



Republic of the Philippines  
**QUEZON CITY COUNCIL**  
Quezon City  
16<sup>th</sup> City Council

1<sup>st</sup> Special Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP- **1603**, S-2005  
(PO2005-197/PO2005-211)

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE INTERCONNECTING OR RECEPTION OF ANY SERVICE BEING OFFERED OVER A CABLE TELEVISION (CATV) OR CABLE INTERNET SYSTEM AND/OR NETWORK BY OR THROUGH ANY UNAUTHORIZED INSTALLATION ACCESS OR CONNECTION THERETO, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Introduced by Councilors RESTITUTO B. MALAÑGEN, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR., WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, AIKO MELENDEZ, RAMON P. MEDALLA, VOLTAIRE GODOFREDO L. LIBAN III, ERIC Z. MEDINA, ALLAN BUTCH T. FRANCISCO, JORGE B. BANAL, JR., FRANZ S. PUMAREN, DANTE M. DE GUZMAN, JULIAN M.L. COSETENG, BAYANI V. HIPOL and XYRUS L. LANOT.

WHEREAS, the Cable Television (CATV) and/or Cable Internet System have both become major business undertakings in Quezon City, each employing a considerable number of employees and contributing to the treasury in terms of their respective taxes annually;

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the local government to equally protect the welfare and interest of both CATV and Internet Service provider and/or operators and thus ensure their continued viability;

WHEREAS, the unauthorized use, interception or reception of the services being offered by CATV and Internet Service providers and operators by means of any unauthorized installations, access or connection thereto committed by unscrupulous residents/individuals within the City have greatly affected the said operators' continued viability.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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**SECTION 1. TITLE.** – This Ordinance shall be known as the “Anti Cable Television (CATV) and Cable Internet Pilferage Ordinance of Quezon City.”

**SECTION 2.** For the purpose of and as used in this ordinance, the term “tapping” is hereby defined as connection made from an existing authorized CATV or Cable Internet Subscriber to another household/entity which is not a legitimate subscriber.

**SECTION 3.** Only those (subscriber / entity/ persons/ individuals/ households) duly authorized and/or registered with the CATV or Internet Service provider and/or operators shall be allowed to receive any benefit from any services offered and/or operated over CATV or Internet System or Network.

**SECTION 4.** No person shall intercept or receive, or assist in intercepting or receiving any service operated or provided over a CATV or Internet System or Network by tapping, making or causing to be made illegal or unauthorized connection to existing CATV or Cable Internet facilities, drops, feeders and truck lines, or by recording, manufacture, distribution, importation or sale of intercepted or received CATV or internet signals.

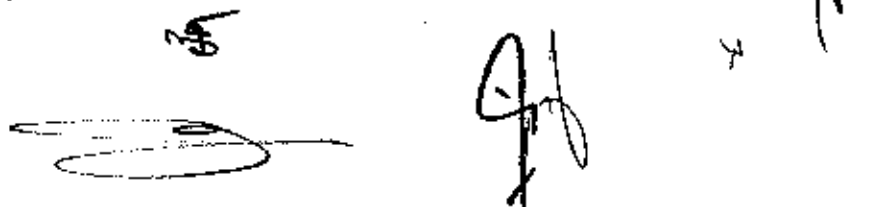
**SECTION 5.** No person shall knowingly use or receive any direct or indirect benefit from any CATV or Cable Internet Service through any of the prohibited acts enumerated in the preceding paragraphs.

**SECTION 6. PENALTIES** – Any person/entity who knowingly and deliberately violates any of the provision of this ordinance or commit any acts mentioned in the preceding sections shall be penalized, to wit;

First Offense – A fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php 1,000.00) and/or imprisonment of not more than thirty (30) days at the discretion of the Court.

Second Offense – A fine of Three Thousand Pesos (Php 3,000.00) and/or imprisonment of not more than three (3) months at the discretion of the Court.

Third and Succeeding Offense – A fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php 5,000.00) and/or imprisonment of not more than five (5) months at the discretion of the Court.



Provided, that if the offense is committed by a corporation, partnership, or other juridical entity duly organized in accordance with law, the chief executive officer, president, general manager, managing partner or such other officer-in-charge of the business operation shall be liable for the commission of the offense penalized under this ordinance, provided, further, that if the offender is an alien, he shall, after service of the sentence prescribed above, be deported without further administrative proceedings.

**SECTION 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE** – If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the ordinance or the provision not otherwise affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

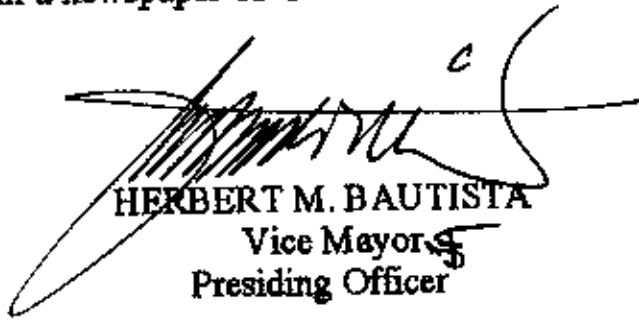
**SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE** – All provision of laws, orders, decrees, including rules and regulations and local legislative measures inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE** – This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of local circulation within Quezon City.

ENACTED: October 11, 2005.

ATTESTED:

  
EUGENIO V. JURILLA  
City Secretary

  
HERBERT M. BAUTISTA  
Vice Mayor &  
Presiding Officer

APPROVED: Nov. 25, 2005

  
FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR.  
City Mayor

**CERTIFICATION**

*This is to certify that this Ordinance which was APPROVED on Second Reading under Suspended Rules on October 11, 2005, was finally PASSED on Third/Final Reading by the City Council on the same date.*

  
EUGENIO V. JURILLA  
City Secretary