

## Republic of the Philippines QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 22<sup>nd</sup> City Council

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ORDINANCE NO. SP- 3194 , S-2023

AN ORDINANCE GIVING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, THE GENERAL AUTHORITY TO SIGN ALL MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT OR UNDERSTANDING AND SIMILAR AGREEMENTS THAT DO NOT INVOLVE ANY SALE, PURCHASE OR DISPOSAL OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTIES NOR INVOLVE ANY DISBURSEMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS NOR BIND THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT INTO ANY MONETARY OBLIGATION

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Introduced by Councilors DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D.,

WHEREAS, Section 16 or the General Welfare Clause of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, states that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

WHEREAS, Section 455(b)(1)(vi) of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that, for efficient and economical governance the purpose of which is the general welfare of the city and its inhabitants, the City Mayor shall represent the City in all its business transactions and sign in its behalf all bonds, contracts and obligations, and such other documents upon authority of the Sangguniang Panlungsod or pursuant to law or ordinance;

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WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government has various transactions with companies, institutions and organizations that require the signature of the City Mayor in behalf of the City Government;

WHEREAS, several of these transactions are memoranda of agreement or understanding or similar agreements that do not involve the sale, purchase, or disposal of public properties nor involve disbursement of public funds nor bind the Quezon City Government into any monetary obligations;

WHEREAS, in all these instances, the Office of the City Mayor or the executive department concerned would always secure appropriate legislation from the City Council authorizing the City Mayor to sign these agreements in behalf of the Quezon City Government;

WHEREAS, the legislative process for such request would usually take at least three (3) weeks, causing delay in the signing and execution of the memoranda of agreement or understanding or similar agreements;

WHEREAS, there is a need to simplify the process of requesting for legislative authority for memoranda or similar agreements that do not involve any government properties or public funds and do not impose any monetary obligations to the local government;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the 22<sup>nd</sup> City Council to enact this Ordinance giving general authority to the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, to sign memoranda of agreement and understanding and similar agreements for exigency and the promotion of public good.

## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. GENERAL AUTHORITY. - The City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, is hereby authorized to sign all memoranda of agreement or understanding and all similar agreements, provided that they: do not involve the sale, purchase or disposal of government properties; do not involve the disbursement of public funds; and do not bind the Quezon City Government into any monetary obligations.

SECTION 2. OFFICIAL REPOSITORY. - The Office of the Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod shall serve as the official repository of all final and duly notarized memoranda of agreement and understanding signed by the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, in relation to this Ordinance.

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SECTION 3. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DEPARTMENT CONCERNED. - Within one (1) month from the signing of the subject memorandum of agreement or understanding, the department concerned shall submit a copy to the Office of the Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

SECTION 4. DISSEMINATION OF THIS ORDINANCE. - A copy of this Ordinance shall be disseminated to all departments under the Quezon City Government upon effectivity thereof.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its enactment and shall continue to do so while the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, remains in office. It shall be automatically revoked upon the change of leadership in the Office of the City Mayor.

ENACTED: June 26, 2023.

GIAN G. SOTTO City Vice Mayor Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
City Government Department Head III
(City Council Secretary)

APPROVED: <u>JUL 2 0 2023</u>

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE City Mayor

## **CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on June 26, 2023 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading under Suspended Rules on the same date.

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