AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE DELINEATION OF FIRECRACKERS AND PYROTECHNIC ZONES AND IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES IN THE MUNICIPALITY

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7183 provides for the regulation and control of the manufacture, sale, distribution and use of firecrackers and other pyrotechnic devices consistent with, and in furtherance of, public safety, order and national security, as well as the enhancement of the cultural traditions;

WHEREAS, the Department of Interior and Local Government issued Memorandum Circular No. 2002-188 providing for the strict implementation of RA 7183;

WHEREAS, the Regional Management Coordination Committee CALABARZON (RMCC R-IVA) in coordination and collaboration with the various PMCCs, MMCCs and the 2nd ID PA, fully supports the implementation of the said directive;

WHEREAS, all Local Chief Executives and their respective Sangguniang Bayan, under the said Memorandum Circular, are explicitly enjoined to establish their respective Firecracker and Pyrotechnic Zones through the issuance of an Executive Order or Ordinance;

WHEREAS, in pursuit of the mandate provided by RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, to maintain peace and order and to preserve the comfort and convenience of their inhabitants, Local Government Units are committed to ensure the peaceful and orderly celebration of the yuletide season vis-à-vis the threat of terrorism by providing working mechanism and guidelines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BACOOR, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THAT:

SECTION 1. Delineation of Firecrackers and Pyrotechnic Zones

Firecracker and pyrotechnics shall only be lit on the following designated zones:

A. Open Spaces in the respective seventy three (73) Barangays of the Municipality of Bacoor, Cavite.
B. Open spaces in subdivisions and villages within the territorial jurisdiction of the Municipality of Bacoor, Cavite.
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SECTION 2. Prohibitions and Limitations.
A. Prohibition of the use of dangerous firecrackers and pyrotechnics such as “pla-pla”, “baby dynamite”, “judas belt”, “saw”, “super lolo” and the like.
B. Prohibition of the use of firecrackers and pyrotechnics if under the influence of alcohol or intoxicated with similar beverage or drugs.
C. The time of lighting of firecrackers and pyrotechnics shall be limited from 11:30 pm of every December 31, 2003 up until 12:30 am of every January 1, 2004 and every ensuing years thereafter.
D. Minors with ages below 15 years of age are prohibited from handling firecrackers and pyrotechnics.

SECTION 3. PENALTY

Any persons who violate any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be punished in accordance with the following to wit:

1st Offense – Fine in the amount of FIVE HUNDRED PESOS (P500.00)
2nd Offense – Fine in the amount of ONE THOUSAND PESOS (P1,000.00) plus four (4) hours of Community Service.
3rd Offense – Fine in the amount of TWO THOUSAND PESOS (P2,000.00) plus eight (8) hours of Community Service.

SECTION 4 All municipal ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after complying with all the formalities set by law.

ENACTED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Bacoor, Province of Cavite, this 21st day of January 2003

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