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AN ORDINANCE DECLARING UNLAWFUL THE MANUFACTURE AND SALE OF TOY GUNS WHICH ARE LOOK-ALIKE, REPLICA AND/OR REPRODUCTION OR RESEMBLANCE OF REAL GUNS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Introduced by Councilor NANETTE CASTELO DAZA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Wilma Amoranto-Sarino, Moises S. Samson, Alberto M. Galarpe, 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, Jorge L. Banal, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Joseph Peter S. Sison, and Bayani V. Hipol.

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 55 of the 1987 Constitution provides:

"The maintenance of peace and order, protection of life, liberty and property and the promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all people of the blessings of democracy."

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the State to create an atmosphere conducive to the proper upbringing of the citizenry that would ensure the compliance with the above provision in our Constitution;

WHEREAS, the exposure of guns may endanger the moral formation of our children since guns are instruments of violence and aggression;

WHEREAS, the minds of children are easily molded at their young age which has a lasting effect in the adult life of the child;

WHEREAS, children who play with toy guns are easily led to believe that the use of guns to kill or inflict harm on others is an accepted fact or a reality of life;

WHEREAS, the criminal behavior of individuals are often related to violence in the form of guns;

WHEREAS, toys are primarily made to provide a wholesome entertainment and there are numerous alternative educational toys which will help mold the minds of children towards a violent-free future.

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