AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE ENTIRE QUEZON CITY IN A STATE OF CALAMITY AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE ISMAEL A. MATHAY, JR., TO UTILIZE EMERGENCY FUNDS AND ADOPT EMERGENCY MEASURES INCLUDING PROVISION FOR FINANCIAL OR MATERIAL ASSISTANCE TO CALAMITY VICTIMS.

Introduced by Councilors CONNIE S. ANGELES, ANTONIO L. SIOSON, GODOFREDO T. LIBAN II and ALBERTO M. GALARPE.


WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8185 entitled, "An act amending section 324 (d) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 provided:

"(d) Five percent (5%) of the estimated revenue from regular sources shall be set aside as annual lump sum appropriations for relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and other works or services in connection with calamities which may occur during the budget years; Provided, however, that such fund shall be used only in the area, or a portion thereto, of the local government unit or other areas affected by a disaster or calamity, as determined and declared by the local sanggunian concerned."

WHEREAS, Section 3(a) of the Rules and Regulations Implementing R.A. 8185, defines calamity as a "state of extreme distress or misfortune produced by some adverse circumstances or events or any great misfortune or cause or loss or misery caused by natural forces such as earthquakes, typhoons, floods, hurricanes, epidemics or other disaster causing widespread loss of and/or extreme damage to human lives, livestocks, crops and property.";