

## Republic of the Philippines QUEZON CITY COUNCIL Quezon City 16th City Council

31st Regular Session

RESOLUTION NO. SP-2990, s-2005

(PR2005-87)

A RESOLUTION URGING THE OPTICAL MEDIA BOARD TO ADDRESS THE GROWING PROBLEM OF VIDEO AND AUDIO PIRACY THAT HAS BEEN RAMPANT AND UNCHECKED IN QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors RESTITUTO B. MALAÑGEN, ERIC Z. MEDINA, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR., RAMON P. MEDALLA, JORGE B. BANAL, JR., VOLTAIRE GODOFREDO L. LIBAN III, JOSEPH P. JUICO, FRANCISCO A. CALALAY and JANET M. MALAYA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernadette Herrera-Dy, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Julian M.L. Coseteng and Bayani V. Hipol.

WHEREAS, the proliferation and unregulated circulation of videograms including, among others, video tapes, discs, cassettes or any technical improvement or variation thereof, have greatly prejudiced the operations of movie houses and theatres and have caused a sharp decline in theatrical attendance by at least forty percent (40%) and a tremendous drop in the collection of sales, contractor's specific, amusement and other taxes thereby resulting in substantial losses annually in government revenues;

WHEREAS, the unregulated activities of videogram establishments have also affected the viability of the movie industry and occasioned industry-wide displacement and unemployment due to shutdown of numerous movie houses and theatres;

WHEREAS, in order to ensure national economy recovery, it is imperative for the government to create an environment conducive to the growth and development of all legitimate business industries, including the movie industry,

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WHEREAS, proper taxation of the activities of videogram establishments will not only alleviate the dire financial condition of the movie industry upon which more than 75,000 families and 50,000 workers depend on their livelihood, but will also provide an additional source of revenue for the government, and at the same time rationalize the heretofore uncontrolled distribution of videograms;

WHEREAS, the rempent and unregulated showing of obscene videogram features constitutes a clear and present danger to the moral and spiritual well-being of the youth, and impairs the mandate of the Constitution for the state to support the hearing of the youth for civic efficiency and the development of moral character and promote their physical, intellectual and social well-being:

## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge, that the Optical Media Board, in coordination with the City government of Quezon City to immediately address the growing problem of video and audio piracy in the City.

ADOPTED: July 12, 2005

BERT M. BAUTISTA

Vice Mayor A Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

EUGENIO V JURILLA City Council Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution which was APPROVED on Second Reading on July 12, 2005, was CONFIRMED by the City Council on July 19, 2005.

EUGENIO VI JURILLA City Council Secretary