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(PO2005-132)

AN ORDINANCE PRIORITIZING QUEZON CITY RESIDENTS FOR ENROLLMENT IN QUEZON CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Introduced by Councilors RESTITUTO B. MALAÑGEN, ERIC Z. MEDINA, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR., RAMON P. MEDALLA, ALLAN BUTCH T. FRANCISCO, JORGE B. BANAL, JR., VOLTAIRE GODOFREDO L. LIBAN III, FRANZ S. PUMAREN and FRANCISCO A. CALALAY, JR.

Co-introduced by Councilors Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Bernadette Herrera-Dy, Elizabeth A. Delarmente, Edcel B. Lagnan, Jr. and Bayani V. Hipol.

WHEREAS, Section 17, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that "the State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development."

WHEREAS, Section 13, Article II, of the 1987 Constitution recognizes the role of the youth in nation building;

WHEREAS, the Constitution therefore lends support to the promotion of their welfare and well being in order that they may become physically, morally, spiritually, intellectual and socially good citizens of the nation;

WHEREAS, in addition to the foregoing provision, the Constitution further provides that "the State shall protect the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all;

WHEREAS, it is a fact, however, that most classes admit more than the ideal number of students allowable per classroom which leads to inefficiency and an atmosphere no longer conducive to learning;

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WHEREAS, Section 17, (b) (2) (viii) of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that:

"The local government units shall exercise such other powers and discharge such other functions and responsibilities as are necessary, appropriate, incidental to efficient and effective provision of basic services and facilities such as."

"(viii) Infrastructure facilities intended primarily to service the needs of the residents of the City and which are funded out, including but not limited to, school buildings and other facilities."

WHEREAS, Book IV of DECS Service Manual 2000, entitled "Regulations Directly Affecting Pupils/Students" particularly, Chapter I Enrollment/Admission/Readmission provides that:

Section 1, General Guidelines

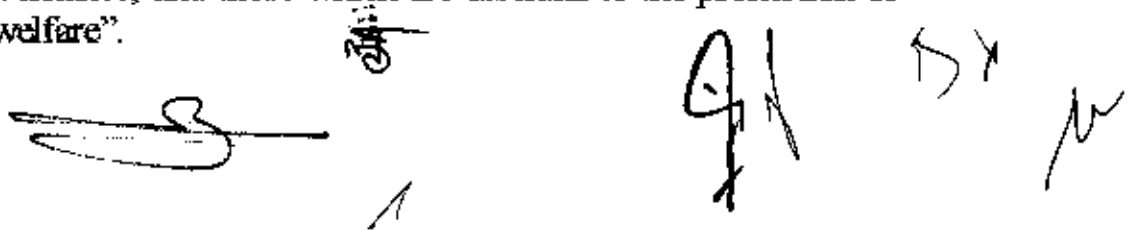
"1.1 It is the policy of the State to provide for a free and compulsory elementary education and a free public secondary education (D.O. No. 44, S. 1998).

Conformably, the following shall be observed:

"1.1.1 No. Filipino pupil/student shall refused admission, by reason of sex, creed, socio-economic status, racial or ethnic origin, political and other affiliation in the public school system.

However, due to limited space in a particular school some students may be referred to other public schools preferably within the community or they may be referred to private schools under the Educational Service Contracting Scheme, Admission to central schools and schools identified as leader schools, science or science and technology schools shall be based on established criteria (D.O. No. 47 S. 1998)

WHEREAS, the City Government's initiative is in conformity with the provisions of Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 which provides that "every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied from, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare".

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NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. Admission of students to elementary and secondary public schools in Quezon City shall strictly conform to the following order of priority:

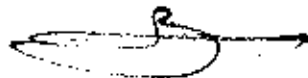
- 1.a. FOR ELEMENTARY PUBLIC SCHOOL
- 1st Priority - Residents of Quezon city
 - 2nd Priority - Non-Residents (should there be available slots after all Quezon City residents are admitted)
- 2.a. FOR SECONDARY PUELIC HIGH SCHOOL
- 1st Priority - Graduate of an elementary School in Quezon City and residents of Quezon City.
 - 2nd Priority - Graduate of an Elementary School in Quezon City
 - 3rd Priority - Residents of Quezon City
 - 4th Priority - Non-Residents (should there be available slots after all Quezon City residents are admitted)

SECTION 2. The number of students per classroom shall be limited to 45 pupils.

SECTION 3. As a prerequisites to enrollment, the enrollee shall be required to present any one of the following documentary pieces of evidence as proof of residency, such as barangay clearance of his parents/guardians, postal ID of his parents/guardians, or company ID and any other legal documents that would prove the students residency.

SECTION 4. Non-compliance with the preceeding section shall be sufficient ground for the school principal's refusal or non-acceptance of the enrollee.

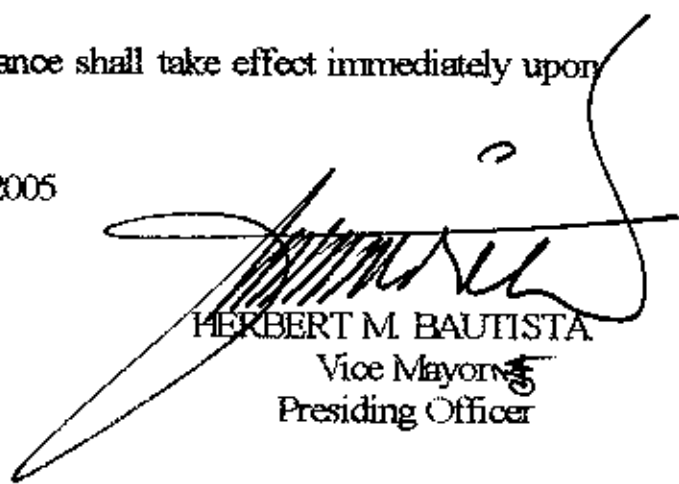
SECTION 5. The Division of City Schools of Quezon City is hereby tasked to post this ordinance in conspicuous places in all public schools within the city.



SECTION 6. The Office of the City Mayor is hereby tasked to formulate the necessary guidelines for the efficient implementation of this Ordinance

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED: August 23, 2005




HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:



EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Secretary


APPROVED: _____



FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR.
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance which was APPROVED on Second Reading on August 23, 2005, was finally PASSED on Third Reading by the City Council on August 30, 2005.



EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Secretary