

## Republika ng Pilipinas Lungsod Quezon SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD (City Council)

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 4080 , S-1999

A RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON CONSTITUTIONAL REFORMS (PCCR) TO CONSIDER IN THE CHARTER CHANGE/CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, THE HOLDING OF SYNCHRONIZED ELECTIONS FOR THE LOCAL BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN OFFICIALS IN THE SOONEST POSSIBLE TIME.

Introduced by Councilor ALMA F. MONTILLA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Wilma Amoranto-Sarino, Elizabeth
A. Delarmente, Rommel R. Abesamis, Godofredo T.
Liban II, Marciano P. Medalla, Eric Z. Medina, Jorge L.
Banal, Fernando V. Avanzado, Nanette Castelo Daza,
Jesus C. Suntay, Marcel C. Rillo, Bayani V. Hipol and
Almario E. Francisco.S

WHEREAS, local officials elected on the second Monday of May 1998, shall serve until the end of June 30, 2001, thereby requiring an election on the second Monday of May 2001;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8524, provides for the extension of terms of both Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan officials from three (3) to five (5) years, resulting in the holding of another election on the second Monday of May 2002;

WHEREAS, President Joseph Estrada intends to push through with the constitutional amendments in mid-1999;

WHEREAS, among other things, the synchronization of elections for local, barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials may be deliberated upon in the proposed charter change taking into consideration the time, budget and effort being exerted in this kind of political exercises;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Elections has to spend more than One (1) Billion Pesos for every election which includes overtime pay of personnel and the procurement of materials such as ballot boxes, printed ballots, indelible inks, ballpens and thumb print pads that are indispensable in the preparation and holding of election exercises, and the counting and tabulation of ballots;

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WHEREAS, the economic setback being experienced by our country at the moment and the uncertainties of bouncing back to economic stability are enough reasons to think of practical ways that will not deplete our scarce financial resources without sacrificing our firm belief to democracy;

## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby strongly urge, the Presidential Commission on Constitutional Reforms (PCCR) to consider in the charter change/constitutional amendments the holding of synchronized elections for the local barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials in the soonest possible time.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that the Honorable Chairperson be furnished with a copy of this Resolution for her consideration and appropriate action.

ADOPTED: February 2, 1999.

CONNIE S. ANGELES
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

EUGENIO V. JURILLA City Council Secretary

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