

## Republic of the Philippines QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 9200, S-2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT, REPRESENTED BY DSWD SECRETARY REXLON T. GATCHALIAN, FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS IN CRISIS SITUATION (AICS) PROGRAM IN QUEZON CITY GENERAL HOSPITAL.

Introduced by Councilors BERNARD R. HERRERA, DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D., and MARIA ELEANOR "Doc Ellie" R. JUAN, O.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, 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, Kristine Alexia R. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Vito Sotto Generoso, Victor "Vic" Bernardo, and Alfredo "Freddy" Roxas.

WHEREAS, Section 11, Article XIII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides, among others, that the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development, which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health, and social services available to all people at affordable cost;

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WHEREAS, Section 22 of Republic Act No. 11223, otherwise known as the Universal Health Care (UHC) Act 2019, mandates the National Government to make available the commensurate financial and non-financial matching grants, including capital outlay, human resources for health and health commodities, to improve the functionality of province-wide and city-wide health systems, provided that the grants shall be in accordance with the approved province-wide and city-wide health investment plans;

WHEREAS, Memorandum Circular No. 16, Series of 2022 was signed by Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) last August 22, 2022, which provides for the Updated Guidelines for the Implementation of the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS) program to ensure a faster and more efficient delivery of assistance through the said program;

WHEREAS, the Program Management Bureau - Crisis Intervention Division (PMB-CID) of the DSWD Central Office is in charge with the nationwide implementation and monitoring of the AICS program in coordination with the Field Offices;

WHEREAS, the financial assistance that may be provided to eligible beneficiaries may be for medical/transportation/educational assistance as indicated to in the DSWD Memorandum Circular No. 16, Series of 2022;

WHEREAS, the Updated Guidelines provides that the DSWD may resort to other expeditious means of distribution by engaging partners or service providers that are able and willing to assist the DSWD;

WHEREAS, AICS was established to provide the best healthcare services at the lowest cost possible without sacrificing the quality of services;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City General Hospital (QCGH) is willing to forge a partnership with DSWD and its offices, by accepting approved DSWD Guarantee Letters (GL), providing a credit line to DSWD, and by making its services readily available to qualified beneficiaries, individuals, or families in crisis or in difficult situations, thus fostering and promoting efficient delivery of medical and social services;

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 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 City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Social Welfare and Development, represented by DSWD Secretary Rexlon T. Gatchalian, for the implementation of the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situation (AICS) Program in Quezon City General Hospital.

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

RESOLVED FINALLY, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Hospital Director of Quezon City General Hospital, for information and guidance.

ADOPTED: March 13, 2023.

GIAN G. SOTTO City Vice Mayor Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

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

## CERTIFICATION

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

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