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AN ORDINANCE CREATING A UNIT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING OF QUEZON CITY TO BE KNOWN AS "THE OFFICE OF THE BUILDING OFFICIAL", AND PROVIDING FOR ITS ORGANIZATION, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS AS WELL AS THE NECESSARY FUNDS THEREFOR.

Introduced by Councilors BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY, WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, ELIZABETH A. DELARMENTE, VICTOR V. FERRER, JR., FRANCISCO A. CALALAY, JR., ERIC Z. MEDINA, WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY, RESTITUTO B. MALAÑGEN and XYRUS L. LANOT.

WHEREAS, Section 477 of Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that "the City and Municipal Engineer shall also act as the Local Building Official";

WHEREAS, such concurrent arrangement creates operational difficulties in first-class municipalities, urbanized, and highly urbanized cities, such as Quezon City;

WHEREAS, other urbanized and highly-urbanized cities in the National Capital Region like Manila, Parañaque and Caloocan Cities have separate Offices of the Building Official because these offices happen to be in existence at the time Republic Act 7160 was promulgated, unlike Quezon City which only had a mere Building Permits Division under its Department of Engineering at that crucial time;

WHEREAS, to be at par with the said cities in terms of performance and service delivery, it is imperative to have a specialized and highly professional unit within the Department of Engineering of Quezon City to exclusively assist the City Engineer in his additional function as Building Official;

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