

Belmonte calls for peaceful QC polls

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QUEZON City Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte on Monday appealed for a peaceful and honest election in the city as the election period formally kicked off last Sunday.

As one of three mayoral candidates, Belmonte called on her fellow candidates to observe a non-violent election.

“I am hoping for a peaceful election because an election is just a political exercise. As a candidate, no matter who your opponents are, you should respect the wishes of your people,” she said.

The vice mayor also lamented the killings of Ako Bicol Party-list Rep. Rodel Batocabe, who was running for mayor in the mid-term polls this May, and Bukidnon Mayor Joelito Talaid, in recent weeks.

“We hope Quezon City will not be that violent,” she said.