39th Regular Session

ORDINANCE NO. SP-389, S-96

AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE BARANGAY CITIZENS' COUNCIL FOR HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION IN ALL BARANGAYS IN QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors VICTOR V. FERRER, JR., GODOFREDO T. LIBAN II, WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, BAYANI V. HIPOL, MOISES S. SAMSON, JOSEPH PETER S. SISON, NANETTE CASTELO-DAZA, GUILLERMO C. ALTUNA, ALFREDO A. FRANCISCO (Fred Montilla) and RAMON G. MATHAY.


WHEREAS, the Barangay is the local unit most familiar to the community members and most accessible to them, it being located easily within their vicinity;

WHEREAS, it is a common knowledge that barangay folks, especially those from the lower economic status, even when oppressed, are usually reluctant to seek judicial assistance and would rather leave their plight to fate, due to financial constraints and undue legal impediment;

WHEREAS, with the prevailing human rights violations and the increasing crime rates anywhere in the country, it is now imperative that community members get their acts together to strengthen citizens' vigilance over unnecessary injustices due to ignorance;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Human Rights tasked to promote and protect human rights, in pursuit of its constitutional mandate, has sadly admitted that it is remiss in its function due to lack of manpower and logistics;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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