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QUEZON CITY COUNCIL
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RESOLUTION NO. SP-10069, S-2025

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT, REPRESENTED BY THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF A MONUMENT FOR JOSE CORAZON "HUSENG BATUTE" DE JESUS

Introduced by Councilors ALY MEDALLA and DAVE C. VALMOCINA

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Joseph P. Juico, Nikki V. Crisologo, Charm M. Ferrer, Candy A. Medina, 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, Raquel S. Malañgen, Irene R. Belmonte, Nanette Castelo-Daza, Marra C. Suntay, Joseph Joe Visaya, Alfred Vargas, MPA, Ram V. Medalla, Aiko S. Melendez, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Vito Sotto Generoso and Victor "Vic" Bernardo

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WHEREAS, Section 15, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution makes it a policy of the State to conserve, promote and popularize the nation's historical and cultural heritage and resources;

WHEREAS, the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), a government agency created by Republic Act No. 7356 as the overall policy-making, coordinating, and grant-giving body for the preservation, development and promotion of Philippine arts and culture, is tasked to administer the National Endowment Fund for Culture and the Arts exclusively for the implementation of programs and projects that promote, among others, the Philippines' Intangible Cultural Heritage;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, mandates Local Government Units to ensure and support, among others, the preservation and enrichment of culture;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government, in recognition of the life and works of Jose Corazon "Huseng Batute" de Jesus, adopted Executive Order No. 19, declaring November 22 as "Araw ng Pagtula";

WHEREAS, the NCCA has committed a grant of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php1,500,000.00) for the project entitled, "Pagpupugay sa Buhay at Pamana ni Jose Corazon 'Huseng Batute' de Jesus," aimed at constructing a monument to honor the legacy of Jose Corazon de Jesus, the Father of Balagtasan;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government recognizes the importance of promoting and preserving the Nation's historical and cultural heritage, particularly the contributions of Jose Corazon de Jesus to Philippine Intagible Cultural Heritage (ICH), especially in Filipino poetry;

WHEREAS, it is but proper to pay homage to the Filipino poet, Jose Corazon "Huseng Batute" de Jesus, as he continues to inspire love for the Philippines and Filipino culture and heritage.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to authorize, as it does hereby authorize, the Quezon City Government, represented by the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, to enter into and sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the National Commission for Culture and the Arts for the construction and installation of a monument for Jose Corazon "Huseng Batute" De Jesus.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Quezon City Council affirms its support to the foregoing project and commits to allocate the budget necessary to, among others, maintain and promote the Jose Corazon "Huseng Batute" de Jesus monument as a cultural marker and tourist destination.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that the Memorandum of Agreement shall form an integral part hereof.

ADOPTED: March 25, 2025.

IMEE A. RILLO
City Councilor
Acting 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 March 25, 2025 and was CONFIRMED under Suspended Rules on the same date.

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