

## Republic of the Philippines **QUEZON CITY COUNCIL**

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

PR22CC-333

29th Regular Session

9243 RESOLUTION NO. SP-

A RESOLUTION URGING ALL RESTAURANTS, FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS, HOTELS, LODGING HOUSES AND OTHER SIMILAR BUSINESSES IN QUEZON CITY TO PROVIDE SPECIAL DISCOUNTS, INCENTIVES OR BENEFITS TO OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKER (OFW)-RESIDENTS OF QUEZON CITY

Introduced by Councilors MARRA C. SUNTAY, ATTY. ANTON L. REYES and WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., 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, Geleen "Dok G" G. Lumbad, Albert Alvin "Chuckie" L. Antonio III, Don S. De Leon, Edgar "Egay" G. Yap, Raquel S. Malañgen, Irene R. Belmonte, Nanette Castelo-Daza, 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, Alfredo "Freddy" Roxas and Julian Marcus D. Trono

WHEREAS, earning the sobriquet as Bagong Bayani for their sacrifice in leaving their family to work abroad in order to support them, Overseas Filipino Workers' (OFWs) contribution to our country is truly invaluable;

WHEREAS, in 2022, personal remittances from OFWs in January to November reached \$32.65 billion which is 3.4% higher than the \$31.59 billion recorded in 2021. Said recorded amount is equivalent to more than ten percent (10%) of the Philippines' Gross Domestic Product;

WHEREAS, while our government does not promote overseas employment as a means to sustain economic growth and achieve national development, the significant contribution of Filipino migrant workers to our national economy, through their foreign exchange remittances must be recognized and reciprocated;

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WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8042, as amended by Republic Act No. 10022, otherwise known as the Migrant Workers and Overseas Filipinos Act of 1995, declared it as a national policy that the government shall provide adequate and timely social, economic and legal services to Filipino migrant workers;

WHEREAS, to relatively fulfill this esteemed national objective, as well as to repay the efforts of our OFWs who are considered the pillars of our economy, we, the Quezon City Government and its people, must encourage all restaurants, food establishments, and lodging businesses in our City to provide special discounts, incentives, and benefits geared toward our resident-OFWs, such as, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) Price discount;
- (b) Special vouchers or coupons;
- (c) Freebies;
- (d) Point of Purchase Displays;
- (e) Premiums;
- (f) Loss Leader Pricing;
- (g) Product Samples; and
- (h) Rebates.

WHEREAS, it is through these exclusive sale arrangements or benefits, to such a degree, given to our OFWs that we can express our gratitude and appreciation for their sacrifices for their families, as well as their economic contribution to our country.

## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge, all restaurants, food establishments, hotels, lodging houses and other similar businesses in Quezon City to provide special discounts, incentives or benefits to Overseas Filipino Worker (OFW)-residents of the City.

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RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Business Permits and Licensing Department in order that it will be disseminated to all restaurants, food establishments, hotels, lodging houses and other similar businesses operating in Quezon City.

ADOPTED: April 3, 2023.

BERNARD R. HERRERA City Councilor Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III City Government Department Head III (City Council Secretary)

## **CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on April 3, 2023 and was CONFIRMED under Suspended Rules on the same date.

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
City Government Department Head III
(City Council Secretary)