

## Republic of the Philippines QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

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

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 9512, S-2023

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE SINCEREST CONGRATULATIONS OF THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT, HEADED BY THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, THE CITY VICE MAYOR, HONORABLE GIAN G. SOTTO, AND THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE 22ND CITY COUNCIL, TO THE INTEGRATED BAR OF THE PHILIPPINES (IBP), QUEZON CITY CHAPTER FOR RECEIVING THE BEST CHAPTER AWARD DURING THE IBP NATIONAL CONVENTION OF LAWYERS HELD IN DAVAO CITY ON FEBRUARY 16 TO 18, 2023

Introduced by Councilors ATTY. ANTON L. REYES and GODOFREDO T. LIBAN II

Co-Introduced by Councilors 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, 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 Jhon Angelli "Sami" C. Neri

WHEREAS, the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) is the national professional association of all Filipino lawyers ordained by the Supreme Court on January 9, 1973, and constituted into a corporate body through Presidential Decree No. 181 on May 4, 1973;

WHEREAS, among the chapters of IBP is the IBP Quezon City Chapter, the largest chapter in the country, currently led by the Board of Officers for 2021 to 2023, composed of Atty. Marcelino Michael I. Atanante IV, President; Atty. Melissa R. Encanto-Tagarda, Vice President; Atty. Rodolfo John Robert C. Palattao IV, Secretary; Atty. Ginger Anne S. Castillo, Treasurer; Atty. Cherrie B. Belmonte-Lim, Auditor; Atty. Cynthia Corazon G. Roxas, P.R.O.; and Atty. Katherine Celine R. Castro, Atty. Rowell D. Ilagan, Atty. Kathleen Stacey P. Villordon, Atty. Kristjan Vicente T. Gargantiel and Atty. Montano T. Nazario, Jr., Directors; and supported by its entire lawyer-member population;

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WHEREAS, the IBP Quezon City Chapter, through its revamped organization, greatly improved its services for its members by creating better accessibility for knowledge-transfer not only through the launch of the online Mandatory Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, but also via numerous activities, seminars and workshops;

WHEREAS, aside from catering to its members, the IBP Quezon City Chapter took the definition of public service further and implemented projects to serve more local indigent clients and Overseas Filipino Worker (OFW) clients through its legal aid missions within the Philippines and in nearby Asian countries, such as Belgium and the Netherlands;

WHEREAS, the IBP Quezon City Chapter also dedicated itself to enriching and improving the lives of Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDLs), through its donation of supplies and desktop computers for their use, as well as conducting recollection activities and masses in various correctional facilities across the National Capital Region (NCR);

WHEREAS, as part of its regular activities, the IBP held its 19<sup>th</sup> IBP National Convention of Lawyers in Davao City last February 16 to 18, 2023, which was attended by the numerous IBP chapters nationwide, including the IBP Quezon City Chapter;

WHEREAS, among the events held during the 19th IBP Convention is the conferment of awards, including the most prestigious Best Chapter Award to the most deserving IBP Chapter which displayed exemplary contribution in providing quality service not only to its members but also to the public;

WHEREAS, in view of its outstanding performance, the IBP Quezon City Chapter was conferred by the IBP with 11 awards which include IBP Gawad Lila, Most Innovative Non-Legal Aid Activity or Practice Award, Most Innovative Online Activity or Practice Award, Best Regional Activity or Project Award, and Legal Aid Act of Distinction, among others;

WHEREAS, the IBP also recognized IBP Quezon City Chapter's commendable efforts in elevating the standard of the legal profession and improving the administration of justice through its significant and innovative contributions for the benefit of the legal profession and society, in general;

WHEREAS, in view of the aforementioned recognition of IBP Quezon City Chapter's achievements, the IBP conferred the IBP Quezon City Chapter with the Best Chapter Award for Category A (1,000 members or more), the highest distinction for an IBP Chapter, hailing the IBP Quezon City Chapter the best among all other chapters in its category nationwide.

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## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to extend, as it does hereby extend, the sincerest congratulations of the Quezon City Government, headed by the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, the City Vice Mayor, Honorable Gian G. Sotto, and the Honorable Members of the 22<sup>nd</sup> City Council, to the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP), Quezon City Chapter for receiving the Best Chapter Award during the IBP National Convention of Lawyers held in Davao City on February 16 to 18, 2023.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP), Quezon City Chapter in scroll form.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2023.

BERNARI 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 December 4, 2023 and was CONFIRMED on December 11, 2023.

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