WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to protect and preserve and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful environment;

WHEREAS, it has been observed that there are still individuals who indiscriminately dump, throw and litter their garbage, filth and other kinds of solid wastes in public places, canals, rivers, drainage and other waste outlets;

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of all constituents of Metro Manila to keep and maintain an orderly, clean and healthy environment;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) Resolution No. 02, S-2014, the Local Government Units of Metropolitan Manila are urged to deputize Environmental Officers in their respective areas of jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, in pursuance to Chapter I, Section 3 sub paragraph (i) of Republic Act No. 7160, the Local Government Units shall share with the National Government the responsibility in the management and maintenance of ecological balance within their territorial jurisdiction, subject to the provisions of the Local Government Code and National Policies;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9003, known as the “Ecological Solid Waste Management Act”, provides that the Local Government Unit shall be primarily responsible for the implementation of this Act;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to regulate the indiscriminate dumping/littering of garbage, filth and other kinds of solid wastes in various water outlets to ensure a clean, orderly and safe environment in the City of Mandaluyong;

WHEREAS, the City acknowledges its ecological responsibility but such realization must be shared by its constituents, who have a stake in the improvement of ecological life, thus, encourages them to take an active participation in all its programs in the spirit of volunteerism.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod in session assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as “An Ordinance Providing for the Deputization of Environmental Enforcers within the City of Mandaluyong”;

SECTION 2. SCOPE. This Ordinance will tackle material provisions under Republic Act 9003 known as “Ecological Solid Waste Management Act” which empowers the Local Government Units in the enforcement of the said law within the areas of its jurisdiction to ensure the protection of public health and environment. As such, it is, likewise, in consonance with all laws of the state and Ordinances pertaining to solid waste management and its implementing and deputization mechanisms.
SECTION 3. DEPUTIZATION:

a. CITY LEVEL. The City Mayor may deputize/appoint environmental enforcers from the existing personnel of the City Government as he may deem it necessary;

b. BARANGAY LEVEL. Those who are endorsed by City Environmental Management Department (CEMD) from the list submitted by the Barangay Chairmen belonging in their jurisdiction may, likewise, be deputized by the City Mayor.

SECTION 4. QUALIFICATIONS OF ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICERS (EO). An EO must possess the following qualifications in order to become one:

1. Male or Female preferably at least 25 to 50 years of age;
2. Physically fit and mentally stable;
3. With good moral character;
4. No pending administrative or criminal case;
5. Recommended by the Barangay Chairman where he/she resides and endorsed by the CEMD Chief for the Mayor's deputization;
6. Existing City Hall personnel as may be appointed by the City Mayor.

SECTION 5. REQUIREMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICERS (EO) AND PROCEDURE BEFORE APPOINTMENT AS EO. The prospective EO must undergo and pass the following:

1. Completion of Orientation Training to be conducted by the CEMD;
2. Pass the Evaluation Exam;

Thereafter, once the above have been completed:

1. Deputization Order and Identification Card shall be prepared which shall be forwarded to the Office of the Mayor and the Office of the CEMD for signature;
2. Copy of the approved Deputization Order and ID shall be given to the deputized EO together with the issuance of Environmental Violation Receipt (EVR);
3. Once duly deputized, the following materials shall be issued to him/her:
   a. Proper Uniform
   b. Mission Order
   c. Whistle
   d. 2 pcs. Pen
   e. Mobile phone/radio (optional)
   f. Identification Card
   g. EVR Ticket
   h. Tickler Notebook
   i. Camera
SECTION 6. FUNCTIONS OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER. An Environmental Officer shall adhere to the mandates of environmental national laws, its rules and regulations, and implement and enforce all City Ordinances pertaining to environmental management and orderliness, specifically the provisions of Ordinance No. 572, S-2014, entitled: "Omnibus Ordinance Prescribing Guidelines and Procedures for a Unified Approach on Solid Waste Management in Mandaluyong City".

SECTION 7. REMUNERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER. Generally, the services of the environmental officer is voluntary except those City Hall personnel appointed as EO by the City Mayor.

7.A. Fines paid by violators of Ordinance No. 572, S-2014, who availed of the No Contest Provision shall be equally shared by the City Government and the Barangay where the apprehension was made to be used for the meal and other allowances of the Environmental Officers of the said Barangay and the share of the City Government shall inure to the General Fund.

The City Treasurer is hereby directed to remit to the Barangay Treasurers on or before the 5th day of the month the shares of the Barangay in the fines collected in pursuance of this Ordinance.

SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. Should any section or provision of this Ordinance be declared by the Courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION 9. REPEALING CLAUSE. All Ordinances, Resolutions and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its official publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

ENACTED on this 24th day of September, 2015 in the City of Mandaluyong.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE WAS ENACTED AND APPROVED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF MANDALUYONG IN A SPECIAL SESSION HELD ON THE DATE AND PLACE FIRST ABOVE GIVEN.

MA. TERESA S. MIRANDA
Acting Sanggunian Secretary

PRESIDED BY:

EDWARD G. BARTOLOME
Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

BENJAMIN DC. ABALOS, JR.
City Mayor

Date: OCT 01 2015