AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING FOR THE INSTALLATION, FIXING
AND MAINTENANCE OF FIRE HYDRANTS IN QUEZON CITY.

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WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the
Philippines declares that the State shall promote the general
welfare or the common good of all the people;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code of 1991 (Republic
Act No. 7160) accords every local government unit power and
authority to promote the general welfare within its territorial
jurisdiction, including the safety of its constituents;

WHEREAS, the Local Government of Quezon City must act
with urgency to protect the lives of the people in case of fire
especially in areas where fire trucks are unable to navigate
due to narrow roads.

WHEREAS, an increasing number of Filipinos die due to
fire each year.
WHEREAS, it is observed that in areas where informal settlers reside and some roads in the city are narrow, thus it becomes impossible for the fire trucks to pass through due to its size, which results to difficulty in putting out fire.

WHEREAS, some of the villages and subdivisions do not have sufficient fire hydrants within their area.

WHEREAS, millions of properties are affected in such cases wherein fire are not expeditiously extinguished.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. TITLE – This Ordinance shall be known as the “FIRE HYDRANT Ordinance”.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE – It is the purpose of this Ordinance to:

a. safeguard the public, ensure quick response in case of fire to the areas affected;

b. lessen damages to properties caused by fire.

SECTION 3. IMPLEMENTING OFFICE – The Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS) is mandated to implement the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. IMPLEMENTATION – The Department of Engineering shall check each public road in Quezon City if the same has a sufficient number of fire hydrants. In case of insufficiency, the Department of Engineering shall provide fire hydrants as necessary. In the event that there is an existing fire hydrant in the area, the said department shall ensure that the fire hydrant is in good working condition.
The President of the Homeowners Association of all villages and subdivisions shall make sure that streets within their area of responsibility have sufficient number of fire hydrants, especially on roads which prevents fire trucks to pass through due to its width. In case of insufficiency of fire hydrants, the Homeowners Association, through their President, shall provide such as necessary. However, if there are existing fire hydrants, they shall ensure that the fire hydrants are in good working condition and shall serve its purpose if needed.

In case the villages and subdivisions fail to comply with above-mentioned paragraph, the Homeowners Association shall be given a first notice ordering that they shall comply with this ordinance. In case, they still fail to comply with the first notice, a final notice shall be served ordering their compliance to this ordinance. Upon failure to comply with the said final notice, the Homeowners Association shall be penalized, applying Section 6 of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. BUDGET – The Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS) shall fund the implementation of this ordinance.

SECTION 6. PENALTY – Any village or subdivision which fails to comply with this ordinance after the second and final warning shall be fined Two Thousand Pesos (Php2,000.00).

SECTION 7. APPLICABILITY – This ordinance shall be applicable within the jurisdiction of Quezon City.

SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE – All ordinances, resolutions, local executive orders, rules and regulations or any part thereof which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, modified or amended.
SECTION 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE – If any of the provisions of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid by a competent court, the other provisions hereof shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE – This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ENACTED: October 20, 2014.

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

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APPROVED: 28 NOV 2014

HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on October 20, 2014 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on October 27, 2014.

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