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CITY ORDINANCE NO. 186  
Series of 1997

AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING SPECIAL PLACES FOR THE RETAIL SALE OF LEGAL FIRECRACKERS AND PYROTECHNICS, PROHIBITING RETAIL SALE OUTSIDE SAID AREAS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bacolod, that:

Section 1 - Name - This Ordinance shall be known as:


"AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING SPECIAL PLACES FOR THE RETAIL SALE OF LEGAL FIRECRACKERS AND PYROTECHNICS, PROHIBITING RETAIL SALE OUTSIDE SAID AREAS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF."

Section 2 - Definition of Terms. The following shall be known as follows:

- a) Firecracker - a firework made of small cylinder charged with gunpowder, containing an explosive and fuse; discharged to make a noise.
- b) Pyrotechnics - "Pyr means fire" - the art of making or using and displaying fireworks.
- c) Special Places - are areas designated by the City Mayor exclusively for the sale and purchase of legal firecrackers and pyrotechnics.
- d) Retail Sales - all sales less than P2,000.00 per transaction shall be considered retail.

Section 3 - Designating Special Places. There shall be prescribed, designated, and approved by the City Mayor areas or special places in the City of Bacolod for the sale and purchase of legal firecrackers and pyrotechnics.

Section 4 - Guidelines in designated Special Places. The following shall be observed in the sale and purchase of legal firecrackers and pyrotechnics within the designated Special Places:



1. All sales of Firecrackers/Pyrotechnics shall be done in a prescribed place where only buyers and sellers meet solely for the purpose of buying and selling Firecrackers/Pyrotechnics. Such prescribed place shall be approved by the City Mayor.
2. Smoking is prohibited within 50 feet radius from the place where Firecrackers/Pyrotechnics are being stockfiled/sold.
3. Stallholders are prohibited from cooking within the premises while vending Firecrackers/Pyrotechnics.
4. All displayed Firecrackers/Pyrotechnics shall be wrapped in plastic bag leaving no wick exposed.
5. All stocks of Firecrackers/Pyrotechnics shall be kept in a plastic container leaving only a few for display purposes.
6. There shall be a distance of no less than 2 meters between sellers.
7. Testing of Firecrackers/Pyrotechnics is not allowed.
8. Only battery/electric operated lamps are allowed to light the area.
9. All sales of Firecrackers/Pyrotechnics shall only be from December 1 until December 31.

**Section 5 - Retail Sale outside of Special Places.**

The retail sale purchase of legal firecrackers and pyrotechnics in areas outside the designated Special Places shall be prohibited.

**Section 6 - Penalties.** Violation of any of the provisions of Section 4 hereof shall subject the offender to:

1. **First Offense** - Administrative fine of P1,000.00 plus confiscation.
2. **Second Offense** - Administrative Fine of P1,000.00 and imprisonment of not more than 15 days or fine of P1,000.00 or both at discretion of the court, plus loss of privilege to operate at the prescribed place of sale of Firecrackers/Pyrotechnics.

Section 7 - Effectivity Clause - This ordinance shall take effect FIFTEEN (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Bacolod.

CARRIED BY THE VOTE OF:

Affirmative:

Councilors : Renecito S. Novero, Lorendo K. Dilag, Rolando V. Villamor, Juanito S. Amihan, Jr., Napoleon A. Cordova, Constancio G. Legaspi, Archie S. Baribar, Luzviminda S. Valdez, Juan Ramon R. Guanzon.

Negative : N o n e .

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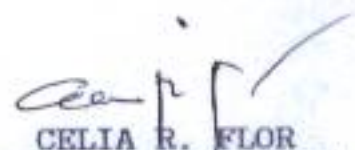
Official Travel : Councilor Joaquin L. Torre.

Absent : N o n e .

Passed : October 9, 1997 (Regular Session)


Comments : P a s s e d .  
Councilors Ricardo L. Tan, Pepito T. Malapitan and Christine Angelie V. Matus were out of the Session Hall when this ordinance was passed.

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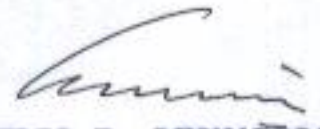


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Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

  
ATTY. NILO T. ALEJANDRINO  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

APPROVED: Nov. 27, 1997

  
EVELIO R. LEONARDIA  
City Mayor

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