

## Republic of the Philippines OUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 19<sup>th</sup> City Council

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RESOLUTION NO. SP. 6003 , 8-2014

A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING AND CONFERRING EXECUTIVE MINISTER EDUARDO VILLANUEVA MANALO OF THE IGLESIA NI CRISTO (INC) AS THE CENTENNIAL ECCLESIASTICAL LEADER

Introduced by Councilor ALLAN BUTCH T. FRANCISCO Co-Introduced by Councilors Frant S. Pumaren, Jesus Manuel C. Suntay, Godofredo T. Liban II, Alexis R. Herrera, Jessica Castelo Daza, Alian Benedict S. Reyes, Jaime F. Borres, Karl Edgar Castelo, Donato C. Matias, Bayum V. Hipol, Jose A. Visava, Alyson Raw V. Medalla, Andres Jose G. Yllanc, Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Ricardo T. Belmonie, Jr., Dorothy A. Delarments, Lena Marie P. Juico, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Precioushipolito-Castelo, Bong Liban III, Roderick M. Paulate, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Ramon P. Medalla, Estrello C. Valmocina, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Jose Mario Don S. De Leon, Marvin C. Rillo, Vincent DG. Belmonte. Raquel S. Maksigan, Candy A. Medina, Diorella Maria G. Sotto. Marivic Co-Pilar, Fogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Melancio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr. and Ricardo B. Corpus.

WHEREAS, the Iglesia Ni Cristo was first preached and established by the late Felix Y. Manalo in Punta, Sta. Ana, Manila on July 27, 1914. Brother Felix Manalo, as the first Executive Minister of the church started training ministers to assist him in the propagation of the Gospel. By 1918, ministers and volunteer preachers were sent to provinces and around Manila, and on its tenth year, the first ecclesiastical district was organized in Pampanga province;

WHEREAS, when Brother Eraho G. Manalo assumed overall administration in April, 1963, the church had established districts in more than half of all Philippine provinces. On July 27, 1968, he officiated first worship service of the church outside the Philippines held in Hopolulu, Hawaii which marked the establishment of the Honolulu congregation, the first overseas mission and the rest is history;

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WHEREAS, on May 7, 1994, Brother Eduardo Villamieva Manalo assumed his responsibility as Deputy Executive Minister. After being elected unanimously by the Church Executive Council, he was declared as the successor of the Office of the Executive Minister. He was entrusted with the task of registering INC officially in Rome, Italy, in Jerusalem, Israel and in Athens, Greece;

WHEREAS, four years (2009-2013), since Brother Eduardo V. Manalo assumed the office as the church's Executive Minister on September 7, 2009, INC has opened 171 local congregations, seven (7) new ecclesiastical districts in Northeast Asia, Southeast Asia, Eastern and Western Canada, Qurar, United Arab Emirates and United Kingdom;

WHEREAS, with the leadership of Brother Eduardo Y. Manalo, Iglesia Ni Cristo continued to grow at a phenomenal rate and spread to most parts of the world. Iglesia Ni Cristo, without doubt is now considered as the largest religious denomination that originated from the Philippines and is also the largest independent Christian Church in Asia;

WHEREAS, Brother Educado V. Manalo led his brethren in various spiritual endeavors across the globe. In his time, Iglesia Ni Cristo has not only inculcated spiritual and religious values to all its members and followers but has shown that its members are productive, responsible and service-oriented and has greatly contributed to our country by shaping its members to be responsible citizens with high regard to moral, ethical and spiritual values:

WHEREAS, Brother Eduardo V. Manalo has proven that the Filipino can reach great heights, that we can have achievements as lofty as any in the world when he initiated the construction of a 140-hectare multi-purpose complex that includes the Philippine Arena, one of the largest domest indoor arena in the world;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Arena is not only the centerpiece of the Iglesia Ni Cristo Centermial Anniversary, but is also gem of pride of the Filipino people and the entire nation, as well. Not only as a beacon of strong faith of God but also heralds the dawn of bright future for the country due to its world class characteristic;

WHEREAS, on the occasion of the 100<sup>th</sup>Year Celebration of Iglesia Ni Cristo and on the account of his accomplishments, Brother Eduardo V. Manalo stands not only as an example of hardwork and perseverance but also a model for social consciousness and nationalism.

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## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESCLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN hereby acknowledge and confer Executive Minister Eduardo Villanueva Manalo of the Iglesia Ni Cristo (INC) as the Centennial Ecclesiastical Leader.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to fignish copies of this Resolution the hierarchy of Iglesia Ni Cristo and other concerned for their information and appropriate action.

ADOPTED: July 21, 2014.

PETER IZ CRISOLOGO

Acting Vice Mayor
Acting 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 July 21, 2014 and was CONFIRMED on the same date under Suspended Rules.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S/ALFEROS III

/ City Gov't Asst. Dept. Head III