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AN ORDINANCE CREATING AND ADOPTING GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES ON ANTI-SMOKE BELCHING FOR MOTOR VEHICLES IN QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR., WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, JORGE B. BANAL, JR., EDEN "Candy" A. MEDINA, JAIME F. BORRES, EDCEL B. LAGMAN, JR. and DANTE M. DE GUZMAN.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Francisco A. Calalay Jr., Bernadette Herrera-Dy, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Joseph P. Juico, Ricardo T. Belmonte, Jr., Ramon P. Medalla, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Aiko S. Melendez, Franz S. Pumaren, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Janet M. Malaya, Vincent DG. Belmonte, Concepcion S. Malangen and Alexis Grace R. Matias.

WHEREAS, the deterioration of air quality and the increased levels of air pollution brought about by the growing number of motor vehicles are threatening the well being of the City dwellers and the detrimental effects of these pollutants have adverse impacts on the environment and the quality of life of the constituency;

WHEREAS, fuel emissions from buses, jeepneys, cars, utility vehicles and trucks emitting visible smoke are recognized as the largest contributor to urban air pollutions and stands out as the most serious and pressing environmental problem of the City;

WHEREAS, the harmful particulate matters and toxic fumes emitted into the air by these vehicles once inhaled and entered into the respiratory system can bring about a number of symptoms, such as eye and throat irritation, coughing, dizziness, shortness of breathing, chest pains, allergies and respiratory distress, in which long-term exposure to the same can eventually lead to more serious disorders such as bronchitis, sinusitis, chronic pulmonary diseases, high blood pressure, emphysema, lung cancer and heart ailments;

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