

QC DESIGNATES SEATS FOR PWDS, PREGNANT WOMEN, SENIOR CITIZENS

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QUEZON City Mayor **Herbert Bautista** recently approved an ordinance that designates courtesy seats for persons with disability (PWDs), pregnant women and senior citizens in all private and public establishments. Introduced by Councilors **Donato Matias** and **Franz Pumaren**, the measure states that courtesy seats in all establishments in QC must be provided, with appropriate signage, to give PWDs, pregnant women and senior citizens better safety and comfort. Violators would be issued warning for the first offense, but would face a fine of P5,000 and/or six months suspension of business permit on the second offense, and P5,000 fine and/or revocation of business permit on the third offense. All government offices within QC shall also receive a warning from the Quezon City **Office for Senior Citizens Affairs**, **Persons with Disability Affairs Office** and the **Social Services Development Department** for the first offense and corresponding penalties for subsequent offenses.