



75th Regular Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP-971 S-2000

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL RESTAURANTS, EATERIES, COCKTAIL LOUNGES AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY TO MOUNT OR DISPLAY NOTICES IN CONSPICUOUS PLACES WITHIN AND INSIDE THE PREMISES AS TO THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF PERSONS THAT SAID ESTABLISHMENTS CAN ACCOMMODATE AT ANY GIVEN TIME AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Introduced by Councilor NANETTE CASTELO DAZA.
Co-Introduced by Councilors Antonio L. Sison, Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Ma. Fresca M. Biglang-awa, Marciano P. Medalla, Eric Z. Medina, Jorge L. Banal, Julian M.L. Coseteng, Fernando V. Avanzado, Jesus C. Suntay, Ramon G. Mathay, Alma F. Montilla, Bayani V. Hipol and Almario E. Francisco.

WHEREAS, business establishments such as restaurants, nightclubs, karaoke bars, massage parlors and other similar entities admit and accept customers more than they can accommodate at any given time in their desire for profits in spite of the limited space and capacity in total disregard of their patrons' convenience, safety and welfare;

WHEREAS, the bitter and painful lesson inflicted upon the city and its people by the Ozone disco tragedy, as well as other similar unfortunate incidents, is more than enough reason for the government to adopt and implement measures designed and intended to protect the health and safety of the general public;

WHEREAS, all business establishments are issued building permits after complying with all the requirements, including the determination of the total number of persons that they can accommodate, in order to prevent possible loss of life and property during emergency cases;

WHEREAS, to prominently mount and display notices relative to the above will serve to forewarn the public about the inconveniences and possible danger posed by overcrowding;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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SECTION 1. All restaurants, nightclubs, discos, videoke bars, massage parlors, and other similar establishments operating within the city are hereby required to mount and display notices in conspicuous places within and inside the premises stating the maximum capacity of persons that the said entities can accommodate at any given time.


SECTION 2. The City's Business Permits and Licensing Office is hereby directed to include this requirement as a pre-requisite for the granting or renewal of business permit to establishments covered in this ordinance.

SECTION 3. Any entity found violating any provision of this ordinance shall be penalized by a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) for the first offense and the suspension of business permits for thirty (30) days for the second offense.

SECTION 4. Any order, rules and regulations, city resolutions and ordinances that are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, amended and/or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.


ENACTED: December 5, 2000.


JORGE L. BANAL
President Pro-Tempore
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary

APPROVED: JAN 16 2001


ISMAEL A. MATEY, JR.
City Mayor