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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 10470 *, S-2026*

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE STRONG SUPPORT OF THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 1025, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PHILIPPINE NATIVE TREES ACT OF 2025," AUTHORED BY BAGONG HENERASYON PARTY-LIST REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT NAZAL, WHICH SEEKS TO PROTECT, CONSERVE, AND PROMOTE THE SUSTAINABLE USE OF NATIVE TREE SPECIES IN THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by Councilors DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D., TANY JOE "TJ" L. CALALAY, BERNARD R. HERRERA, WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY and CANDY A. MEDINA

Co-Introduced by Councilors Joseph P. Juico, Charm Ferrer, CPA, MPA, JD, Nicole "Nikki" V. Crisologo, Mikey F. Belmonte, Atty. Voltaire Godofredo "Bong" Liban III, Aly Medalla, Dave C. Valmocina, Albert Alvin "Chuckie" L. Antonio III, Atty. Vicente Belmonte Jr., Edgar "Egay" G. Yap, Nanette Castelo Daza, Imee Rillo, Atty. Jesus Miguel Suntay, Raquel S. Malañgen, Joseph Joe Visaya, Aiko Melendez, Alfred Vargas, MPA, Karl Edgar Castelo, Shaira "Shay" L. Liban, Ram V. Medalla, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Kristine Alexia Matias, RN, Victor "Vic" D. Bernardo, Vito Sotto Generoso, Erwin Rey "Cocoy" A. Medina, Jose Maria "Mari" M. Rodriguez, and Jhon Angelli "Sami" C. Neri

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WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines recognizes the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, native trees are an essential part of the Philippines' natural heritage; they play a crucial role in maintaining ecological balance, preserving biodiversity, protecting watersheds, and supporting wildlife habitats;

WHEREAS, many native tree species in the Philippines are endemic and are found nowhere else in the world, making their protection vital not only for the Country but also for global biodiversity conservation;

WHEREAS, rapid urbanization, deforestation, land conversion, and environmental degradation have contributed to the gradual decline of native tree species across the Country;

WHEREAS, native trees are essential in ensuring water security, carbon sequestration, climate stability, and disaster resilience, especially in a country highly vulnerable to the impacts of climate change;

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 1025, otherwise known as the Philippine Native Trees Act of 2025, authored by Bagong Henerasyon Party-list Representative Robert Nazal, seeks to establish a comprehensive national framework for the protection, conservation, propagation, and sustainable use of native tree species in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the proposed measure promotes science-based mapping of native trees, prohibits the commercial harvesting of threatened native species, supports the establishment of nurseries and seed banks, integrates conservation in education, and encourages public-private partnerships in reforestation efforts;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government has consistently championed environmental protection and sustainability through initiatives aimed at preserving urban green spaces and strengthening climate resilience.

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government has already enacted local measures supportive of native tree conservation, ecological protection, and environmental sustainability, including Ordinance No. SP-2359, S-2014, entitled "An Ordinance Mandating All Barangays in Quezon City to Include in Their Respective Territorial Jurisdiction to Promote Ecological Balance and to Provide Wholesome Environment, and for Other Purposes," and Ordinance No. SP-2638, S-2017, entitled "An Ordinance Mandating the Preservation of Century and Heritage Trees in the Jurisdiction of Quezon City";

WHEREAS, Quezon City has likewise initiated and supported urban greening, reforestation, and environmental sustainability programs, including efforts aligned with the City's "One Million Trees" target and related climate resilience initiatives by 2028.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to express, as it does hereby express, the strong support of the Quezon City Government for House Bill No. 1025, otherwise known as the "Philippine Native Trees Act of 2025," authored by Bagong Henerasyon Party-list Representative Robert Nazal, which seeks to protect, conserve, and promote the sustainable use of native tree species in the Philippines.

RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the House of Representatives of the Philippines, Bagong Henerasyon Party-list Representative Robert Nazal, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), and other concerned agencies for their information and appropriate action.

ADOPTED: May 11, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was ADOPTED by the City Council on Second Reading on May 11, 2026 and was CONFIRMED on May 20, 2026.

BERNARD R. HERRERA
President Pro-Tempore
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
City Government Department Head III
(Secretary to the Sanggunian)