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ORDINANCE NO. SP 1149, S-2002

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TAX RELIEF TO RETAILERS AND FRANCHISE HOLDERS DOING BUSINESS IN QUEZON CITY IN THE FORM OF ANNUAL DISCOUNTS FROM THE NEW TAX RATES PRESCRIBED UNDER ORDINANCE NO. SP-1080, S-2001, PURSUANT TO SECTION 192 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991.

Introduced by Councilors BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY, VICTOR V. FERRER, JR., VINCENT P. CRISOLOGO, ELIZABETH A. DELARMENTE, JULIAN M.L. COSETENG, WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY, JESUS MANUEL "Bong" C. SUNTAY, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR., JANET M. MALAYA, RESTITUTO B. MALAÑGEN and MARVIN C. RILLO.

WHEREAS, the passage of Ordinance No. SP-1080, S-2001, saw a "dramatic" albeit legal increase in business tax rates in Quezon City;

WHEREAS, in reaction thereto, some large taxpayer-retailers proposed that an "annual discount be granted on the taxes payable under the new rates;"

WHEREAS, the retailers and franchise holders, by reason of their huge annual gross sales/receipts and upon application of the progressive system of taxation, have felt the most impact of the increase;

WHEREAS, Section 192 of the Local Government Code of 1991 authorizes local government units, thru duly approved ordinances, to grant tax exemptions, incentives or reliefs under such terms and conditions as they may deem necessary;

WHEREAS, in a letter dated April 11, 2002, several affected taxpayers, retailers and holders of franchises, requested the Office of the City Mayor, the Vice Mayor and the Members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod for relief, in the form of tax discount, from the immediate operation of Ordinance No. SP-1080, S-2001, and indicated therein their willingness to accede to Ordinance No. SP-1080, S-2001, but cited prevailing circumstances in support of their request for relief;

WHEREAS, in a letter dated May 7, 2002, the Office of the City Treasurer recommended the grant of tax discount as requested by the affected taxpayers, but with modifications as regards the rate;