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AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF CELLULAR TELEPHONES, UHF OR VHF COMMUNICATION RADIOS AND OTHER SIMILAR COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT WHILE DRIVING WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Introduced by Councilor MOISES S. SAMSON.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Alberto M. Galarpe, Godofredo T. Liban II, Marciano P. Medalla, Connie S. Angeles, Jorge L. Banal, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Cesar A. Dario, Jr. and Joseph Peter S. Sison.

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provides:

“SEC. 16. General Welfare. - Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare. Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology, encourage and support the development of appropriate and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, improve public morals, enhance economic prosperity and social justice, promote full employment among their residents, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants.”

WHEREAS, there is a growing number of drivers who use cellular telephones, UHF or VHF communication radios and other similar communication equipment while driving;

WHEREAS, when driving a motor vehicle and at the same time using cellular telephone, UHF or VHF communication radio and other similar communication devices, the attention of the driver is divided between driving and the use of such equipment thus, increasing the risk of making a driving error that may bring about a traffic accident;

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