AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE SOLICITATION, COLLECTION AND ACCEPTANCE OF MISCELLANEOUS FEES, SCHOOL FEES, CONTRIBUTIONS OR DONATIONS FROM PARENTS AND/OR SCHOOLCHILDREN IN MANILA'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

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

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the Constitutional mandate, it is hereby declared a policy of the city government of Manila to provide completely free quality elementary and high school education to all school-age children and youth.

SEC. 2. Pursuant to the above policy, it shall be unlawful for any person, public official, organization or association to solicit, collect and accept miscellaneous fees, school fees, contributions or donations, be it in cash or in kind, from parents and/or schoolchild-ren in Manila's public schools, except contributions or donations to Parents and Teachers Community Associations duly approved by their Board of Directors and ratified by the General Membership, as well as, those authorized under existing laws.

SEC. 3. This prohibition includes all solicitations and collections that serve as a condition precedent to enrollment and/or ranking and treatment of students.

SEC. 4. Violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$500.00 but not more than \$5,000.00 or imprisonment of six (6) months, or both, such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court. In case the violation is committed by a juridical person, the members of the Board of Directors or the Board of Trustees, the President and the Treasurer shall be held liable therefor.

SEC. 5. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

Enacted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session today, September 29, 1992.

Approved by His Honor, the Mayor on November 4, 1992.

APPROVED:

AZFREND S. LIM Mayor City of Manila

Vice Mayor and Presiding Officer City Council, Manila

ATTESTED:

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