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**QUEZON CITY COUNCIL**  
Quezon City  
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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **7615**, S-2018

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE MOTHER-BABY FRIENDLY HOSPITAL INITIATIVE (MBFHI) IN ALL HOSPITAL FACILITIES, BIRTHING HOMES AND INFIRMARIES RENDERING MATERNITY AND NEW-BORN CARE SERVICES IN QUEZON CITY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

*Introduced by Councilor DIORELLA MARIA G. SOTTO.*

*Co-Introduced by Councilors Juliennne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Lena Marie P. Juico, Elizabeth A. Delarmente, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Oliviere T. Belmonte, Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ramon P. Medalla, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Estrella C. Valmocina, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Kate Abigail G. Coseteng, Jose Mario Don S. De Leon, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Marvin C. Rillo, Raquel S. Malañgen, Irene R. Belmonte, Ivy Xenia L. Lagman, Marra C. Suntay, Hero Clarencē M. Bautista, Jose A. Visaya, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Godofredo T. Liban II, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co-Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Donato C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Alfredo S. Roxas and Noe Lorenzo B. Dela Fuente III.*

*WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) and United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) experts on child health estimate that 19% of under-five (5) year-old deaths in the Philippines can be traced to inappropriate feeding practices. Furthermore, an infant who is not breastfed is twenty-five (25) times more likely to die from Pneumonia than an exclusively breastfed child;*

*WHEREAS, every woman has the right to a positive birth experience and to compassionate care from knowledgeable and skilled providers. Additionally, every woman and newly born baby must be protected from unnecessary interventions, practices, and procedures that are not evidence-based and are not respectful of their culture, bodily integrity, and dignity;*

*WHEREAS, professional associations and facilities must provide the best evidence-based quality of care while upholding each woman's inviolable right to dignity, privacy, information, supportive care and choice*

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of birthing companion(s) - free from abuse, financial extortion, and differential care based in age, marital status, HIV status, financial status, ethnicity, or other factors;

WHEREAS, hospitals must establish linkage with the primary health care facilities and breastfeeding support groups to sustain the practice and ensure an enabling environment for optimal feeding practices;


WHEREAS, the Mother-Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative (MBFHI) aims to facilitate and protect breastfeeding in private and public hospitals and help mothers and their newborns start with breastfeeding soon after birth;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) issued Administrative Order No. 2007-0026 to guide health workers in revitalizing and sustaining mother-baby friendly hospitals.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to adopt, as it does hereby adopt the Mother-Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative (MBFHI) in all Hospital Facilities, Birthing Homes and Infirmaries rendering Maternity and New-born Care Services in Quezon City and for other purposes.

ADOPTED: September 17, 2018.

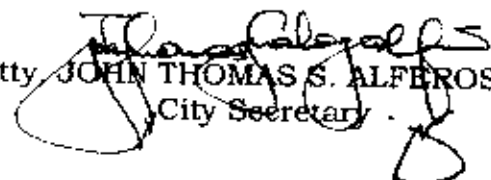
  
MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE  
City Vice Mayor  
Presiding Officer

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 17, 2018, was reverted back to Second Reading on October 1, 2018 and was CONFIRMED on October 8, 2018.

  
Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III  
City Secretary