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ORDINANCE NO. SP. 2281 , S-2014

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL MALLS LOCATED WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY TO HAVE A CLINIC WITH AT LEAST ONE (1) UNIT OF AMBULANCE AND A MEDICAL TEAM ON STANDBY DURING REGULAR OPERATING HOURS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF.

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WHEREAS, Section 11, Article XIII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people;

WHEREAS, Section 458 (iv) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, empowers the Sangguniang Panlungsod to adopt measures to protect the inhabitants of the city from the harmful effects of man-made or natural disasters and calamities, and to provide relief services and assistance for victims during and in the aftermath of said disasters of thiamities;

WHEREAS, there have been numerous incidents of violence resulting to the immediate death or serious injury of mall patrons which could have been prevented or immediately attended to, if there was an available ambulance with a medical team on standby during regular operating hours;

WHEREAS, senior citizens, who are also frequent in said malls—are susceptible to suffer from heat strokes, cerebrovascular accidents, cardiac arrests, slips or any other hazard or accidents on account of their old age and much slower reflexes;

WHEREAS, the 21-kilometer Marikina West Valley Fault passes through Quezon City, among other towns/cities, and PHIVOLCS (Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology) has already issued directives calling the attention of all owners of buildings and structures along said fault line to prepare for any possible earthquake or major tectonic activity;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Republic Act No. 101211, otherwise known as the Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010, reiterates the policy of the State, among others, to provide maximum care, assistance and services to individuals affected by disaster, implement emergency rehabilitation projects to lessen the impact of disaster and facilitate resumption of normal social and economic activities;

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the City Council to enact measures to protect the safety of the consumers and promote their general welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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



SECTION 1. TITLE. - This Ordinance shall be known as "AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL MALLS LOCATED WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY TO HAVE A CLINIC WITH AT LEAST ONE (1) UNIT OF AMBULANCE AND A MEDICAL TEAM ON STANDBY DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF."

SECTION 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS. - For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following terms are defined as follows:

- a. Medical Team shall at least be composed of the following:
 - One (1) driver paramedic
 - 2. One (1) registered nurse *
 - 3. One (1) trauma staff *
 - 4. One (1) crew *
 - 5. One (1) clerk for documentation

Item Nos. 2, 3 and 4 must have undergone EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) training with proper certification.

- b. Ambulance shall have the following basic equipment/supplies on board:
 - Stretcher with I.V. stand
 - One (1) set Oxygen tank
 - 3. Blood Pressure apparatus
 - 4. Code Blue kit
 - 5. C-collar
 - 6. Long Board
 - 7. Short Board
 - 8. Splints
- c. Hazard a dangerous phenomenon, substance, human activity or condition that may cause loss of limb or life, injury or other health impacts, property damage, loss of livelihood and services, social and economic disruption, or environmental damage.

- d. Clinic shall also mean a first aid station where the medical team would occupy during said regular business hours.
- e. DPOS shall pertain to the Department of Public Order and Safety of the Quezon City Government.
- f. Malls for the purpose of this Ordinance, a large retail complex containing a variety of stores and other business establishments housed in a series of connected or adjacent buildings or in a single large building, with a minimum rentable/useable area of at least five thousand square meters (5,000 sq.m.)

SECTION 3. COVERAGE – All existing malls within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City shall be covered by the provisions of this Ordinance.

Future investors/applicants who intend to construct and operate malls must comply with the requirements of this Ordinance which must be contained in their proposed plan or other documentary compliance prior the issuance of their Business Permit.

SECTION 4. MANDATORY REQUIREMENT. — All malls within the coverage of this Ordinance is hereby directed to designate a clinic or if necessary, construct a clinic with at least one (1) unit of ambulance and assign a Medical Team on standby during their regular operating hours or until there are standby during their regular within the premises of their costumers inside and within the premises of their establishment.

SECTION 5. IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITCHING. — The DPOS (Department of Public Order and Safety), through its Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, is hereby tasked to monitor the effective implementation of this Ordinance. For this purpose, the DPOS shall prepare a report on the progress of the implementation one (1) year after this Ordinance is implemented and submit the same to the Business Permit and Licensing Office (BPLO) for reference.

The Business Permit and Licensing Office (BPLO) shall send a notice to non-complying establishments and shall inform them of the violation of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. MORATORIUM - All malls are hereby given six (6) months moratorium from the date of passage of this Ordinance. The Quezon City Government will provide ample time to comply with the requirements mandated by this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. PENAL CLAUSE - Any establishment which violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall be imposed with a fine not exceeding Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) and the cancellation or revocation of its Business Permit.

If the offender is a corporation, partnership or association or other juridical party, the penalty shall be imposed upon its officer responsible for the violation, without prejudice to the cancellation or revocation of its Business Permit.

SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE — If any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. REPEALING CLAUSE - All previous ordinances, resolutions, local executive orders, rules and regulations, or any part thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby deemed repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

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SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED: March 10, 2014.

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ATTESTED:

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III

APPROVED

HERBERT M. EAUTISTA
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on March 10, 2014 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on March 17, 2014.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III

A City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III