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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **5787** S-2013

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING FILIPINO ARTIST JOEY VELASCO FOR HIS VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION THROUGH HIS INSPIRING WORKS OF ART AND HIS ASSISTANCE TO STREET CHILDREN.

Introduced by Councilor JULIENNE ALYSON RAE V. MEDALLA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Ricardo T. Belmonte, Jr., Dorothy A. Delarmente, Lena Marie P. Juico, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Roderick M. Paulate, Ramon P. Medalla, Estrella C. Valmocina, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Franz S. Punaren, Jose Marion Don S. De Leon, Jaime F. Borres, Marvin C. Rillo, Vincent DG. Belmonte, Raquel S. Malatigen, Jessica Castelo Daza, Bayani V. Hipol, Jose A. Visaya, Godofredo T. Liban II, Andres Jose G. Yllanz, Jr., Allan Butch T. Francisco, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Marivic Co-Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Donato C. Matias and Richard N. Yu.

WHEREAS, Joey Velasco, as a painter and sculptor, is one of the great social artists our country has ever produced. A Filipino visual artist who largely delves on religious and patriotic art;

WHEREAS, Joey Velasco is known to be a "heartist of hope," an artist who painted from his heart to give hope to the hopeless- particularly, the street children in our society;

WHEREAS, Mr. Velasco's works had made the rounds not only of the gallery circuit but also of universities, churches and various groups here and abroad "where they never fail to attract a crowd for their compelling themes bridging the celestial and terrestrial;"

WHEREAS, in 2005, Joey Velasco presented to the public his most notable piece – "Hapag ng Pag-asa" – a recasting of the "Last Supper," where Christ shares a meal with 12 street children discovered in an underprivileged areas of Metro Manila;

WHEREAS, in December 2007, with the help of Gawad Kalinga, the children featured in the Hapag ng Pag-Asa painting transferred into their new community at the Romeo Cabrera GK Village;

WHEREAS, in July 2010, the year of his death, Ms. Marie Queeny S. Velasco and several of Joey Velasco's close family and friends established the Joey Velasco Foundation (JVF), to give support to the Hapag Kids and their families as well as other families of Hapag Village. Likewise, the Foundation is closely monitoring the education of the children and their performances in school;

WHEREAS, the JVF wishes to build a museum "The Artesacra Center for Visual Arts Education" that will preserve and promote the life, work and advocacy of Joey Velasco and more importantly inspire and help children;

WHEREAS, Mr. Velasco has received numerous awards including the Catholic Mass Media Awards for Hapag ng Pag-asa (2006) and for Kambas ng Lipunan (2007);


WHEREAS, Joey Velasco is survived by his wife Queenie and his beloved children Marco, Chiara, Clarisse and Marti.

NOW, THEREFORE,

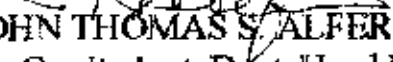
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to commend, as it does hereby commend the Filipino Artist Joey Velasco for his valuable contribution through his inspiring works of art and his assistance to street children.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be given to Mr. Joey Velasco's wife and children.

ADOPTED: November 18, 2013

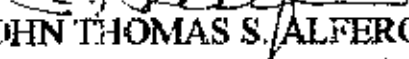

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

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 November 18, 2013 and was CONFIRMED on November 25, 2013.


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