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RESOLUTION NO. SP. 7133, S-2017

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LEGISLATIVE MEASURES DIRECTED AT A COMPREHENSIVE AND EQUITABLE SALARY INCREASE FOR IMMIGRATION OFFICERS, ADEQUATE FUNDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AND THE INCLUSION OF IMMIGRATION OFFICERS IN THE INCOME STANDARDIZATION FOR CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES.

Introduced by Councilor ALLAN BENEDICT S. REYES. Co-Introduced by Councilors Elizabeth A. Delarmente, Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Lena Marie P. Juico, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Oliviere T. Belmonte, Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ramon P. Medalla, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Estrella C. Valmocina, Roderick M. Paulate, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Kate Abigael G. Coseteng, Franz S. Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Marvin C. Rillo, Raquel S. Malangen, Irene R. Belmonte, lvy Xenia L. Lagman, Marra C. Suntay, Hero Clarence M. Bautista, Jose A. Visaya, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Julienne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Godofredo T. Liban II, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co-"Bobby" T. Castelo, Melencio Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Donato C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina and Ricardo B. Corpuz.

WHEREAS, the recent executive decision to veto the provision in the national budget allowing the use of the Express Lane fees, which were used to augment the salaries of our immigration officers for additional benefits such as overtime pay, resulted to insufficient staffing at our immigration counters;

WHEREAS, the plight of these immigration officers highlights the urgent need to make a comprehensive review and adjustment of their salary scale as the same has not been reviewed since 1988;

WHEREAS, Commonwealth Act No. 613 (The Philippine Immigration Act of 1940) is the only statute that generally provides for overtime payment of immigration employees and further legislative measures must be enacted to fill in the gaps of this law;

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WHEREAS, the Bureau of Immigration with its immigration officers remains indispensable in maintaining the integrity of our borders, eradicating transboundary criminal activities, and upholding the rule of law;

WHEREAS, our collective support and persistent effort to address this problem will ensure that the Philippines will continue to provide world class immigration services that promotes the country's status as a favored tourist destination and prime investment site in Southeast Asia.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to support, as it does hereby support the legislative measures directed at a comprehensive and equitable salary increase for immigration officers, adequate funding for the payment of any additional benefits such as overtime pay that may be due to them, and their inclusion in the income standardization for Civil Service Employees.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to let copies of this Resolution be furnished to all the offices concerned for their information, guidance, and reference.

ADOPTED: June 19, 2017.

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

Atty, JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on June 19, 2017 and was CONFIRMED on July 3, 2017.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. AIL FEROS III City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III