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AN ORDINANCE DECLARING JANUARY 6 OF EVERY YEAR AS  
"TANDANG SORA DAY" IN QUEZON CITY, IN MEMORY OF  
THE REVOLUTIONARY HEROINE, MELCHORA AQUINO.

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Introduced by Councilor HERBERT M.  
BAUTISTA.

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and Roberto A. Miguel.

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WHEREAS, Melchora Aquino, popularly known as  
"Tandang Sora" and "Mother of the Philippine Revo-  
lution", was born to prosperous farmer parents Juan  
Aquino and Valentina de Aquino on January 6, 1812 in  
Barrio Banlat, Kalookan, Rizal (now Banlat, Quezon  
City);

WHEREAS, "Tandan Sora" had manifested extra-  
ordinary heroism during the Philippine Revolution by  
offering her modest nipa house in Banlat, Quezon City,  
to the sick and injured Katipuneros, at the expense  
of her own safety;

WHEREAS, the late heroine did not only offer  
her residence to the revolutionists but also extended  
assistance by feeding and nursing them;

WHEREAS, the Spanish Colonial Government had  
ordered her incarceration and deportation to Guam in  
1896 because of her open support and sympathy to the  
cause of the Revolution;

WHEREAS, because of old age and deteriorating  
health, "Tandang Sora", after living for six (6) long  
years in exile, died on March 2, 1919, at the age  
of one hundred seven (107);

WHEREAS, the Philippine Historical Committee  
(PHC), now the National Historical Institute (NHI)  
in giving due recognition to the heroism of "Tandang  
Sora", installed a historical marker in Banlat, Quezon  
in 1958;

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