

## Republic of the Philippines QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City
22<sup>nd</sup> City Council

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22<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session

RESOLUTION NO. SP- 9174, S-2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT REPRESENTED BY THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO ENTER AND SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE OF THE PHILIPPINES (IPOPHL) FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY OFFICE AT THE QUEZON CITY UNIVERSITY (QCU).

Introduced by Councilor ALY MEDALLA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Joseph P. Juico, Nikki V. Crisologo, Charm M. Ferrer, Fernando "Mikey" F. Belmonte, Candy A. Medina, Dave C. Valmocina, Tatay Rannie Z. Ludovica, Godofredo T. Liban II, Kate Galang-Coseteng, Geleen "Dok G" G. Lumbad, Albert Alvin "Chuckie" L. Antonio III, Don S. De Leon, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Edgar "Egay" G. Yap, Imee A. Rillo, Raquel S. Malañgen, Irene R. Belmonte, Nanette Castelo-Daza, Marra C. Suntay, Joseph Joe Visaya, Alfred Vargas, MPA, Ram V. Medalla, Shaira "Shay" L. Liban, Aiko S. Melendez, Mutya Castelo, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Kristine Alexia R. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Vito Sotto Generoso, Victor "Vic" Bernardo and Alfredo "Freddy" Roxas.

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8293 established the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL) with the mission to commit to deliver high quality, fast, reliable, effective and efficient services to promote innovation and encourage the creation, utilization, protection of and respect for intellectual property;

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WHEREAS, one of the flagship initiatives of IPOPHL is the establishment of a network of Innovation and Technology Support Offices (ITSOs) in strategic areas and institutions in the country with high potential for patent activity, usage of patent information and commercialization of innovation in order to demystify and democratize the patent system and support Filipino technological innovations;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City University recognizes that operating an ITSO in its premises will provide a ready pool of science and technical experts with competencies to conduct patent research and patent drafting, among other essential competencies and services, as well as assist in patent prosecution, and benefit from the IP capacity-building interventions of IPOPHL, which will ultimately result in increased IP creation, protection and commercialization in the local community;

WHEREAS, through the Memorandum of Agreement, both parties agree to the following objectives: (1) strengthen the institutional capacity of host institutions to conduct patent search, patent drafting, and assistance in patent prosecution; (2) increase accessibility by host institution to patent information; (3) increase innovative and inventive outputs manifested by increased patent filing by or through the host institutions;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the City Council to grant authority to the City Mayor before signing the Memorandum of Agreement for and in behalf of the Quezon City Government;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 455 (b)(1)(vi) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the City Mayor shall represent the City in all its business transactions and sign in its behalf all bonds, contracts and obligations and such other documents upon the authority of the Sangguniang Panlungsod or pursuant to law or ordinance.



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## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to authorize, as it does hereby authorize, the Quezon City Government represented by the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, to enter and sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL) for the establishment of an innovation and technology office at the Quezon City University (QCU).

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of the subject Memorandum of Agreement be made an integral part of this Resolution.

ADOPTED: February 13, 2023.

BERNARD R. HERRERA

City Councilor
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III City Government Dept. Head III

## **CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on February 13, 2023 and was CONFIRMED on February 20, 2023.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III City Government Dept. Head III