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ORDINANCE NO. SP- 803 - 1999

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE STANDARDIZATION OF FUNERAL CHARGES FOR THE INDIGENTS, AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR OF QUEZON CITY TO SET UP ITS OWN SYSTEM OF ACCREDITATION OF FUNERAL PARLORS AND FORMULATE AND IMPLEMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS AND TO CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARINGS THEREFOR, RESTRICTING WAKES TO SEVEN DAYS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

Introduced by Councilor ELIZABETH A. DELARMENTE.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Godofredo T. Liban II, Marciano P. Medalla, Eric Z. Medina, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Jesus C. Suntay, Marcel C. Rillo and Bayani V. Hipol.

WHEREAS, Quezon City has its share of indigents who cannot afford the fees charged for decent funeral services;

WHEREAS, the City government recognizes the right of all person, to decent funeral services regardless of socio-economic status;

WHEREAS, the practice of extending wakes to raise funds for funeral expenses should be discouraged since the unnecessary continuous exposure of a cadaver is unsanitary and could adversely affect the health of the living;

WHEREAS, accreditation of funeral parlors willing to provide decent funeral services for the indigent for a reasonable fee would make it possible for the poor to have the said privilege without extending the period of wakes;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. Duly accredited funeral parlors in Quezon City shall peg a standard fee for decent funeral services to indigents of the City which shall not exceed Ten Thousand Pesos (P10,000.00).

SECTION 2. For this purpose, an appropriate agency under the Office of the City Mayor, hereinafter referred to as the agency, for brevity, is hereby authorized to set up, establish and implement a system of accreditation and/or registration of funeral parlors doing business in Quezon City. The accredited funeral parlors shall comply with such implementing guidelines, rules and regulations as may be formulated by the agency in the effective enforcement of this Ordinance. The City Mayor shall designate the agency within a period of one month after the approval of this Ordinance.