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ORDINANCE NO. SP- **2820** , S-2019

AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE BASIC MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR ALL DAY CARE CENTER FACILITIES WITHIN QUEZON CITY.

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and Noe Lorenzo B. Dela Fuente III.

WHEREAS, in 2012, the Quezon City government enacted its landmark legislation for children entitled the Quezon City Children's Code of 2012 (Ordinance No. SP-2180, S-2011) in acknowledgment of its role, obligation and commitment to ensure the child's survival, development, protection, and participation;

WHEREAS, national laws (Presidential Decree No. 603, Republic Act No. 9344, DILG MC 2002-121, 2008-125) mandates every local government unit to ensure the protection of children;

WHEREAS, setting internationally accepted minimum standards will ensure the safety and welfare of the pupils, and will further maintain the city's status as one of the child-friendly cities with efficient and effective policies, programs, and projects for the well-being of children.

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NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. TITLE – “An Ordinance Prescribing The Basic
Minimum Standards For All Day Care Center Facilities Within
Quezon City.”

SECTION 2. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS – All Day Care Centers
within Quezon City shall comply with the following standards:

- a. The location of the center should be walking distance from the neighborhood and far from dangerous and unsanitary places such as but not limited to, beside the main road, mortuary, creekside and gambling dens.
- b. It should be accessible and large enough to accommodate the children with a minimum of two square meters (2 sq.m.) indoor space for three (3) children and one square meter (1 sq.m) per child for outdoor play.
- c. It should preferably be located at the ground floor to prevent falling accidents and to facilitate immediate evacuation during emergencies.
- d. An area should be provided for food preparation (kitchen), handwashing and tooth brushing, stock room and comfort room.
- e. It should provide at least one (1) toilet seat (kiddie size toilet bowl, lavatory and kiddie urinal) separate for boys and girls.

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- f. There should be a hand wash/toothbrush facility with at least five (5) faucets to accommodate five (5) children at a time in compliance with Republic Act No. 8980 and City Ordinance No. SP-2446, S-2015, preferably with the following measurements: 24 inches' height, 69 inches' length, 19 inches' width.
- g. The center should have electricity, proper and adequate lighting and ventilation, potable water supply, firefighting equipment, first aid kit, feeding utensils and furniture, cubby holes, toy shelves, kiddie chairs and tables, teacher's chair and tables.

SECTION 3. COMPLIANCE - Upon the effectivity of this Ordinance, all Day Care Centers shall have four (4) years to comply with the same to ensure the safety and protection of the children, and as a prerequisite for the continuance of its operation.

SECTION 4. PENAL CLAUSE - Failure to comply with this Ordinance shall incur the following penalties:

- 1st Violation - a stern warning shall be given to the non-compliant day care center.
- 2nd Violation - a maximum fine of Php5,000.00 shall be imposed.
- 3rd Violation - non renewal of license to operate by the Early Childhood Care and Development Council of this City, and order its subsequent closure.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE - All ordinances, resolutions, local executive orders, rules and regulations, or any part thereof inconsistent herewith are deemed repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - In case any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect. ¶

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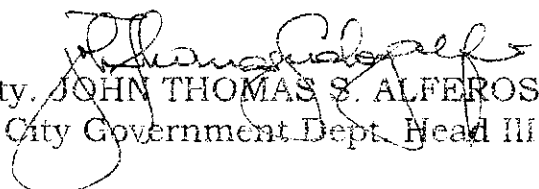
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SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

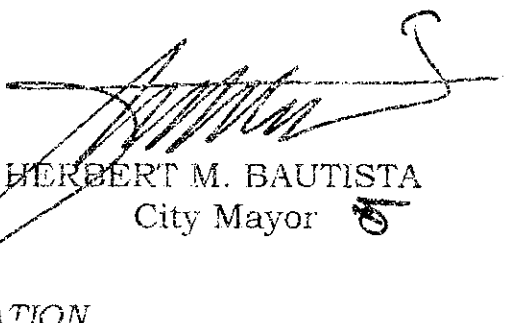
ENACTED: February 11, 2019.


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Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:



Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Government Dept. Head III

APPROVED: 19 MAR 2019


HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on February 11, 2019 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on February 26, 2019.


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Government Dept. Head III

