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ORDINANCE NO. SP-**1798**S-2007  
(PO2007-59)

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING A MONTHLY INCENTIVE ALLOWANCE OF THREE THOUSAND PESOS (P3,000.00) TO ALL LAWYERS OF THE PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S OFFICE (PAO) IN QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors EDCEL B. LAGMAN, JR., VOLTAIRE GODOFREDO L. LIBAN III, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR., JESUS MANUEL C. SUNTAY, BAYANI V. HIPOL, JOSEPH P. JUICO, WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, JORGE B. BANAL, JR. and JAIME F. BORRES.

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the state to promote social justice and free access to courts and quasi-judicial agencies and provide adequate legal assistance;

WHEREAS, Section 16-E of Republic Act No. 9406, "An Act Reorganizing and Strengthening the Public Attorney's Office (PAO)", emphasizes the grant of a special allowance to Public Attorney's Office officials and lawyers, a verbatim reproduction of the same states, to wit:

"SECTION 16-E. Local Government Support. -- Local government units, subject to their capabilities, are authorized to extend financial and other support in the form of honoraria, free office space, equipment, furniture, stationery, and manpower to the PAO."

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Public Attorney's Office (PAO) is committed to the noble mandate of providing the indigent sector of this city with access to independent and competent counsel, and ensuring that their constitutional rights are protected;