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RESOLUTION NO. SP-10556, S-2026

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE STRONG SUPPORT OF THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 8393, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN IN POLITICS ACT," FILED IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BY HONORABLE LEILA M. DE LIMA AND OTHER LAWMAKERS, AND URGING THE PHILIPPINE CONGRESS TO PRIORITIZE ITS PASSAGE IN ORDER TO PROTECT WOMEN FROM HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE IN POLITICAL AND PUBLIC LIFE

Introduced by Councilors DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D., AIKO MELENDEZ, CANDY A. MEDINA, and JHON ANGELLI "Sami" C. NERI

Co-Introduced by Councilors Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Bernard R. Herrera, Joseph P. Juico, Charm Ferrer, CPA, MPA, JD, Atty. Voltaire Godofredo "Bong" Liban III, Aly Medalla, Dave C. Valmocina, Ranulfo "Tatay Rannie" Z. Ludovica, Atty. Christoffer Allan "Tope" Liquigan, Albert Alvin "Chuckie" L. Antonio III, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, 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, 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, and Jose Maria "Mari" M. Rodriguez

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WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines recognizes the vital role of women in nation-building and ensures the fundamental equality before the law of women and men;

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WHEREAS, the Philippine Government has enacted landmark legislations such as Republic Act No. 9710 or the Magna Carta of Women, Republic Act No. 9262 or the Anti-Violence Against Women and Their Children Act of 2004, and Republic Act No. 11313 or the Safe Spaces Act, all of which seek to protect women from discrimination, harassment, and violence in various spheres of life;

WHEREAS, despite these legal protections, women who participate in politics and public leadership continue to experience harassment, intimidation, sexist attack, cyber-harassment, and other forms of gender-based violence intended to silence, discredit, or discourage them from public service;

WHEREAS, such acts of violence and harassment against women in politics weaken democratic institutions, discourage women from seeking public office, and undermine inclusive governance;

WHEREAS, recognizing this concern, House Bill No. 8393, entitled the "Violence Against Women in Politics Act," principally authored by Hon. Leila M. De Lima and several members of the House of Representatives, seeks to define, prohibit, and penalize acts of violence against women in politics and establish mechanisms to protect women participating in political processes;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government has consistently upheld policies promoting gender equality and women empowerment, and has recognized the importance of ensuring that women leaders are able to serve their constituents free from intimidation, harassment, or discrimination.

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. 8393, otherwise known as the "Violence Against Women in Politics Act," filed in the House of Representatives by Honorable Leila M. De Lima and other lawmakers, and urging the Philippine Congress to prioritize its passage in order to protect women from harassment, intimidation, and gender-based violence in political and public life.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that the Quezon City Government encourages national government agencies, local government units, civil society organizations, and the private sector to promote safe, respectful, and inclusive political spaces where women can participate fully in democratic processes.

RESOLVED, FINALLY, that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Senate of the Philippines, the House of Representatives, and the Office of Hon. Leila M. De Lima for their information and appropriate action.

ADOPTED: June 15, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was ADOPTED by the City Council on Second Reading on June 15, 2026 and was CONFIRMED on July 9, 2026.

MIKEY F. BELMONTE
Acting City Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

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City Government Department Head III
(Secretary to the Sanggunian)