ORDINANCE NO. 7791

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING SEXUAL RELATIONS WITH, AND SOLICITATION OR PROCUREMENT OF, PROSTITUTES AND OTHER RELATED ACTS, PROVIDING THE PENALTIES THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. DECLARATION OF POLICY. - It is hereby declared the policy of the City of Manila that prostitution is a social menace that destroys the moral integrity of a person and which causes irreparable damage to the image of both the City and the Filipino nation and must be stopped at all cost.

SEC. 2. PROHIBITED ACTS. - Pursuant to the above declared policy, it shall be unlawful for any person:

a) to have sexual relations with a prostitute for some consideration including payment but not limited to sums of money;

b) to solicit, procure, pimp or pander;

c) to act as a middle person or go-between for a third person and a prostitute in any place in the City of Manila for purposes of prostitution.

SEC. 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. - as used in this Ordinance, the following words shall have their corresponding meanings, to wit:

a) PROSTITUTE. - is a person who habitually engages in sexual relations with another person for profit, gain or fee.

b) PROSTITUTION. - refers to the act of habitually engaging in sexual relations with persons for certain considerations including payment but not limited to sums of money.

c) SOLICITOR, PROCURER, PANDER OR PIMP. is a person who secures or engages the services of a prostitute for sexual relations or who otherwise acts as middle person or go-between for a third person and a prostitute for purposes of facilitating prostitution whether or not sexual relation is actually performed or consumated.

d) SEXUAL RELATION. - any act committed for sexual gratification to include sexual intercourse, touching, manipulation, acts of lasciviousness and other similar conduct.

SEC. 4. PENAL CLAUSE. - Violation of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of FIVE THOUSAND (P5,000.00) PESOS or imprisonment of one (1) year, or both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court, Provided that:

a) If the violator is a foreigner, he/she shall, in addition to penalties prescribed herein, be subject to deportation as may be determined by the proper authorities.

b) In case the violator is between the ages of 10 to 17 years, he/she shall pay a fine of not more than P2,500.00 or suffer imprisonment of not more than six (6) months, or both such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.

SEC. 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. - Any Ordinance or portions thereof, which are inconsistent or contrary to this Ordinance or portions hereof are hereby deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. -- If for any reason any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provision that are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.
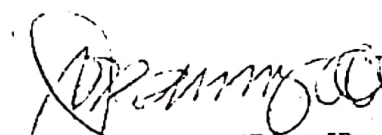
SEC. 7. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. - This Ordinance shall take effect on and after the twentieth day following its publication.

Enacted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session today, June 3, 1993.

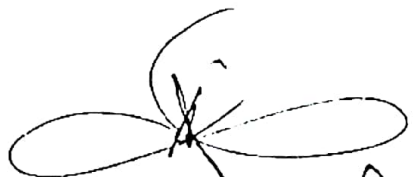Approved by His Honor, the Mayor on *June 1, 1993*

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