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RESOLUTION NO. SP-10704, S-2026

A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY FIRE BREAK CORRIDORS IN HIGH-RISK RESIDENTIAL AREAS IN QUEZON CITY TO IMPROVE FIRE PREVENTION, EMERGENCY ACCESS, AND COMMUNITY DISASTER RESILIENCE

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WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provides that local government units shall promote the general welfare of their constituents, including the preservation of life and property and the protection of communities from disasters;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City, being one of the most densely populated cities in the Philippines, has several residential communities where narrow alleys, congested housing, and limited access routes make fire response difficult and increase the risk of rapid fire spread;

WHEREAS, several fire incidents in highly populated urban communities have demonstrated that limited access for fire trucks and emergency responders can significantly delay response time and worsen the damage caused by fires;

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WHEREAS, the establishment of designated fire break corridors—clear and accessible emergency pathways within communities—can significantly slow down the spread of fires, improve emergency response, and provide safe evacuation routes for residents;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Department (QCDRRMD), in coordination with the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), the Department of Public Order and Safety (DPOS), the City Engineering Department, and other relevant offices, plays a crucial role in strengthening disaster preparedness and mitigation initiatives across the city;

WHEREAS, empowering communities to identify and maintain accessible emergency corridors can greatly enhance fire safety and disaster resilience in vulnerable residential areas.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to encourage, as it does hereby encourage, the establishment of community fire break corridors in high-risk residential areas in Quezon City to improve fire prevention, emergency access, and community disaster resilience.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Quezon City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Department (QCDRRMD), in coordination with the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), the City Engineering Department, the Department of Public Order and Safety (DPOS), and other concerned city offices, is encouraged to assist in identifying high-risk communities where emergency access routes or fire break corridors may be established or strengthened.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that these city offices are encouraged to support community initiatives aimed at clearing obstructions, maintaining accessible emergency pathways, and promoting fire prevention awareness in densely populated residential areas.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that barangays are encouraged to work with community leaders, homeowners, and local organizations in identifying possible fire break corridors within their jurisdictions and to support programs that promote safe and accessible pathways for emergency responders.

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RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that all Sangguniang Kabataan are encouraged to assist in community awareness activities, volunteer initiatives, and youth participation programs related to fire safety and disaster preparedness.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that civil society organizations, homeowners' associations, community groups, and non-governmental organizations are encouraged to collaborate with barangays and the city government in promoting community-based fire prevention and emergency preparedness initiatives.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that private sector partners, businesses, and property owners are encouraged, where applicable, to support efforts that improve emergency access routes, promote fire safety compliance, and contribute to building safer and more disaster-resilient communities within Quezon City.

ADOPTED: September 7, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was ADOPTED by the City Council on Second Reading on September 7, 2026 and was CONFIRMED on September 17, 2026.

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City Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
City Government Department Head III
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