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QUEZON CITY COUNCIL
Quezon City
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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **7605**, S-2018

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT TO SENATE BILL NO. 1458 ENTITLED "AN ACT PROVIDING UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE FOR ALL FILIPINOS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7875, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACT OF 1995', AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10606 AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF."

Introduced by Councilor MARIVIC CO-PILAR.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Lena Marie P. Juico, Elizabeth A. Delarmente, Oliviere T. Belmonte, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ramon P. Medalla, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Estrella C. Valmocina, Roderick M. Paulate, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Kate Abigail G. Coseteng, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Marvin C. Rillo, Raquel S. Malañgen, Irene R. Belmonte, Marra C. Suntay, Hero Clarence M. Bautista, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Julianne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Godofredo T. Liban II, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Donato C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina and Alfredo S. Roxas.

WHEREAS, Section 11, Article XIII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that:

"The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, women, and children. The State shall endeavor to provide free medical care to the pauper." ✕

WHEREAS, in view of this constitutional mandate, Congress passed and approved House Bill No. 5784 on September 6, 2017, and a counterpart Senate Bill No. 1458 was pending before the Senate which was filed by Senator Joseph Victor G. Ejercito;

WHEREAS, on his third State of the Nation Address (SONA) President Rodrigo Roa Duterte urges speedy passage of the aforesaid bill pending before the Senate;

WHEREAS, Studies show that our health spending per capita may be rising much faster (5.0 percent) than the growth of real GDP per capita (2.4 percent)², yet our life expectancy and infant mortality rates continue to lag behind our ASEAN neighbors. If almost 30% of the population are still deemed poor and marginalized, this translates to more than 30 million Filipinos who continue to live at risk with limited access to quality healthcare.

WHEREAS, Children continue to die needlessly from malnutrition and other preventable diseases even before they reach their puberty. Poor senior citizens/ silently succumb to their deaths without proper diagnosis and care from competent doctors. Persons with Disability (PWDs) wither their dreams and potentials away due to lack of health care support. Patients suffering from debilitating illnesses such as cancer; chronic kidney disease; heart ailments among others, lose all hope as they accept death as an option to spare their financially burdened loved ones from undue suffering.

WHEREAS, this bill will make it possible for every Filipino to enjoy the benefits of a Universal Health Care, where preventive, curative and rehabilitative health services are guaranteed to everyone. It will unburden poor families from financial difficulties when paying for these services. It will improve our people's health seeking behavior and guarantee affordable medical attention for everyone at home, at work, in school or anywhere in the country as government agencies. Local Government Units and the private sector create more cooperation and synergy to fund and improve basic health care service delivery in government and private hospitals down to the health centers at community level.

WHEREAS, in the event that Senate Bill No. 1458 enacted into law, it will preserve life and health as an inalienable right of every Filipino. ✕

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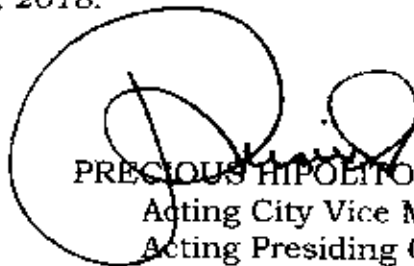
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NOW, THEREFORE,

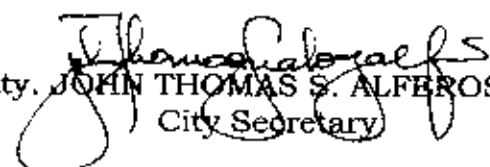
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to express, as it does hereby express support to Senate Bill No. 1458 entitled "An Act Providing Universal Health Care for All Filipinos, Amending for the Purpose Republic Act No. 7875, otherwise known as the 'National Health Insurance Act of 1995', as amended by Republic Act No. 10606 and Appropriating Funds Thereof."

ADOPTED: September 24, 2018.



PRECIOUS HIPOLITO CASTELO
Acting City Vice Mayor
Acting Presiding Officer

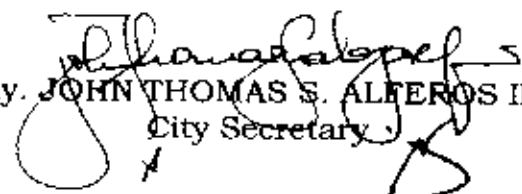
ATTESTED:



Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on September 24, 2018 and was CONFIRMED on October 8, 2018.



Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Secretary