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*RESOLUTION NO. SP-*10237*, S-2025*

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE SINCEREST CONGRATULATIONS OF THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT, THROUGH THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, THE CITY VICE MAYOR, HONORABLE GIAN G. SOTTO, AND THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE 23RD QUEZON CITY COUNCIL TO MS. MONA CELINE MARIE V. YAP, CITY GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT HEAD III OF THE SMALL BUSINESS COOPERATIVES DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTIONS OFFICE (SBCDPO) OF QUEZON CITY, FOR BEING SELECTED AS ONE OF THE 2025-2026 ASIA-PACIFIC LEADERS UNDER THE OBAMA FOUNDATION'S LEADERS PROGRAM

Introduced by Councilors ALY MEDALLA, JOSEPH P. JUICO, TANY JOE "TJ" L. CALALAY, CHARM FERRER, CPA, MPA, JD, NICOLE "Nikki" V. CRISOLOGO, CANDY A. MEDINA, ATTY. VOLTAIRE GODOFREDO "Bong" LIBAN III, DAVE C. VALMOCINA, GELEEN "Dok G" LUMBAD, ATTY. CHRISTOFFER ALLAN "Tope" LIQUIGAN, WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY, DON S. DE LEON, LUIGI D. PUMAREN, 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 and JHON ANGELLI "Sami" C. NERI

WHEREAS, Ms. Mona Celine Marie V. Yap has been serving the people of Quezon City as the City Government Department Head III of the Small Business Cooperatives Development and Promotions Office (SBCDPO), dedicating her leadership to empowering Micro-, Small, and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs), cooperatives, and local entrepreneurs;

WHEREAS, she currently leads Livelihood QC – Pangkabuhayang QC, a flagship City program that has successfully distributed over USD 10 million in capital assistance to more than 63,000 entrepreneurs, thereby broadening economic opportunities for Quezon City residents;

WHEREAS, under her stewardship, more than 1,000 local business owners have been trained in critical areas such as food safety, accounting, and marketing, significantly enhancing their capacity to sustain and grow their enterprises;

WHEREAS, Ms. Mona Celine Marie V. Yap's leadership extends beyond livelihood programs, as demonstrated by her role in leading discussions at the Quezon City International Business Conference in February 2025, where she emphasized the importance of public-private partnerships for sustainable growth;

WHEREAS, she has also championed the empowerment of women entrepreneurs in Quezon City through digital literacy initiatives, as highlighted by BusinessWorld Online in March 2025, ensuring that women-led enterprises are equipped to thrive in the digital economy;

WHEREAS, the Obama Foundation's Leaders Program is a flagship initiative of the Obama Foundation based in Chicago, Illinois, USA, designed to inspire, empower, and connect emerging leaders from across the globe, with a special regional focus through its Asia-Pacific Program that engages leaders from over 30 countries and territories in the region;

WHEREAS, in recognition of her achievements and leadership, Ms. Mona Celine Marie V. Yap has been selected as one of the 2025-2026 Asia-Pacific Leaders under the Obama Foundation's Leaders Program, a prestigious initiative that develops and connects emerging leaders committed to advancing the common good.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to extend, as it does hereby extend, the sincerest congratulations of the Quezon City Government, through the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, the City Vice Mayor, Honorable Gian G. Sotto, and the Honorable Members of the 23rd Quezon City Council to Ms. Mona Celine Marie V. Yap, City Government Department Head III of the Small Business Cooperatives Development and Promotions Office (SBCDPO) of Quezon City, for being selected as one of the 2025-2026 Asia-Pacific Leaders under the Obama Foundation's Leaders Program.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to Ms. Mona Celine Marie V. Yap for her information and record.

ADOPTED: September 24, 2025.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was ADOPTED by the City Council on Second Reading on September 24, 2025 and was CONFIRMED on October 1, 2025.

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)

