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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 9042, S-2022

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE 22ND CITY COUNCIL'S PROFOUND CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA "JOY" G. BELMONTE, FOR HER WELL-DESERVED CONFERMENT OF THE GABRIELA SILANG OF THE FIRST ORDER AWARD AND EXTOLLING THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT'S HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS TOWARDS AMELIORATING THE SUFFERINGS OF OUR FELLOW FILIPINOS IN DISASTER-STRICKEN LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS.

Introduced by Councilors ALFRED VARGAS, MPA and AIKO S. MELENDEZ.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Joseph P. Juico, Nikki V. Crisologo, Charm M. Ferrer, Fernando Miguel "Mikey" F. Belmonte, Candy A. Medina, Aly Medalla, Dave C. Valmocina, Tatay Rannie Z. Ludovica, Godofredo T. Liban II, Kate Galang-Coseteng, Geleen "Dok G" G. Lumbad, Albert Alvin "Chuckie" L. Antonio III, Don S. De Leon, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Atty. Anton L. Reyes, Edgar "Egay" G. Yap, Imee A. Rillo, Raquel S. Malañgen, Irene R. Belmonte, Nanette Castelo-Daza, Marra C. Suntay, Joseph Joe Visaya, Ram V. Medalla, Shaira "Shay" L. Liban, Mutya Castelo, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Kristine Alexia R. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Vito Sotto Generoso, Victor "Vic" Bernardo, Alfredo "Freddy" Roxas and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, immediately after a 7.0-magnitude earthquake that struck the province of Abra and contiguous areas in northern Luzon last July 2022, the Quezon City Government, at the initiative of Honorable Mayor Ma. Josefina "Joy" G. Belmonte, promptly extended humanitarian assistance to our fellow Filipinos who were affected by the calamity;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government, composed of teams from the Quezon City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (DRRMO), Social Services Development Department (SSDD), and City Health Department (CHD), conducted a building inspection and damage assessment in the affected areas, gave psychological support to the first responders and others impacted by the disaster, and gave out hot meals and camp management supplies to evacuees and displaced families of the earthquake;

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WHEREAS, in the aftermath of the disaster, Honorable Mayor Ma. Josefina “Joy” G. Belmonte affirmed the Quezon City’s readiness to provide mutual aid and assistance to victims of disasters in other localities, saying that “kami [...]sa Pamahalaang Lungsod Quezon ay handang mag-abot ng tulong sa mga probinsya at lungsod na higit na nangangailangan”;

WHEREAS, indeed, the efforts of Honorable Mayor Ma. Josefina “Joy” G. Belmonte have been broadly praised and lauded as an example of model leadership and compassionate governance, as these quick and resolute actions reflected the Filipino values of “bayanihan” and “damayan,” especially during times of hardship and suffering;

WHEREAS, in view of the humanitarian gesture, Honorable Mayor Ma. Josefina “Joy” G. Belmonte was conferred with the Gabriela Silang of the First Order Award—an honor of exceptional prestige that rightfully deserves the profound congratulations of the 22nd Sangguniang Panlungsod of Quezon City, as the same is likewise a recognition of the City’s selflessness and readiness to ameliorate the sufferings of fellow Filipinos during times of extreme hardship and suffering—no matter how far they may be;

WHEREAS, this honor also recognizes and concretizes our beloved Quezon City’s leadership role in disaster risk reduction and management among more than 1,600 local government units (LGUs) in the Philippines, especially with respect to the expertise and experience that its offices and public servants have gathered over the years and the city resources that are ready for immediate utilization and mobilization;

WHEREAS, this leadership role of the Quezon City Government among LGUs redounds to the benefit of the Filipino People as a whole and its recent actions in northern Luzon highlight Quezon City’s generous and active contribution to the betterment of the Filipino Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to express, as it does hereby express, the 22nd City Council’s profound congratulations to the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina “Joy” G. Belmonte, for her well-deserved conferment of the Gabriela Silang of the First Order Award and extolling the Quezon City Government’s humanitarian efforts towards ameliorating the sufferings of our fellow Filipinos in disaster-stricken local government units.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Council of Quezon City extols the Office of the City Mayor and the Quezon City Government’s efforts towards ameliorating the sufferings of our fellow Filipinos in disaster-stricken provinces, cities, and municipalities, supporting as it does actions like the quick initiatives undertaken by the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina “Joy” G. Belmonte, after the July 2022 northern Luzon earthquake.

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RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that the City Council of Quezon City praises the leadership and actions of the Quezon City DRRMO, through Honorable Secretary Ricardo T. Belmonte, Jr., the SSDD through Ms. Fe P. Macale, and the CHD through Dr. Esperanza Anita N. Escaño-Arias, and each and every one of the members of the teams that joined in the recent humanitarian efforts.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that an appropriate copy of this Resolution be given to the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina "Joy" G. Belmonte, the Quezon City DRRMO, the SSDD, the CHD, and the members of the humanitarian teams of the Quezon City Government that participated to provide humanitarian assistance to the affected areas of the June 2022 earthquake.

ADOPTED: September 12, 2022.



GIAN G. SOTTO
City Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Government Dept. Head III

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on September 12, 2022 and was CONFIRMED on September 19, 2022.


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
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