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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **3763**, S-2007
(PR2007-24)

RESOLUTION URGING BOTH THE PHILIPPINE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO REMOVE THE EXACTION OF FEES BY THE BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION AND DEPORTATION (BID) FROM INDIGENTS SEEKING ASSISTANCE TO PLACE CRIME SUSPECTS ON WATCHLIST ORDER.

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WHEREAS, the State declares it to protect, promote and improve the social and economic status of the people. Towards this end, the State shall adopt policies that will protect the rights of the people specially those who have less in life, and promote and improve their welfare;

WHEREAS, under the existing rules at the Bureau of Immigration and Deportation (BID), there is a policy that exacts the amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P2,500.00) to those people applying for a watchlist order at the BID;

WHEREAS, the said fee is used to facilitate the processing of papers necessary to place those suspects in crime even without a Court order on hold at any port in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, considering the situation of our less fortunate citizens, the exaction of said amount would be gargantuan to them as it is already difficult just to get by in their daily lives;

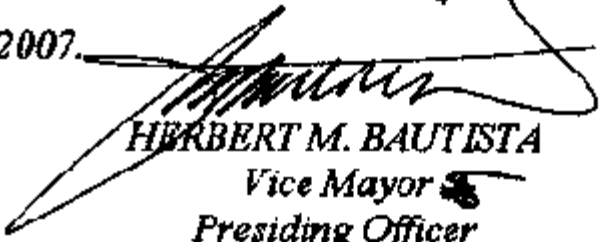
WHEREAS, in recognition of the plight of our less fortunate citizens, Congress must ensure that equality in law applies to all by removing the exaction of fees at the BID.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge, both the Philippine Senate and the House of Representatives to remove the exaction of fees by the Bureau of Immigration and Deportation (BID) from indigents seeking assistance to place crime suspects on watch list order.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Philippine Senate and House of Representatives.

ADOPTED: February 12, 2007.


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ATTESTED:


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED on Second Reading on February 12, 2007, was CONFIRMED by the City Council on February 19, 2007.


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
City Secretary