AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN UNDERGROUND SECONDARY STORAGE TANK OR A DOUBLE-WALLED TANK AS A CONDITION PRECEDENT FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS PERMIT AND OTHER REGULATORY PERMITS TO ANY GASOLINE STATION WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY IN THE STORAGE OF GASOLINE, DIESEL FUEL AND OTHER OIL PRODUCTS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Introduced by Councilor MOISES S. SAMSON.

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Constitution, explicitly provides:

"The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill consciousness among them."

WHEREAS, Section 2 (a), Chapter I, Book I of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as Local Government Code of 1991, pronounces:

"It is hereby declared the policy of the State that the territorial and political subdivisions of the State shall enjoy genuine and meaningful local autonomy to enable them to attain their fullest development as self-reliant communities and make them more effective partners in the attainment of national goals. Toward this end, the State shall provide for a more responsive and accountable local government structure instituted through a system of decentralization whereby local government units shall be given more powers, authority, responsibilities and resources. The process of decentralization shall proceed from the national government to the local government units."

WHEREAS, Section 5, Chapter I, Book I of the same code decrees:

"Section 5. Rules and Interpretation. - In the interpretation of the provisions of this code, the following rules shall apply: