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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **9639**, S-2024

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS OF THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES COLLEGE OF LAW TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2024 PHILIP C. JESSUP INTERNATIONAL LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION HELD IN WASHINGTON D.C., U.S.A. FROM MARCH 30, 2024 TO APRIL 6, 2024

Introduced by Councilors ALFRED VARGAS, MPA and DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D.

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, 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, 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, Ram V. Medalla, Shaira "Shay" L. Liban, Mutya Castelo, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Kristine Alexia R. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Victor "Vic" Bernardo, Jose Maria M. Rodriguez and Jhon Angelli "Sami" C. Neri

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government recognizes the outstanding achievements and exemplary contributions of individuals and organizations within its jurisdiction, especially those who bring pride not only to the City but to the Filipino nation;

WHEREAS, the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition is the oldest, largest, and most prestigious international moot court competition in the world-a contest that simulates a hypothetical dispute between countries before the International Court of Justice, the judicial organ of the United Nations and where teams prepare oral and written pleadings arguing both parties' positions of the case;

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WHEREAS, according to its organizer, White & Case LLP, a total of 674 teams, representing 100 countries and jurisdictions, registered to participate in the 2024 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, which was the largest-ever in the tournament's 65-year history;

WHEREAS, a record-setting 64 national and regional rounds took place all around the world during the first quarter of 2024 before leading up to the International Rounds of the 2024 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition;

WHEREAS, the International Rounds in Washington, D.C., U.S.A., held from March 30, 2024 to April 6, 2024, saw 150 teams competing from 85 countries throughout the week-long contest;

WHEREAS, this year's moot court problem raised issues related to the right to political expression, statelessness, the right to a nationality, and the scope of the United Nations Security Council's authority in the peaceful settlement of disputes;

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2024, the team from the University of the Philippines College of Law in Diliman, Quezon City won the Championship Round against Argentina's Universidad Torcuato Di Tella;

WHEREAS, the team is composed of Mary Regine Dadole, Pauline De Leon, Pauline Samantha Sagayo, Chinzen Viernes, and Ignacio Lorenzo Villareal, who all demonstrated topical expertise and brilliance under the guidance of Senior Lecturer, Atty. Marianne Vitug, as coach and Associate Professor Rommel Casis, as faculty adviser;

WHEREAS, for his excellent advocacy of the case during the Championship Round, Ignacio Villareal also clinched the Stephen M. Schwebel Award for Best Oralist Award of the competition;

WHEREAS, the Championship Round was adjudicated by 3 world-renowned judges and credentialed experts in the field of international law: International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea Judge, Maria Teresa Infante Caffi; Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Singapore, Sundaresh Menon; and Vice Chair of the UN Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, Ganna Yudkivska;

WHEREAS, the University of the Philippines College of Law team's achievement in this extremely competitive global tournament demonstrates Quezon City-based institutions' status as world-class centers of learning;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government expresses its pride and gratitude to this historic and storied achievement of the University of the Philippines College of Law team, which will doubtlessly serve as an inspiration for those who aspire to be advocates of law and justice.

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NOW, THEREFORE,


BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to express, as it does hereby express, the warmest congratulations of the Quezon City Government to the University of the Philippines College of Law team for winning the 2024 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition held in Washington D.C., U.S.A. from March 30, 2024 to April 6, 2024.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be given and presented to the members, coach, and faculty adviser of the University of the Philippines College of Law team.

ADOPTED: May 6, 2024.


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 May 6, 2024 and was CONFIRMED on May 13, 2024.


ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
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