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AN ORDINANCE GRANTING THE "SEAL OF EXCELLENCE" TO COMPLIANT PRIVATE LYING-IN/BIRTHING CLINICS IN QUEZON CITY.

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WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, mandates that Local Government Units to ensure the safety and well-being of the people, especially the expectant mothers and their new born babies. As part of its mandate of ensuring the safety and health of the people, the said Code also authorizes the LGU to exercise supervision and control over local health operations and as such, can issue a "Seal of Excellence" Certificate to private lying in/birthing clinics which have complied with the standards given by the Department of Health;

WHEREAS, ensuring the health and safety of expectant mothers is essential to prevent maternal mortality which is unacceptably high. About 830 women die from pregnancy or childbirth-related complications around the world every day. Roughly, 303,000 women died during and following pregnancy and childbirth. Almost all of these deaths occurred in low resource settings, and most could have been prevented;

WHEREAS, the situation demonstrates that access to quality maternal care services is the City Government's commitment for

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