SP- 2641, S-2017

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. SP-2285, S-2014, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE OPERATION OF ELECTRONIC GAMES (E-GAMES), BINGO GAMES, AND OTHER GAMES OF CHANCE, WHETHER MANUAL, MECHANICAL, ELECTRONIC INTERNET BROADBAND OR OTHERWISE, OPERATING WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF."

Introduced by Councilor **MARVIN C. RILLO**.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Lena Marie P. Juico, Elizabeth A. Delarmente, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Oliviere T. Belmonte, Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ramon P. Medalla, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Estrella C. Valmocina, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Kate Abigael G. Coseteng, Jose Mario Don S. De Leon, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Raquel S. Malañgen, Irene R. Belmonte, Ivy Xenia L. Lagman, Marra C. Suntay, Hero Clarence M. Bautista, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Godofredo T. Liban II, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co-Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Donato C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina and Ricardo B. Corpuz.

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, known as the Local Government Code of the Philippines states, "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 xxx xxx xxx;"

WHEREAS, Section 458 (a)(1)(v) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, expressly authorizes the Sangguniang Panlungsod to enact ordinances intended to prevent or suppress gambling within the City; A

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide for an updated regulation on gaming establishments operating within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City, in order to further safeguard the welfare and morals of the inhabitants of this City, and further discourage gambling.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. Section 3 of Ordinance No. SP-2285, S-2014 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

"SECTION 3. Persons covered. - Any person, natural or juridical, engaged in the operation of e-Games, bingo games, cockfights and other games of chance within the territorial jurisdiction of this City, with a capitalization of less than One Billion Pesos (P1,000,000,000.00), is required to obtain a special permit from the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

Gaming establishments with a capitalization of at least One Billion Pesos (P1,000,000,000.00) or more, operating within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City, are required to secure letters of no objection from the Office of the Mayor of which function shall be delegated to the Chief of the Business Permits and Licensing Office (BPLO) prior to the issuance of all permits and licenses by the Quezon City Government. For this purpose, the Office of the City Mayor, through the BPLO, shall issue the appropriate rules and regulations governing this paragraph not inconsistent with the purposes of this Ordinance.

Games of chance operated by carnivals that provide prizes with a cumulative monetary value of at least Thirty Thousand Pesos (P30,000.00) shall be covered by this Ordinance."

SECTION 2. Section 9 (a) and 9 (e) of Ordinance No. SP-2285, S-2014 is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

"SECTION 9. Regulatory requirements. - The gaming establishments operating in this City shall comply with the following regulatory requirements:

- (a) On capitalization - All gaming establishments with a capitalization of at least One Billion Pesos (P1,000,000,000.00) shall not be covered by the regulatory requirements imposed by this Section; provided, that, nothing hereunder shall exempt such gaming establishments from compliance with other rules and regulations governing their operations as may be provided for by the Philippine Gaming and Amusement Corporation (PAGCOR) and other applicable laws;

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- (e) On advertisement - No advertisement or streamer promoting gaming establishments shall be placed in front of or within two hundred (200) meter radius of any place of worship or institute of learning in this City. All advertisements used by gaming establishments must not portray, encourage, or condone gambling behavior that is socially irresponsible or could lead to financial harm. It must not be directed at children or feature people who are or who appear to be under 21 years old, or suggest that gambling can be a solution to financial problems.

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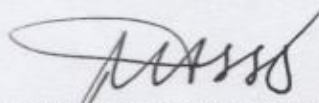
SECTION 3. All other ordinances, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby modified or repealed accordingly. A

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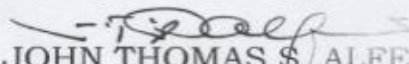
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SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

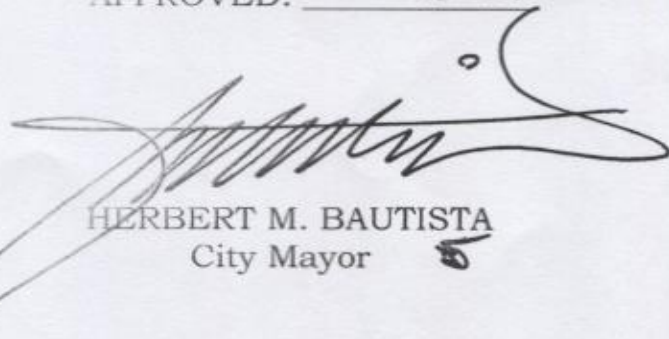
ENACTED: November 27, 2017.


RODERICK M. PAULATE
President Pro-Tempore
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

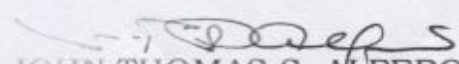

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APPROVED: 11 DEC 2017


HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on November 27, 2017 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on December 4, 2017.


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