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RESOLUTION NO. SP-9708, S-2024

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE NATIONAL AUTHORITY FOR CHILD CARE (NACC) FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PHILIPPINE FOSTER CARE PROGRAM IN QUEZON CITY

Introduced by Councilors DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D., GELEEN "Dok G" G. LUMBAD and MARIA ELEANOR "Doc Ellie" R. JUAN, O.D.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Joseph P. Juico, Nikki V. Crisologo, Charm M. Ferrer, Aly Medalla, Dave C. Valmocina, Tatay Rannie Z. Ludovica, Godofredo T. Liban II, Albert Alvin "Chuckie" L. Antonio III, 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, Kristine Alexia R. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Vito Sotto Generoso, Victor "Vic" Bernardo, Jose Maria M. Rodriguez and Jhon Angelli "Sami" C. Neri

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WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10165, otherwise known as the Foster Care Act of 2012, provides that it is the policy of the State to provide every child who is neglected, abused, surrendered, dependent, abandoned, under sociocultural difficulties, or with special needs with an alternative family that will provide love and care as well as opportunities for growth and development;

WHEREAS, the Foster Care Program is an alternative family care for children in need of protection from all forms of abuse, neglect and exploitation. It aims to deinstitutionalize the children placed in residential care facilities. It promotes one-on-one family care;

WHEREAS, the National Authority for Child Care (NACC) is a quasi-judicial agency attached to the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) created by virtue of Republic Act No. 11642, otherwise known as the Domestic Administrative Adoption and Alternative Child Care Act;

WHEREAS, NACC is mandated to exercise powers and functions as the central authority in domestic administrative adoption, intercountry adoption, and alternative child care such as foster care, kinship care, family-like care, and residential care through the provision of simpler, expeditious, inexpensive, and streamlined processes and services in pursuit of the best interest of children in need of adoption and alternative child care;

WHEREAS, Section 86 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act No. 11642, also known as the Domestic Administrative Adoption and Alternative Child Care Act, mandates the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) to include adoption and alternative child care among the criteria/indicators in the Child-Friendly Local Governance Audit;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government, through the Social Services Development Department (SSDD), is willing to support the foster care program seeing its positive impact to the welfare of the children in need of alternative family care. This will also decongest the Bahay Kalinga for Children which usually reaches its full bed capacity due to the increasing number of victims of abuse;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 455(b)(1)(vi) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the City Mayor shall represent the City in all its business transactions and sign in its behalf all bonds, contracts and obligations, and such other documents upon authority of the Sangguniang Panlungsod or pursuant to law or ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to authorize, as it does hereby authorize, the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the National Authority for Child Care (NACC) for the implementation of the Philippine Foster Care Program in Quezon City.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of the subject Memorandum of Agreement shall form an integral part of this Resolution.

ADOPTED: May 20, 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 20, 2024 and was CONFIRMED on May 27, 2024.

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