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**QUEZON CITY COUNCIL**

Quezon City  
19<sup>th</sup> City Council

PO19CC-311

69<sup>th</sup> Regular Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP- 2438, S-2015

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE SALE OF SILVER CLEANER WITH CYANIDE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREOF.**

*Introduced by Councilor DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE.*

*Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Roderick M. Paulate, Ramulfo Z. Ludovica, Estrella C. Valmocina, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Jaime F. Borres, Jesus Manuel C. Suntay, Raquel S. Malañgen, Jessica Castelo Daza, Bayani V. Hipol, Godofredo T. Liban II, Candy A. Medina, Marivic Co-Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan and Ricardo B. Corpuz.*

*WHEREAS, the Philippine Constitution grants the State inherent police power where from all government units derive regulatory authority for the common good;*

*WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, which states, inter alia, that, "within their respective jurisdiction, local government unit/s shall ensure and support, among other things, x x x promote health and safety, x x x and preserve the comfort and convenience of the inhabitants";*

*WHEREAS, likewise, it is a declared policy of the State to promote the preservation, protection and revival of our eco-system through the prevention, control and abatement of any pollutants in our environment;*

*WHEREAS, silver cleaner with cyanide are sold in retail outlets and the use thereof, poses danger to the health and safety of the community at large with countless incidents of deaths resulting from the improper use/storage, thereof, there is urgent need to prohibit or ban the sale of silver cleaner with cyanide in retail outlets;*

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WHEREAS, there is a joint DOH-DENR Advisory 2010-0001 regarding "Ban on Silver Jewelry Cleaning Solution Containing Cyanide and Other Toxic Substances" issued on September 2010 (signed by former Health Secretary Enrique T. Ona and Environment Secretary Ramon J.P. Paje) and reiterated under DOH Memorandum Circular 2011-004 issued on 3 January 2011 (signed by Health Undersecretary Mario C. Villaverde).

NOW, THEREFORE

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

SECTION 1. This Ordinance is entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE SALE OF SILVER CLEANER WITH CYANIDE IN ALL BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS".

SECTION 2. PROHIBITION OF SELLING CLEANER WITH CYANIDE -All silver jewelry shops, street and sidewalk vendors and other retailers operating within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City are prohibited to sell silver cleaner with cyanide and other toxic substances. The Chief of Business Permits and Licensing Office or his representatives are hereby granted visitorial powers over all establishments to ensure the implementation of the Ordinance.

SECTION 3. A). PENALTIES - Any person found guilty for violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be penalized either by imprisonment of not less than one (1) month but not more than three (3) months or a fine of not less than Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00), or both, at the discretion of the Court;

B). In addition, if the violator is a business entity registered with the City government of Quezon City, the business permit of the said entity shall automatically be cancelled;

SECTION 4. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - If for any reason, any provision, section, or part of this Ordinance is declared not valid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not affect or impair the remaining provisions, sections, or parts hereof which shall continue to be in force and effect.

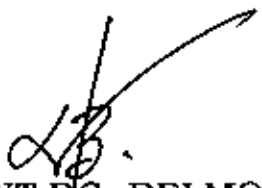
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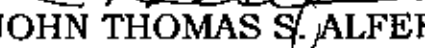
**SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE** – All ordinances, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, in conflict with, or inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

**SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY** – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

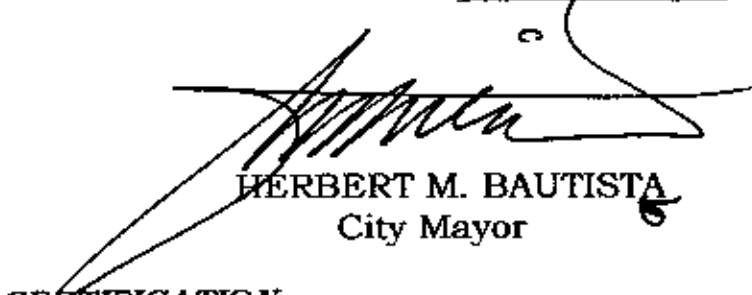
ENACTED: August 24, 2015.

  
VINCENT D.G. BELMONTE  
President Pro-Tempore  
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


  
Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III  
City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III

APPROVED: 12 OCT 2015

  
HERBERT M. BAUTISTA  
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

*This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on August 24, 2015 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on September 1, 2015.*

  
Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III  
City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III.

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