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QUEZON CITY COUNCIL
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RESOLUTION NO. SP-**3756**, S-2007
(PR2005-210)

RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY URGING THE SUPREME COURT TO EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF INCREASED FILING FEE TO BATTERED WOMEN WHO ARE VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SEEKING PROTECTION ORDER FROM THE COURT SINCE THE REQUIREMENT OF EXORBITANT COURT FEES DEFEATS THE GOOD INTENTION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9262, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LAW ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN (VAWC).

Introduced by Councilor XYRUS L. LANOT.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Antonio E. Inton, Jr., Restituto B. Malañgen, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Bernadette Herrera-Dy, Ramon P. Medalla, Elizabeth A. Delarmente, Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Eric Z. Medina, Jorge B. Banal, Jr., Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay and Bayani V. Hipol.

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9262, otherwise known as the law on Violence Against Women and Children, strengthened the rights of battered women in seeking legal protection and redress for physical and psychological harm inflicted to them;

WHEREAS, it is disturbing to note that the "good intent" of VAWC Law is being defeated since women who are victim of domestic violence have to hurdle not only the emotional trauma and pressures in pursuing their case, but have the additional burden of raising large amount of money to shoulder the payment for court fees and other litigation expenses;

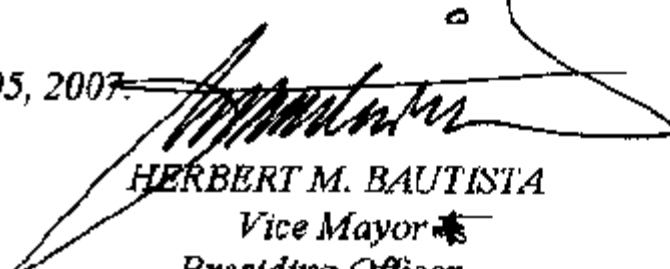
WHEREAS, the increase in court fees is mandated by Republic Act 9227, which effectively increase court fees purportedly to increase the salaries of the members of the judiciary.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby respectfully urge, the Supreme Court to exempt from the payment of increased filing fee to battered women who are victim of domestic violence seeking protection order from the court since the requirement of exorbitant court fees defeats the good intention of Republic Act No. 9262, otherwise known as the Law on Violence Against Women and Children (VAWC).

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that the copy of this Resolution be given to Honorable Reynato Puno, Chief Justice and the 142 Barangays of this City.

ADOPTED: February 05, 2007.



HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:



EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution which was APPROVED on Second Reading on February 05, 2007, was CONFIRMED by the City Council on February 12, 2007.



EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Secretary