

Republic of the Philippines OUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 22nd City Council

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 9438 , S-2023

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER AS THE MONTH TO CELEBRATE THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DECLARATION OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY OF LA NAVAL AS PATRONESS OF QUEZON CITY IN TIME FOR THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION OF OUR LADY OF LA NAVAL AS PATRONESS OF QUEZON CITY

Introduced by Councilors DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D., BERNARD R. HERRERA, TANY JOE "TJ" L. CALALAY, JOSEPH P. JUICO and CHARM M. FERRER

Co-Introduced by Councilors Nikki V. Crisologo, 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, 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, Alfredo "Freddy" Roxas and Julian Marcus D. Trono

WHEREAS, the title "Our Lady of La Naval" pertains to the Marian devotion promoted by the Dominicans in Sto. Domingo Church. Central to this devotion is a 16th century image of Our Lady of the Rosary which countless devotees deem miraculous through the ages;

WHEREAS, among the many favors granted through the Rosary devotion with this image are the series of naval victories of the Country against the Dutch that took place in 1646. Since then, the faithful endeared her with the name "Our Lady of the Rosary of La Naval de Manila", "La Naval de Manila", or simply "Our Lady of La Naval";

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WHEREAS, on August 21, 1973, the City Council of Quezon City adopted Resolution No. 9645-S73 adopting the Virgin of the Rosary of La Naval as the Patroness of Quezon City, with Honorable Carlos L. Albert, Vice Mayor and Presiding Officer, and Honorable Norberto S. Amoranto, City Mayor, as signatories;

WHEREAS, the said Resolution provided that it is fitting and proper that Quezon City "have the Virgin of the Rosary of La Naval as its Patroness" given that it "has the distinction of being the site of the National Shrine of La Naval" whose festivities coincide with the month when Quezon City was founded in 1939;

WHEREAS, on October 12, 1973, the Quezon City celebrated its 34th Founding Anniversary and the official adoption of Our Lady of La Naval as Patroness of the City. The Dominicans brought the ivory image itself for the occasion;

WHEREAS, in 1974, the Pope issued the Bull "Caelestium munerum conciliatrix" (The Advocate of Heavenly Favors) and confirmed thereby "the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Rosary, to whom the popular title of 'La Naval' is given, as the principal Patroness of Quezon City" through a petition made on behalf of the City by Archbishop Jaime L. Sin on behalf of the City;

WHEREAS, the Year 2023 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Proclamation of Our Lady as Patroness of Quezon City. The festivities honoring La Naval de Manila this year celebrate the City's ardent love and devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary as manifested in the people's motion, through City Council Resolution, to enshrine Our Lady of La Naval as their patroness in 1973;

WHEREAS, the Resolution made by Quezon City is significant for not often does a government-level declaration of a city patronage receive formal confirmation from the Holy See through a Papal decree;

WHEREAS, because of this, the occasion this year calls to mind with gratitude and joy not only the 1973 Resolution by the City Government but also the 1974 Papal Decree that celebrated the great piety of the devotees of Our Lady of La Naval in Quezon City;

WHEREAS, in gratitude for the unfailing blessings we received from God through Her prayers, we honor in a special way this year Our Lady of the Rosary of La Naval, "Advocate of Heavenly Favors", who stood for Quezon City as its principal patroness in the last fifty years.

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NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to declare, as it does hereby declare, the month of October as the month to celebrate the anniversary of the declaration of Our Lady of the Rosary of La Naval as Patroness of Quezon City in time for the 50th Anniversary of the proclamation of Our Lady of La Naval as Patroness of Quezon City.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Sto. Domingo Parish and Convent, Barangay Sto. Domingo for their information and reference.

ADOPTED: October 2, 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 October 2, 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