



Republic of the Philippines
CITY COUNCIL
Quezon City
15th City Council

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 2182 , S-2003

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SENATE BILL NO. 552, ENTITLED:
"AN ACT REQUIRING THAT ALL LIQUOR BOTTLES CARRY A
WARNING ON THE BOTTLE ITSELF OR ON THE LABEL THAT
ALCOHOL DURING PREGNANCY IS HAZARDOUS TO THE LIFE
AND HEALTH OF THE UNBORN CHILD," AUTHORED BY
SENATOR VICENTE C. SOTTO III.

Introduced by Councilors BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY,
VOLTAIRE GODOFREDO L. LIBAN III, RAMON
P. MEDALLA, ERIC Z. MEDINA, MARY ANN L.
SUSANO, JORGE L. BANAL, FRANZ S.
PUMAREN, WENCEROM BENEDICT C.
LAGUMBAY, ALMA F. MONTILLA, ANTONIO E.
INTON, JR. and JANET M. MALAYA.

WHEREAS, the Constitution provides that the State shall protect the
life of the unborn from conception;

WHEREAS, it is now established by studies and researches that
drinking alcohol during pregnancy causes serious physical and mental
conditions in the fetus;

WHEREAS, among the ravages of alcohol on the unborn child are: (a)
head and face deformities, such as small skull, distorted and flattened face,
drooping eyelids and a large space between the lip and the nose, (b) major
organ system malfunctions resulting in heart defects, ear infections, hearing
loss, poor eyesight, bad teeth, (c) central-nervous-system dysfunctions,
causing mental retardation and hyperactivity that is not easily controlled by
drugs and, (d) arrested growth, both before and after birth;

WHEREAS, the result on the infant is now known as FETAL
ALCOHOL SYNDROME (FAS), unlike drugs such as barbiturates or
opiates, alcohol can attack virtually any of the body's cells;

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WHEREAS, the cost of the additional warning such as is found in cigarettes is relatively small compared to the danger to Filipino children;

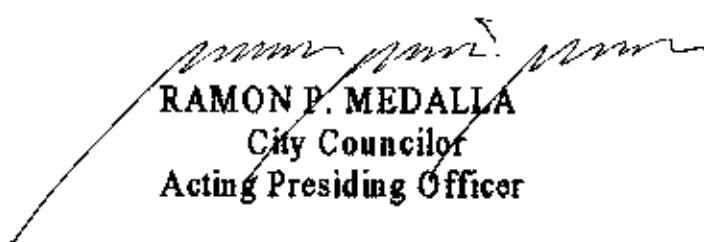
WHEREAS, there is a need to extensively educate the people to instill public awareness of the need that drinking exacts toll on unborn children and infants.

NOW, THEREFORE,

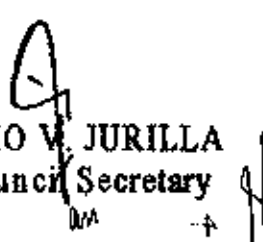
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN SESSION ASSEMBLED, to support, as it does hereby support, Senate Bill No. 552, entitled: "An act requiring that all liquor bottles carry a warning on the bottle itself or on the label that alcohol during pregnancy is hazardous to the life and health of the unborn child," authored by Senator Vicente C. Sotto III.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to furnish Senator Vicente C. Sotto III, the Senate President, and the Senate Majority Floor Leader, with copies of this Resolution.

ADOPTED: September 2, 2003.

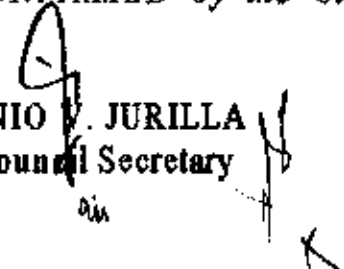

RAMON P. MEDALLA
City Councilor
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution which was APPROVED on Second Reading on September 2, 2003, was CONFIRMED by the City Council on September 16, 2003.


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary