Republic of the Philippines
CITY COUNCIL
Quezon City
16th City Council

57th Regular Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP-1688, S-2006
(PO2005-280)

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING EVERY MEDICAL MISSION TO BE CONDUCTED WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY TO GIVE NOTICE AND COORDINATE WITH THE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND/OR THE QUEZON CITY GENERAL HOSPITAL FOR ANY PROGRAM OR ACTIVITY INVOLVING MINOR AND/OR MAJOR SURGICAL OPERATION, MEDICAL OR DENTAL SERVICES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Introduced by Councilors RESTITUTO B. MALAÑGEN, ROMMEL R. ABESAMIS, ERIC Z. MEDINA, FRANCISCO A. CALALAY, JR. and JANET M. MALAYA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernadette Herrera-Dy, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Joseph P. Juico, Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Ramon P. Medalla, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Jorge B. Banal, Jr., Franz S. Pumaren and Antonio E. Inton, Jr.,

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WHEREAS, the City government has an established policy, rules and regulations concerning health services which serve as a blueprint of the overall health program of the City;

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the invaluable help being provided by the medical missions, it is however, the main concern of the City government to monitor activities relating to the conduct of medical missions, more particularly those involving minor/major surgical operations, in order to protect the welfare of its constituents against possible injuries and complications brought about by lack of proper training of those performing the operations and those administering the drugs in the course of the mission;

WHEREAS, it is also important that these medical mission conform with the established city health program in order to avoid the duplication of health services being rendered to the city residents and constituents;

WHEREAS, this ordinance is not in any way meant to discourage the conduct of medical missions in the city but to maximize the benefits that may be derived therefrom through coordinated and complemented effort by and between the city government and the organizers thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1 – The organizer/s of every medical mission is/are hereby required to give notice and coordinate with the City Health Office any program or activity involving minor/major surgical operation, medical or dental services that will be conducted within the jurisdiction of Quezon City at least two (2) weeks prior to the conduct of said activity. Provided, however, that the receipt of the City thru the Quezon City Health Department of the notice from the organizer of the medical mission does not constitute of any waiver on the part of the Quezon City government of civil or criminal liability.

SECTION 2 – The organizer/s of every medical mission is/are hereby required to give notice and coordinate with the Quezon City General Hospital any activity involving major surgical operations (cataract extraction, thyroidectomy, etc.) that will be conducted within the jurisdiction of Quezon City.

SECTION 3 – The City Health Department and/or Quezon City General Hospital are hereby assigned to enforce and promulgate the guidelines necessary for the effective implementation of this ordinance.

SECTION 5 – Failure of the organizer to give notice will be penalized with a maximum amount of Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00).

SECTION 6. This ordinance will not apply to medical missions organized by government officials and/or entity.

SECTION 7 – This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED: May 22, 2006.

HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Secretary

APPROVED: June 7, 2006

FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR.
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance which was APPROVED on Second Reading on May 22, 2006, was finally PASSED on Third/Final Reading by the City Council on May 29. 2006.

EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Secretary