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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 9172, S-2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF MIGRANT WORKERS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMS TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS AND PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS (OFWS) AND THEIR FAMILIES IN QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors EDGAR "Egay" G. YAP and DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Joseph P. Juico, Nikki V. Crisologo, Charm M. Ferrer, Fernando Miguel "Mikey" F. Belmonte, Candy A. Medina, Aly Medalla, 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, 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, the Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) is mandated to facilitate the overseas employment and reintegration of Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) and to promote the empowerment and protection of OFWs through continuous training and knowledge development;

WHEREAS, the Department of Migrant Workers takes the lead in fulfilling the State duty to protect the rights and promote the welfare of OFWs and their families and adheres to international conventions or bilateral or multilateral treaties on migration, and commits to progressively align its programs and policies towards the fulfillment of the Global Compact on Safe, Orderly, and Regular Migration;

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WHEREAS, the national policy under Republic Act No. 8042, otherwise known as the "Migrant Workers and Overseas Filipino Act of 1995", as amended by Republic Act No. 10022, institutes the policies of overseas employment and establishes a higher standard of protection and promotion of the welfare of migrant workers, their families and overseas Filipinos in distress;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. SP-2500, S-2016, entitled An Ordinance creating the Quezon City Migrants Resource Center (QC-MRC), defining its functions, duties, and responsibilities, providing for its composition and appropriating funds thereof and for other purposes, QC-MRC shall refer to the center in Quezon City created for the purpose of upholding the rights of migrant workers and other overseas Filipino and their families by promoting and ensuring full employment and equality of employment opportunities abroad, by protecting OFWs against illegal recruitment and related cases, by affording them the best possible conditions of by securing the efficient delivery of goods and services as well as initiating projects and programs dedicated to advancing self-reliant, socio-economic well-being through a sustainable and effective policy direction;

WHEREAS, both parties recognize their shared responsibilities and commitment to enhancing the full protection, promotion, and realization of the rights of OFWs and their families in Quezon City; to aid in the further development of appropriate, effective, and efficient services and programs;

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.

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11641, otherwise known as the Department of Migrant Workers Act, mandates the DMW to assume and perform all the powers and functions of seven merged agencies, namely: the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA); the Office of the Undersecretary for Migrant Workers' Affairs (OUMWA) of the DFA; the International Labor Affairs Bureau (ILAB) and all Philippine Overseas Labor Offices (POLO) under DOLE; the National Maritime Polytechnic (NMP); the National Reintegration Center for OFWs (NRCO) under the OWWA, and the Office of the Social Welfare Attaché (OSWA) under the DSWD.

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