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AN ORDINANCE PENALIZING THE OWNER/OPERATORS OF ANY BUSINESS AND/OR ENTERTAINMENT ESTABLISHMENT OPERATING IN QUEZON CITY FOR HIRING/EMPLOYING CHILDREN AND MINORS.

Introduced by Councilor NANETTE CASTELO DAZA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Vincent P. Crisologo, Elizabeth A. Delarmente, Rommel R. Abesamis, Godofredo T. Liban II, Jorge L. Banal, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Julian M.L. Coseteng, Anthony C. Castelo, Jesus C. Suntay, Marcel C. Rillo, Ramon G. Mathay, Bayani V. Hipol and Almario E. Francisco.

WHEREAS, there are business establishments in Quezon City, notably the entertainment sector, exploiting and/or employing the services of minors in violation of existing laws on the protection of children and minors including, but not limited to, the Labor Code of the Philippines, the Child and Youth Welfare Code (P.D. 603), the Child Prostitution and Other Sexual Abuse Law (R.A. 7610), and the Anti-Sexual Harassment Law (R.A. 7877);

WHEREAS, on the part of the Quezon City government which has the power and authority to issue permits to regulate the establishment, operation or conduct of business and/or entertainment establishments in Quezon City, there is a need to provide measures that will prevent these establishments from violating pertinent laws by temporarily suspending the Mayor's Permit of the concerned establishment and ordering its temporary closure after an information has been filed in Court charging the owner, manager, operator, president and/or chairman of the board thereof of a crime involving violation of laws on the protection of children and minor;

WHEREAS, under the Rules of Court, when an information is filed in Court, it means that the investigating fiscal has found cause to hold the respondent for trial for the crime charged and that there is a reasonable ground to believe that a crime has been committed and the accused is probably guilty thereof;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991" provides that:

"Section 16. General Welfare. - Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare...";

WHEREAS, under Section 455 (b)(3)(iv) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991", the City Mayor has the power to "issue licenses and permits and suspend or revoke the same for any violation of the conditions upon which said licenses or permits had been issued, pursuant to law or ordinance";