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Quezon City
22nd City Council

PR22CC-329

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 9191, S-2023

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE SINCEREST CONGRATULATIONS AND COMMENDATION OF THE 22ND QUEZON CITY COUNCIL TO THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT, HEADED BY THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, FOR BEING LAUDED BY THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (CHR) AND AS RECOGNIZED BY THE REGIONAL INTER-AGENCY MONITORING TEAM (RIMT) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT-NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION (DILG-NCR) FOR ITS EFFORTS IN PROTECTING WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S RIGHTS.

Introduced by Councilors DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D., BERNARD R. HERRERA, and JOSEPH P. JUICO.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Nikki V. Crisologo, Charm M. Ferrer, 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, Atty. Anton L. Reyes, 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, the Commission on Human Rights (CHR), as the country's Gender and Development Ombud under the Magna Carta of Women, lauds the Quezon City Government for its fruitful efforts to protect women's and children's rights, as recognized by the Regional Inter-Agency Monitoring Team (RIMT) of the Department of the Interior and Local Government-National Capital Region (DILG-NCR) in its press release on February 6, 2023 in its official website;

WHEREAS, besides giving Quezon City a score of 100 for an audit covering Performance Year 2021, the RIMT also recognized Quezon City's innovations and interventions serving to address Violence Against Women and their Children (VAWC) within the city;

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WHEREAS, the RIMT assessed the Quezon City Government based on the criteria for organization, meetings, policies, plan, and budget and accomplishment, and gave the local government an adjectival rating of "IDEAL";

WHEREAS, one of the initiatives lauded was the directive to the Quezon City Police District (QCPD), the Quezon City Protection Center, and the Gender Development Office to increase their effort in monitoring and responding to reports of VAWC. Residents of Quezon City were equally encouraged to report abuses against women and children through Hotline 122, or to the barangay and the women's desks of the QCPD;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Gender and Development Integrated Management Information System, a unified database, also known as the "QC VAW Centralized Databank System", was similarly developed to aid in tracking, and responding to, reported VAWC cases across 142 barangays and police stations in the City;

WHEREAS, to date, the Quezon City Government has also created the Quezon City Protection Center for Victims of Gender-Based Violence and Abuse, a one-stop crisis center for women, children, and members of the LGBTQI community offering multidisciplinary interventions for victims of violence and abuse, and the Bahay Kanlungan, one of the pioneering local government-run shelters for abused women, children, and members of the LGBTQI community, which also serves as a temporary shelter for victim-survivors of gender-based violence and abuse;

WHEREAS, CHR extends due recognition to the Quezon City Government for embodying the principles promoted by the Philippine Magna Carta for Women, the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) and its Optional Protocol (OP-CEDAW), the Yogyakarta Principles, and the Convention on the Rights of the Child, among others;

WHEREAS, CHR encourages other local governments take inspiration from Quezon City's good practices and initiatives in taking a proactive role in the promotion and protection of women's rights and gender equality. Gender-based violence and abuse negatively impact a woman's overall well-being and their ability to fully participate in society, by perpetuating inequality and discrimination against women. By defending the rights and dignity of women, local governments can foster the development and stability of families, communities, and societies as a whole;

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WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper for the 22nd Quezon City Council as part of the Quezon City Government to recognize and commend the hard work and determination of the employees and heads from various agencies and patterns of the City in ensuring that women's and children's rights are protected.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to extend, as it does hereby extend, the sincerest congratulations and commendation of the 22^{nd} Quezon City Council to the Quezon City Government, headed by the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, for being lauded by the Commission on Human Rights (CHR) and as recognized by the Regional Inter-Agency Monitoring Team (RIMT) of the Department of the Interior and Local Government-National Capital Region (DILG-NCR) for its efforts in protecting women's and children's rights.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Gender and Development Council and its members.

ADOPTED: February 20, 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 20, 2023 and was CONFIRMED on February 27, 2023.

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III City Government Dept. Head III