

DILG lauds QC's road clearing initiative



■ Quezon City Mayor Joy Belmonte and Local Government Undersecretary Bernardo Florece Jr.

A RANKING official of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) lauded city government's achievements on the first week of the 60-day period given to local government units to clear the roads and sidewalks in Metro Manila.

Local Government Undersecretary Bernardo Florece Jr. cited the clearing operations made by the city government even before President Rodrigo Duterte's State of the Nation Address adding that local government units should prioritize clearing government structures that are obstructing the sidewalks.

"Silently, Quezon City has been doing its work even before the SONA," Florece said.

Mayor Joy Belmonte instruct-

ed the Department of Public Order and Safety, Environmental Protection and Waste Management Department, and the Market Development and Administration Department to conduct their clearing and cleaning operations in their respective areas since the start of her administration.

Throughout the review, Assistant City Administrator for Operations Alberto Kimpo presented the city's initial assessment and identified 22 areas of concern.

During the past week, Mayor Joy Belmonte has been busy conducting dialogues with barangay officials including market and sidewalk vendors who are going to be directly affected by the clearing operations.