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RESOLUTION NO. SP **1656** S-2001

A RESOLUTION URGING HONORABLE FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR., CITY MAYOR, QUEZON CITY, TO CREATE AN AD-HOC OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, TO EVALUATE, REVIEW, RE-DEFINE, AND/OR FORMULATE THE RESPECTIVE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE, MANNING AND/OR STAFFING, FUNCTIONS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES, AND THE LIABILITIES OF THE DIFFERENT REGULATORY, LICENSING, AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC SERVICE DEPARTMENTS AND/OR OFFICES OF THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT.

Introduced by Councilor JULIAN M.L. COSETENG.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Vincent P. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Bernadette R. Cruz-Herrera, Rommel R. Abesamis, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ramon P. Medalla, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Eric Z. Medina, Mary Ann L. Susano, Franz S. Pimaren, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Dante M. De Guzman, Jesus C. Suntay, Alma F. Montilla, Antonio E. Inton, Jr., Janet M. Malaya, Restituto B. Malañgen and Marvin C. Rillo.

WHEREAS, in the recent past, natural and man-made calamities, like the Ozone Disco fire, the Payatas tragedy, and now the Manor Hotel incident, not only put Quezon City on a very bad light occupying the front pages of newspapers and top stories in the electronic media, but also wasted the scarce resources of the City government, and worst, caused the untimely end of so many valuable lives.

WHEREAS, there have been incessant and persistent calls from all quarters, for the City government to "wake-up and shape-up". Investigations, indeed, by different government agencies and instrumentalities have always followed. Suits and counter-suits, left and right, have been filed with several Courts and other fora. Investigation results and the Courts integrity have been impugned, doubted and criticized by many quarters that do not agree with the resolution of the cases before them.

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that the City's licensing, regulatory, and socio economic service departments/offices refuse and/or failed to "wake up and shape-up" despite these calamities, tragedies and criticisms. These investigations miserably failed to define the problem and consequently never came up with a proposed solution. Buck-passing and/or finger pointing never stopped if not worsened.

WHEREAS, it has now become not unfair for people from all walks of life to comment that concerned City officials will not come up with any viable and workable solutions to these problems lest they run out of sources for their corrupt practices. Paranoia and cynicism about the City Official's ability to govern has slowly but surely turned to be the norm. Businesses of all sorts have been operating without licenses, or with license, albeit spurious, secured and issued with the cooperation and support of City government officials. There have been widespread non-compliance with regulatory requirements, notably, safety measures, health and environment. Inadequate and inefficient services have not seen its end;

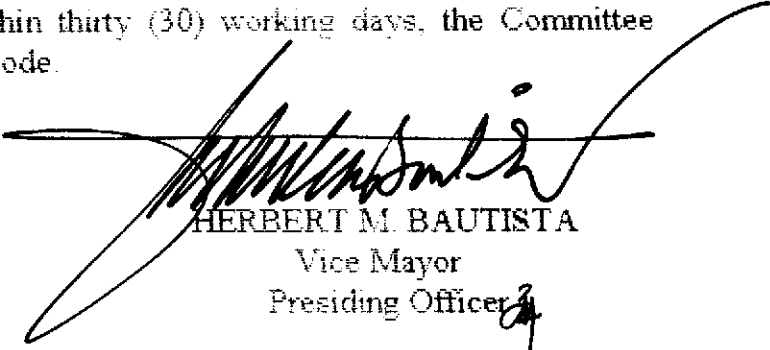
WHEREAS, there is now an imperative and immediate need to thresh out the causes of these calamities and tragedies, define the problem, and come up with a viable and workable solution. In fact, this has long been overdue. Functions, duties and responsibilities and liabilities of each and every department, and each and every official or employee, be clearly defined to put an end to buck-passing and finger pointing.

NOW, THEREFORE,


BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge, Honorable Feliciano R. Belmonte, Jr., City Mayor, Quezon City, to create an Ad-Hoc Oversight Committee to evaluate, review, re-define, and/or formulate the respective organizational structure, manning and/or staffing, functions, duties and responsibilities, and the liabilities of the different regulatory, licensing, and socio-economic service departments and/or offices of the Quezon City government.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that within thirty (30) working days, the Committee should come up with a City Government Code.

ADOPTED October 9, 2001.



HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution which was APPROVED on Second Reading on October 9, 2001, was CONFIRMED by the City Council on October 16, 2001.


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary

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