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*RESOLUTION NO. SP-*10698*, S-2026*

A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A QUEZON CITY HERITAGE HOUSES PROGRAM TO PROMOTE HERITAGE TOURISM, CULTURAL EDUCATION, AND THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORICAL AND ANCESTRAL HOMES IN QUEZON CITY

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WHEREAS, Quezon City possesses a rich historical and cultural heritage reflected in its historical residences, ancestral homes, heritage structures, architecturally significant buildings, and historic neighborhoods that collectively tell the story of the City's political, social, cultural, and architectural development;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10066, otherwise known as the National Cultural Heritage Act of 2009, declares the policy of the State to conserve, promote, and protect the nation's historical and cultural heritage as an important component of national identity and sustainable development;

WHEREAS, heritage tourism has become an effective means of preserving local history while providing meaningful educational and cultural experiences for residents, students, and visitors, and at the same time generating economic opportunities for local communities and businesses;

WHEREAS, many cities around the world have successfully implemented heritage house tours, historical open house programs, heritage walks, and similar initiatives that encourage public appreciation of historically significant residences while promoting responsible cultural tourism;

WHEREAS, Quezon City is home to numerous historically and architecturally significant residences and neighborhoods, including but not limited to New Manila, Diliman, Loyola Heights, and other communities whose heritage may be preserved and appreciated through organized educational and tourism initiatives;

WHEREAS, the development of a comprehensive Heritage Houses Program can serve as a platform for documenting, interpreting, preserving, and showcasing historically significant homes and neighborhoods while strengthening civic pride and appreciation of Quezon City's rich history;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Tourism Department, in coordination with relevant city departments, heritage organizations, historians, academic institutions, property owners, cultural advocates, and community organizations, is in a strategic position to facilitate heritage tourism initiatives while respecting private property rights and promoting voluntary participation.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to encourage, as it does hereby encourage, the development of a Quezon City Heritage Houses Program to promote heritage tourism, cultural education, and the preservation of historical and ancestral homes in Quezon City.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Quezon City Government, through the Quezon City Tourism Department, in coordination with relevant City Departments and stakeholders, be encouraged to develop and implement a Quezon City Heritage Houses Program, which may include Heritage House Tours, Historical Houses Open House activities, guided heritage walks, educational exhibits, cultural presentations, heritage weekends, and similar programs showcasing historically and architecturally significant residences, ancestral homes, heritage structures, and historic neighborhoods within Quezon City.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that the Quezon City Tourism Department be encouraged to coordinate with historians, heritage experts, the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), academic institutions, cultural organizations, and heritage advocates in identifying historically significant houses and neighborhoods, preparing heritage documentation, and developing educational materials, interpretive guides, and heritage tourism programs.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that concerned City Departments may support the implementation of the Program by assisting in heritage documentation, tourism promotion, preparation of educational materials, historical research, cultural programming, and other initiatives that highlight the City's heritage resources.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that barangays are encouraged to assist in identifying historically significant homes and heritage areas within their respective communities, encourage community participation, coordinate local heritage activities, and promote awareness and appreciation of Quezon City's cultural and historical heritage.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) and other youth organizations are encouraged to participate as youth volunteers, cultural ambassadors, tour guides, event facilitators, and partners in heritage awareness campaigns and educational activities that promote appreciation of local history among the youth.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that non-governmental organizations, heritage groups, academic institutions, universities, museums, cultural organizations, and community associations are encouraged to collaborate with the City Government in conducting heritage documentation, guided tours, lectures, exhibitions, cultural presentations, educational programs, and other activities that advance heritage conservation and appreciation.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that property owners, private sector partners, tourism stakeholders, local businesses, and cultural institutions are encouraged to support heritage preservation and responsible heritage tourism through voluntary participation, sponsorship of heritage initiatives, and other collaborative efforts that promote the rich historical and cultural legacy of Quezon City.

ADOPTED: August 3, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was ADOPTED by the City Council on Second Reading on August 3, 2026 and was CONFIRMED on September 17, 2026.

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ATTESTED:

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