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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **5067**, S-2011

*A RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE HERBERT M. BAUTISTA, TO DIRECT THE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT THE SINGLE VISIT APPROACH STRATEGY ADAPTED BY THE CERVICAL CANCER PREVENTION NETWORK PROGRAM (CECAP) AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH) IN EACH BARANGAY CLINIC IN QUEZON CITY TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF CERVICAL CANCER AND PROVIDE MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR PATIENTS.*

*Introduced by Councilor JULIENNE ALYSON RAE V. MEDALLA.*

*Co-Introduced by Councilors Francisco A. Calalay, Jr., Dorothy A. Delarmente, Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Ricardo T. Belmonte, Jr., Joseph P. Juico, Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Alfredo D. Vargas III, Eden "Candy" A. Medina, Roderick M. Paulate, Godofredo T. Liban II, Julian ML. Coseteng, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Jaime F. Borres, Jose Mario Don S. De Leon, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Edcel B. Lagman, Jr., Jesus Manuel C. Suntay, Jessica Castelo Daza, Raquel S. Malañgen, Vincent DG. Belmonte, Marvin C. Rillo, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica and John Ansell R. De Guzman.*

*WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 provides that Local Government Units shall insure and support the promotion of health and safety, enhancing economic prosperity and convenience of its inhabitants;*

*WHEREAS, the human papillomavirus (HPV) is a common virus that infects men and women. According to experts, there are types of HPV that can cause mild changes in cervical cells that could lead to cervical cancer. According to statistics, 99.7% of the time, HPV is the primary cause for cervical cancer;*

*WHEREAS, cervical cancer occurs when the normal cells in the cervix changed into cancer cells. It is usually caused by a chronic and persistent cancer-causing type of Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) infection that leads to pre-malignant lesion and progress to cancer and there is greater chance to prevent the development of cervical cancer by early screening, detection and treatment;*

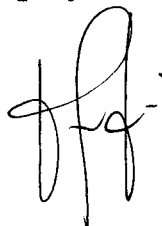
*WHEREAS, there are two ways to prevent this disease from developing, one is "prevention" through living a healthy lifestyle and vaccination and the other is through "screening" with emphasis on Single Visit Approach (SVA)";*

*WHEREAS, the fact sheet of the Alliance for Cervical Cancer Prevention notes in April 2007 that "studies have shown that the most efficient and effective strategy for secondary prevention of cervical cancer in low resource setting is to screen using HPV testing or VIA (Visual Inspection) using acetic acid, then treat pre-cancerous lesion using cryotherapy (freezing of the cervix using compressed carbon dioxide as coolant in order to destroy pre-cancer lesion discovered during VIA";*

*WHEREAS, in 2005, the Department of Health (DOH) issued Administrative Order No. 2005-006 dealing on the Cervical Cancer Screening using Acetic Acid Wash, which became the policy of the department to address the high incidence of cervical cancer in the country. The Department also collaborated with the Cervical Cancer Prevention (CECAP) Network Program, an alliance of organizations from both public and private sectors that include health professionals and other concerned non-government agencies that are committed in eliminating cervical cancer in the Philippines;*

*WHEREAS, the Single Visit Approach, adapted by the CECAP from John Hopkins Program for International Education in Gynecology and Obstetrics (JHPIEGO) which is an international health organization that is linked with the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland, is used by the Department of Health to diagnose and prevent cervical cancer among Filipino women. It includes the Visual Inspection with Acetic Acid, Cryotherapy as well as counseling;*

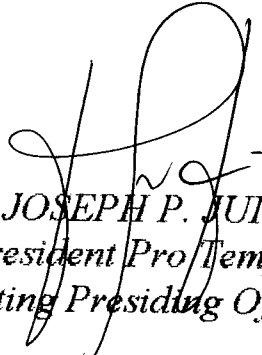
*WHEREAS, the Single Visit Approach will benefit Filipino women as it instantly produces result through screening using the Visual Inspection with Acetic Acid (VIA) that is linked to treatment using Cryotherapy. Moreover, it is cost-effective and easier to perform.*




NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge the City Mayor, Honorable Herbert M. Bautista to direct the City Health Department to adopt and implement the Single Visit Approach Strategy adapted by the Cervical Cancer Prevention Network Program (CECAP) and the Department of Health (DOH) in each Barangay Clinic in Quezon City to prevent the spread of cervical cancer and provide medical treatment for patients.

ADOPTED: January 31, 2011


  
JOSEPH P. JUICO  
President Pro Tempore  
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

  
DOROTHY D. LAGRADA, DPA  
City Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on January 31, 2011 and was CONFIRMED on February 7, 2011.

  
DOROTHY D. LAGRADA, DPA  
City Secretary 