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Quezon City
CITY COUNCIL

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Ordinance No. NC- 117, S-89

ORDINANCE
ENSURING ATTENDANCE TO AND MEDICAL TREATMENT OF
EMERGENCY PATIENTS BROUGHT TO ANY HOSPITAL AND
MEDICAL CLINIC IN QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilor Isidro R. Saludes.
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WHEREAS, the medical profession and institu-
tions have been established first and foremost to
save lives and the profit-motive is only secondary;

WHEREAS, there is no moral excuse for refusing
to save the life of a person who is on the point
of death, be he an enemy or a poor person who is
unable to make a deposit or secure the necessary
medicine;

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it enacted by the City Council of Quezon
City in session assembled:

SECTION 1. For purposes of this ordinance,
an emergency patient is any person who is suffer-
ing from life-threatening illness or serious
injuries. The term emergency patient includes a
pregnant woman who is undergoing labor pains but
cannot deliver the child except by caesarian
operation.

SECTION 2. It shall be the duty of the
authorities concerned of any hospital and medical
clinic to attend towards the proper treatment of
any emergency patient brought to a hospital or
medical clinic.

SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful for any
hospital or medical clinic, private or government-
owned, to unduly refuse to admit and extend
medical care and treatment to an emergency patient.



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