WHEREAS, there is a continuous decline in the water elevation of Angat Dam, the main source of domestic water supply in Metro Manila;

WHEREAS, the fast-receding water at the Angat Dam will likely be aggravated by the summer heat when experts have warned of the onset of the El Niño phenomenon;
WHEREAS, due to the alarming water level at the Angat Dam, the National Water Resources Board (NWRB) has warned for a possible water supply cut and water rationing in some parts of Metro Manila;

WHEREAS, water is a very important resource; hence, measures should be adopted to promote its conservation, prevent its wastage and avert the looming water crisis;

WHEREAS, mandating restaurants, hotels, inns, canteens, steakhouses, eateries and the like to serve water only upon request of their customers will considerably reduce water wastage on these business establishments by letting their customers consume water only when they wanted to;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the City Council, as the legislative body of the local government unit shall enact ordinances that will promote the public’s health, safety and general welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. Short Title- This Ordinance shall be known as “Anti-Water Wastage Ordinance of 2014.”

SECTION 2. Punishable Act- Restaurants, hotels, inns, canteens, steakhouse, eateries and the like, which are operating within Quezon City, are mandated to serve water only upon request of their customers.
SECTION 3. Implementation- Upon its approval, the City Mayor, with due recommendation from the appropriate local government agency shall issue appropriate rules and regulations to ensure the proper implementation of the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. Penalty- Any business establishment who is found violating this Ordinance shall be meted the following penalties:

First Offense: Fine of One Thousand Pesos (Php1,000.00).

Second Offense: Fine of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (Php2,500.00); and

Third Offense: Fine of Five Thousand Pesos (Php5,000.00) and one (1) month suspension of business license or permit to operate.

SECTION 5. 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and regulations or any part thereof which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, modified or amended.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 6. Separability Clause. If any of the provisions of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid by a competent court, the other provisions hereof not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.
SECTION 7. Effectivity Clause. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED: June 29, 2015.

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

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

APPROVED: 12 OCT 2015

HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on June 29, 2015 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on August 10, 2015.

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