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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 9459, S-2023

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING HEARTFELT SYMPATHY AND OFFERING PRAYERS TO OUR SISTER-CITY RISHON LEZION THAT HAS BEEN AFFECTED BY THE OCTOBER 8, 2023 ATTACK IN ISRAEL

Introduced by Councilor DAVE C. VALMOCINA

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Nikki V. Crisologo, Charm M. Ferrer, Fernando Miguel "Mikey" F. Belmonte, Candy A. Medina, Aly Medalla, 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, Alfredo "Freddy" Roxas and Julian Marcus D. Trono

WHEREAS, Rishon LeZion, the third largest city with the highest quality of life in Israel, is a Sister-City of Quezon City after the virtual signing of the Agreement last April 2022, pursuant to Resolution No. SP-8488, S-2021;

WHEREAS, the Sister-City Agreement was further sealed when it was formally signed by Quezon City Mayor Ma. Josefina "Joy" G. Belmonte and Rishon LeZion Mayor Raz Kintslich, and when the Quezon City delegation did a benchmarking visit to the City of Rishon LeZion in May 2023;

WHEREAS, the City of Rizhon LeZion showed remarkable hospitality to our Quezon City delegation and it generously shared its best practices that might be useful to Quezon City;

WHEREAS, in the early morning of October 8, 2023, the Hamas group launched a surprise attack by land, air, and sea in Israel;

WHEREAS, the Hamas group launched this attack by firing rockets in several towns and cities, including the City of Rishon LeZion;

WHEREAS, the surprise attack has caused the death of about 1000 people and the number is expected to grow as the violence continues to persist;

WHEREAS, on October 9, 2023, the Office of the President released a statement condemning the attacks and expressing deepest sympathies to those who have lost loved ones in the fight between the Israeli military and the Hamas group;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government expresses heartfelt sympathy and is offering prayers to our Sister-City Rishon LeZion that has been affected by the October 8, 2023 attack in Israel.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to express, as it does hereby express heartfelt sympathy and offer prayers to our Sister-City Rishon LeZion that has been affected by the October 8, 2023 attack in Israel.

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RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be given in scroll form to the Office of the City Mayor and the Israel Embassy in Manila.

ADOPTED: October 16, 2023.


JOSEPH R. JUICO
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 October 16, 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)