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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 2978 th, S-2005

A RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO EXPLORE ALTERNATIVE AND CREATIVE WAYS OF RAISING REVENUES IN ORDER TO CORRECT THE NATIONAL BUDGET DEFICIT.

Introduced by Councilors BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY, WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, AIKO MELENDEZ, VOLTAIRE GODOFREDO L. LIBAN III, ERIC Z. MEDINA, WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY, DANIE M. DE GUZMAN, JULIAN M.L. COSETENG, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR. and ALMA F. MONTILLA.

WHEREAS, the City recognized that the national government has been on a budget deficit for several years now due to several factors, among them the very onerous debt burden as well as the tax leaks found in our various tax and revenue laws;

WHEREAS, in order to raise additional revenues, the country's fiscal managers have proposed a two percent (2%) increase of the Value Added Tax (VAT) rate from ten percent (10%) to twelve (12%), a proposal which has already been acted favorably by the House of Representatives;

WHEREAS, cognizant of the end goal of plugging the budget deficit, various sectors have forwarded several proposals to put our fiscal house in order short of the outright increase in the VAT rate to twelve percent (12%);

WHEREAS, increasing the VAT rate without corresponding measure to cushion the impact thereof on the people, especially those from the lower tax brackets, will necessarily result in more hardship for the people and result in a less equitable and regressive form of taxation, which is against the rule enshrined in our Constitution.





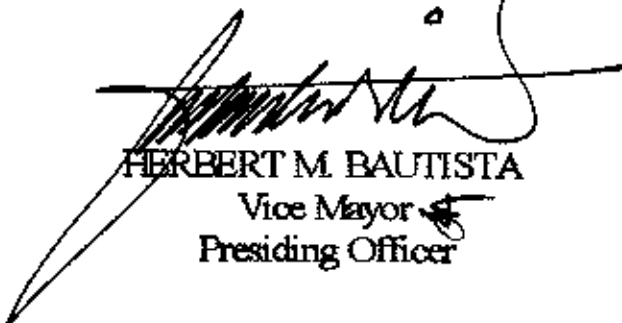
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NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge, the Senate and the House of Representatives to explore alternative and creative ways of raising revenues in order to correct the national budget deficit.

ADOPTED: June 7, 2005.



HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution which was APPROVED on Second Reading on June 7, 2005, was CONFIRMED by the City Council on the same date.


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Council Secretary