ORDINANCE NO. 8173

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE INSTALLATION OF SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEMS IN ALL SHOPPING MALLS/DEPARTMENT STORES, CONVENIENCE STORES, GASOLINE STATIONS, PAWNSHOPS, MONEY CHANGERS AND BANKS/FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, WITH MINIMUM BUSINESS CAPITAL OF PHP 500,000.00, OPERATING WITHIN THE CITY OF MANILA, TO BE SET UP AT STRATEGIC LOCATIONS WITHIN THEIR ESTABLISHMENTS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Manila, in session, assembled, THAT:

- SECTION 1. Shopping malls/department stores, convenience stores, gasoline stations, pawnshops, money changers and banks/financial institutions owners with business operations at the City of Manila and with minimum business capital of PhP 500,000.00, shall hereby be required to install security camera systems or closed circuit television (CCTV) within their respective establishments, to be set up at strategic locations, preferably the ingresses and egresses of the building and the cash register areas.
- SEC. 2. The mandatory installation of security camera systems shall serve as supplemental means of ensuring the safety of the consumers/clients and of facilitating the determination or identification of possible crime culprits who commence or culminate their criminal activity in these establishments.
- **SEC. 3.** Visual Records produced through the CCTV shall be under the safekeeping of the management of the business concerned, and shall be so until police authorities and/or the City Government requests for the same for investigation purposes.
- **SEC. 4.** The Office of the Mayor, through the Business Promotion and Development Office, shall warrant the implementation of this Ordinance, and shall carry out the appropriate penalties imposed in Section 7, hereof. In order to enforce compliance, stores and banks shall be subject to periodic inspection of their CCTVs.
- **SEC. 5.** The business establishments covered in this Ordinance shall ensure that the security camera systems can produce recognizable, retrievable, enlargeable, and reproducible photographic images of persons and that they be of sufficient clarity for identification purposes. Tapes of recorded images must be maintained for 15 days and business owners are required to be responsible for ensuring the accuracy of the time, keeping in conjunction with what has been recorded.
- **SEC. 6.** The business establishments must post signages in conspicuous areas stating that the location is under video monitoring. Strategic locations stated in Section 1, hereof, shall at all times exclude comfort rooms, fitting rooms and any other areas within the establishment where malicious motives and intent other than security can be perpetrated.
- **SEC. 7. PENALTY CLAUSE.** Non-compliance with any provision of this Ordinance shall make the management of the business establishment liable for violation of the same, subject to the following penalties:

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a. First Offense - A fine of Three Thousand Pesos (PhP 3,000.00).

 b. Second Offense – A fine of Five Thousand Pesos (PhP 5,000.00), and suspension of the Business Permit for fifteen (15) days.

 Third Offense – A fine of Five Thousand Pesos (PhP 5,000.00), and revocation of business license.

SEC. 8. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. - Establishments concerned are given sixty (60) days, to commence immediately upon approval of this Ordinance, to comply with the provisions hereof.

Enacted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session held today, October 14, 2008.

Approved by His Honor, the Mayor, on NOVEMBET 27 2008

APPROVED:

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