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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 10788 *, S-2026*

A RESOLUTION PROMOTING AND PRIORITIZING AN INTEGRATED LUNG HEALTH APPROACH IN QUEZON CITY, DIRECTING THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A QUEZON CITY INTEGRATED LUNG HEALTH ACTION PLAN AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR TO CONSTITUTE THE QUEZON CITY INTEGRATED LUNG HEALTH TASK FORCE

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WHEREAS, in May 2025, the Seventy-Eighth World Health Assembly adopted Resolution WHA78.5, entitled "Promoting and Prioritizing an Integrated Lung Health Approach," calling for coordinated action on communicable and noncommunicable lung diseases, including tuberculosis, pneumonia, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, and lung cancer, as well as their common environmental, behavioral, and occupational risk factors;

WHEREAS, lung diseases impose a substantial burden of illness, disability, hospitalization, and death, while conditions such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and lung cancer are frequently underdiagnosed or detected only at advanced stages, underscoring the need for prevention and early detection;

WHEREAS, communicable and noncommunicable lung diseases, together with occupational lung risks, require an integrated approach anchored on primary health care and effective referral pathways across the life course, encompassing prevention, early detection, timely diagnosis, evidence-based treatment, rehabilitation, palliative care, and patient navigation;

WHEREAS, particulate matter, tobacco and vapor products, occupational exposures, and respiratory infections pose direct risks to lung health, and the Quezon City Air Quality Management Plan identifies mobile sources as the primary contributor to air pollutants in the City, thereby requiring sustained monitoring, risk communication, and appropriate public-health interventions;

WHEREAS, Quezon City has demonstrated policy and program leadership through Ordinance No. SP-3285, S-2024, otherwise known as the Quezon City Integrated Cancer Control Ordinance, establishing the Quezon City Integrated Cancer Control Program, its expanded air-quality monitoring network, and the longstanding QC Sagip Baga tuberculosis program, which provide a strong foundation for an integrated lung-health agenda;

WHEREAS, the City maintains service platforms that may be bundled and strengthened, including health-center TB-DOTS services, immunization programs, smoke-free enforcement, air-quality initiatives, hospital referral networks, and PhilHealth YAKAP enrollment and primary-care facilitation;

WHEREAS, the protection of lung health requires a whole-of-city response and coordinated action among the health, environment, education, labor, hospital, barangay, private, academic, professional, patient, and community sectors;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11215, otherwise known as the National Integrated Cancer Control Act, institutionalizes an integrated and comprehensive approach to cancer prevention, screening, diagnosis, treatment, survivorship, rehabilitation, palliative care, and the strengthening of cancer-care systems and referral pathways;

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WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11223, otherwise known as the Universal Health Care Act, advances universal health coverage through an integrated and comprehensive health care model, stronger primary health care, health promotion, and coordinated service delivery systems;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11292, otherwise known as the Seal of Good Local Governance Act of 2019, recognizes health compliance and responsiveness as an essential area of local governance, including evidence-based health promotion, tobacco-control enforcement, immunization, access to primary health care and cancer-prevention programs, and local surveillance and epidemiology systems;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8749, otherwise known as the Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999, provides for an Integrated Air Quality Improvement Framework and contemplates the participation of local government units in air-quality planning, monitoring, public information, and pollution-control measures;

WHEREAS, DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2025-049 encourages local government units to strengthen the enforcement of laws regulating tobacco and vaporized products and to adopt complementary local measures consistent with national laws, standards, and the jurisdiction of concerned agencies;

WHEREAS, Resolution WHA78.5 urges the integration of comprehensive lung-health services into primary health care toward universal health coverage; the establishment of effective referral pathways; stronger action on air pollution, tobacco and vaping; appropriate vaccination and preventive services; evidence-based clinical guidance; workforce protection; stigma reduction; and reliable information systems for policy, surveillance, and program monitoring.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to promote and prioritize, as it does hereby promote and prioritize, an integrated lung health approach in Quezon City, directing the development and implementation of a Quezon City Integrated Lung Health Action Plan and authorizing the City Mayor to constitute the Quezon City Integrated Lung Health Task Force.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Mayor and the Quezon City Health Department, in coordination with concerned City offices and stakeholders, are respectfully urged to cause the development of a Quezon City Integrated Lung Health Action Plan and to consider constituting a Quezon City Integrated Lung Health Task Force to facilitate its coordination and implementation.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the City Mayor, the Quezon City Health Department, and other concerned offices and agencies for their information and consideration.

ADOPTED: October 26, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was ADOPTED by the City Council on Second Reading on October 26, 2026 and was CONFIRMED under Suspended Rules on the same date.

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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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