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New PRC QC building: A testament to an enduring partnership

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A NEW three-story building now stands inside the Quezon City Hall complex for the Philippine Red Cross Quezon City (PRC QC) Chapter.

A testament to the partnership between the Quezon City government and the PRC, the building hosts a Blood Center on the ground floor, a command center, a training room and a multipurpose hall. Its construction was funded by the Quezon City government that also provided furniture and fixtures needed by PRC QC.

It is located alongside other City Health Department buildings, with the city government ensuring it was built taking into consideration the requirements of the PRC QC to enhance its capacity in responding to emergencies and provide blood assistance to Filipinos residing in the National Capital Region.

The new building was inaugurated last April 15 as part of the activities to celebrate the 77th founding anniversary of the Philippine Red Cross.

It was on March 22, 1947, when then president Manuel Roxas signed Republic Act 95, known as the PRC charter. Its first chairman was Aurora Quezon, and its inaugural ceremony was held on April 15, 1947.

Among those present during the inauguration were Sen. Bong Go, chairman of the Senate Committee on Health; PRC Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Richard Gordon; PRC Secretary-General Dr. Gwendolyn Pang; Mayor Joy Belmonte; Quezon City Rep. PM Vargas; former QC mayor and Speaker Feliciano Belmonte, Gov. Ernesto Isla; Chapter Administrator Janice Melody Adolfo; SM Foundation Executive Director for Health and Medical Service Connie Angeles; and guests from different Red Cross chapters.