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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 9432, S-2023

A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING THE ALLEGED GUN-TOTING INCIDENT THAT HAPPENED LAST AUGUST 8, 2023 ALONG WELCOME ROTONDA, QUEZON CITY AS MANIFESTATION OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE AND SAFETY, AND CALLING ON THE POLICE AUTHORITIES TO STRICTLY OBSERVE THE STANDARD POLICE OPERATING PROCEDURE IN THE HANDLING OR INVESTIGATION OF ANY CRIMINAL CASE

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*Introduced by Councilors DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D.,  
and TATAY RANNIE Z. LUDOVICA*

*Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, 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, 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., Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Vito Sotto Generoso, Victor "Vic" Bernardo, Alfredo "Freddy" Roxas and Julian Marcus D. Trono*

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*WHEREAS, on August 8, 2023, a road-rage incident which occurred along Welcome Rotonda, Quezon City, involved a male cyclist and a former police officer, later identified as Wilfredo "Willy" Gonzales, who was driving a red Kia car;*

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WHEREAS, in a video footage, it would appear that the former police officer encroached the bicycle lane and later swerved to the left side to go back to the lane designated for four-wheeled vehicles, thereby causing the approaching cyclist to accidentally hit his car. Consequently, altercation between the two parties ensued;

WHEREAS, during the said altercation, the former police officer pulled a gun and threatened the unarmed cyclist; such incident caught the attention of the public and prompted the unidentified netizen to post on social media the video footage that went viral several days thereafter;

WHEREAS, regardless of liability and the social status of the parties involved, the Quezon City Government (QCG) and the Quezon City Police District (QCPD), affirming its commitment to justice and safety, do not tolerate any act of violence, abuse, and terror within their jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, the QCG, as health and vehicular traffic-reduction advocate, has always emphasized the importance of safe cycling and active transport. With the help of the Quezon City Council, QCG has spearheaded the approval of certain legislative measures such as Ordinance No. SP-2988, S-2020 which promotes Safe Cycling and Active Transport and Ordinance No. SP-2636, S-2017, otherwise known as the QC Road Safety Code;

WHEREAS, under the said City Ordinances, obstruction of bike or cycling lanes or walking paths, as well as the blocking thereof by any motor vehicle at any time, are strictly prohibited and shall be meted with a corresponding penalty;

WHEREAS, it is unfortunate that when the lowly cyclist and Mr. Gonzales faced each other in the police station, the standard police operating procedure, particularly the conduct of an in-depth investigation as to the veracity of the alleged gun-toting incident to determine the surrounding circumstances, was allegedly not followed;

WHEREAS, adhering to the time-honored principle that no one is above the law, the Quezon City Council joins the sentiments of the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina "Joy" G. Belmonte and the City's peace-loving people, that the culture of impunity and acts of violence have no place in Quezon City.

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NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to condemn, as it does hereby condemn, the alleged gun-toting incident that happened last August 8, 2023 along Welcome Rotonda, Quezon City as manifestation of the City Government's commitment to justice and safety, and calling on the police authorities to strictly observe the standard police operating procedure in the handling or investigation of any criminal case.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the:

1. Quezon City Government (QCG) shall provide assistance to all those who would come forward and shed light to the alleged gun-toting incident including the call for the cyclist to collaborate with the QCG to ensure that justice is served and that the perpetrator is held accountable for his alleged abusive actions.
2. Quezon City Police District (QCPD) shall look into the manner in which the Galas Police Station (PS-11) handled the incident and allowed it to be resolved amicably, without proper accountability and, if needed, to come up with the proposed revisions of police's Manual of Operations.
3. Quezon City People's Law Enforcement Board (PLEB) shall conduct a thorough investigation on how the QCPD handled the case, with expectation of transparency and fairness in the investigation process.
4. Philippine National Police (PNP), particularly the Firearms and Explosives Office, shall revoke all the gun licenses and permits to carry issued to the perpetrator upon finding out that he is unfit to carry firearms and violated existing laws, rules, and regulations.
5. Land Transportation Office (LTO) shall revoke the perpetrator's driver's license upon finding that he had violated traffic rules and regulations before, during, and after the gun-toting incident.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the QCPD, PLEB, PNP, particularly the Firearms and Explosive Office, LTO and all concerned offices, departments, or agencies of the government for information and appropriate action.

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*RESOLVED FINALLY, that the Quezon City Council's Committee on Public Order and Security and the Committee on Laws, Rules and Internal Government shall conduct a joint investigation, in aid of legislation, to review the existing laws, ordinances, and other relevant administrative or executive issuances that need amendment or modification to prevent the recurrence of similar incident.*

*ADOPTED: September 11, 2023.*


  
GIAN G. SOTTO  
City Vice Mayor  
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 September 11, 2023 and was CONFIRMED on September 18, 2023.*

  
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