

## Republika ng Pilipinas Lungsod Quezon SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD (City Council)

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## 123rd Regular Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP- 630 , S-98

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN EMBLEM OR SYMBOL OF AUTHORITY FOR THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors BAYANI V. HIPOL, VICTOR V. FERRER, JR., WILMA AMORANTO-SARINO, MOISES S. SAMSON, ALBERTO M. GALARPE, ANTONIO L. SIOSON, EMILIO G. TAMAYO, WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, MA. FRESCA M. BIGLANG-AWA, GODOFREDO T. LIBAN II, MARCIANO P. MEDALLA, ANTONIO V. HERNANDEZ (Anthony Alonzo), ENRICO S. SERRANO, CONNIE S. ANGELES, FRANZ S. PUMAREN, JORGE L. BANAL, MICHAEL F. PLANAS, EUFEMIO C. LAGUMBAY, CESAR A. DARIO, JR., JOSEPH PETER S. SISON, NANETTE CASTELO DAZA, HERMINIA C. ALTUNA, ALFREDO A. FRANCISCO (Fred Montilla), RAMON G. MATHAY, ALMARIO E. FRANCISCO and MARVIN C. RILLO.

WHEREAS, within the pages of recorded history is written the inscrutable fact that in the older times a staff, usually in the form of a mace, was borne by, carried before, or placed near a magistrate or other dignitary as an ensign of his authority;

WHEREAS, through the years this tradition of magistracy has continued to lend itself as a solemn manifestation of power such that even modern magistrature requires the investiture of an emblem or ensign of authority a condition precedent to the exercise of official function;

WHEREAS, the conduct of this magisterial convention finds no exception in the Philippine Congress as the latter has its own mace which symbolizes its own authority and which must first be installed at the podium beside the Presiding Officer before the opening of every official or regular session, failing which no such session can validly proceed;

WHEREAS, in the local set-up, the City Council of Quezon City must also adopt its own symbol of authority if only to manifest its role as the repository of local legislative authority;

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## NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby adopted an ensign or symbol of authority for the City Council of Quezon City which consists basically of its own circular logo mounted on a facsimile of the Quezon Memorial Monument and firmly attached to a tapered pole set on a circular base.

SECTION 2. The symbol of authority of the City Council as herein adopted shall in an appropriate ceremony be installed at the right side of the elevated podium of the City Council by a mace-bearer who shall be the Sergeant-At-Arms of the City Council upon order of the Presiding Officer before the start of any special or regular session, failing which no such sessions can validly proceed.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ADOPTED: February 24, 1998.

ATTESTED:

EUGENIO V. JURILLA City Secretary MARCIANO P. MEDALLA
Acting Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

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ISMAEL A. MATHAY, JR.

City Mayor

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