EXPLANATORY NOTE

Terrorism has been defined by Webster as the policy of using acts inspiring terror as a method of ruling or of conducting political opposition. The objective is to compel the people to follow a definite rule of conduct - to live in fear. The recent spates of bombings within the country and the numerous bogus bomb threats have disrupted the natural course of the lives of the people. People are now afraid to frequent malls, houses of worship and other public places for fear of being hapless victims of these senseless acts of violence.

With the advent of mobile phones and short message sending (text messaging), these unscrupulous groups have found a new medium of perpetuating their unconscionable acts of terrorism. It is hereby recommended that the Sangguniang Bayan of Bacoor enact the Ordinance Regulating the Sale, Exchange, Trade or Barter of Prepaid SIM Cards so that it may serve as a tool to curb and prosecute such groups and to dissuade pranksters feasting on the uncertainty of the times from the satisfying their fatuous desires.
OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

ORDINANCE NO. 13-S-2002

Sponsored by: Hon. Hubert V. Gervacio
Chairman, Committee on Ordinances & Legal Matters

ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SALE, EXCHANGE, TRADE OR BARTER OF PREPAID SUBSCRIBER'S IDENTIFICATION MODULE (SIM) CARDS.

SECTION 1. DEFINITION

A. VENDORS – persons, both natural and judicial, engaged in the selling, exchanging, trading or bartering of prepaid SIM cards.

B. VENDEES – persons, both natural and judicial, to whom the SIM card is sold, exchanged, traded or bartered.

C. VALID IDENTIFICATION CARD – that which establishes or demonstrates the identity of the vendee, such as, but not limited to passports, drivers license, Professional Regulatory Commission Card, students ID card, SSS and GSIS.

SECTION 2.

It shall be unlawful for any vendor to sell, exchange, trade or barter prepaid SIM cards without requiring the vendee to present a valid identification card and for the former to record the personal circumstances (name and address) of the vendee together with the serial number of the SIM and phone number of the card purchased.

SECTION 3. PENALTY

All persons or establishments found violating Section 2 hereof shall be held liable for the following:

a. for the first offense – a fine of P1,000.00
b. for the second offense – a fine of P2,500.00 e.
c. for the third offense - revocation of the business permit.

In case the violator is an establishment, the owner, president and/or general manager of the same shall be held liable.

SECTION 4. REPEALING CLAUSE

All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby deemed repealed.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE

This ordinance shall take effect 15 days after publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Province of Cavite.

Enacted this 19th day of November, 2002 in Bacoor, Cavite.
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