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SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
(City Council)

Ordinance No. SP- 35, S-92

ORDINANCE
MANDATING THE OBSERVANCE OF THE "INTERNATIONAL DAY
TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN" EVERY NOVEMBER 26
OF EACH YEAR IN QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Vice Mayor Charito L.
Planas, Councilors Connie S.
Angeles and Ma. Fresca M. Biglang-awa.
Co-Introduced by Councilors Reynaldo A.
Calalay, Alberto M. Galarpe, Emilio
G. Tamayo, Moises S. Samson, Victor V.
Ferrer, Jr., Godofredo T. Liban, II,
Cesar A. Dario, Jr., Joseph Peter S.
Sison and Ramon G. Mathay.

WHEREAS, November 26 of each year is observed throughout the world as the "International Day to End Violence Against Women".

WHEREAS, this year's observance is particularly significant in view of the upcoming UN Conference on Human Rights in June, 1993, wherein all women's groups would petition for the inclusion of domestic violence, including wife beating, in the list of human rights violations.

WHEREAS, it has been observed in many countries that abuse of one's spouse is not even considered a crime, with law enforcers tending to look the other way, not wanting to get embroiled in what they consider a "private matter".

WHEREAS, studies have shown that domestic violence, while occurring in the confines of a home, has its social dimensions. Children growing up with an abusive parent, for instance, are socialized into believing that violence is an integral part of relationships, or worse, equating pain with love.

WHEREAS, in recognition of that social impact of domestic violence, there is a need to organize public and community-based responses to address such problem of wife-beating, once considered a private affair, by strictly observing the law against domestic violence, and organizing groups to monitor and prevent any violations thereof.