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RESOLUTION NO. SP-4595, §-2009

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE DEEP CONDOLENCES OF THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE FELICIANO R. BELMONTE, JR., CITY VICE MAYOR, HONORABLE HERBERT M. BAUTISTA AND THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE FORMER PRESIDENT CORAZON C. AQUINO WHO PASSED AWAY LAST 01 AUGUST 2009.

Introduced by Councilors JOSEPH P. JUICO, FRANCISCO A. CALALAY, JR., BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY, DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, VICTOR V. FERRER, JR., RICARDO T. BELMONTE, JR., WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, RAMON P. MEDALLA, ALLAN BUTCH T. FRANCISCO, VOLTAIRE GODOFREDO L. LIBAN III, EDEN "Candy" A. MEDINA, AIKO S. MELENDEZ, JORGE B. BANAL, JR., FRANZ S. PUMAREN, WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY, DANTE M. DE GUZMAN, DIORELLA MARIA G. SOTTO, JAIME F. BORRES, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR., JESUS MANUEL C. SUNTAY, JANET M. MALAYA, EDCEL B. LAGMAN, JR., VINCENT DG. BELMONTE, BAYANI V. HIPOL, CONCEPCION S. MALAÑGEN and ALEXIS GRACE R. MATIAS.

WHEREAS, Maria Corazon "Cory" Cojuangco Aquino was born on 25 January 1933 and wife of Senator Benigno Aquino, Jr. a leading figure in the political opposition during the tumultuous period of the seventies;

WHEREAS, after her husband was assassinated upon his return from exile in the United States on August 21, 1983, President Aquino, who had no prior political experience, became a focal point and unifying force of the opposition;

WHEREAS, President Corazon C. Aquino was the first woman president of the Philippines and was Asia's first female president who served from 1986 to 1992 after her bloodless "People Power" revolution swept her into office and made her a global symbol for peace and democracy;

WHEREAS, the relatively peaceful manner by which Aquino assumed the presidency through the EDSA Revolution won her widespread international acclaim as an icon of democracy. She was selected as Time Magazine's Woman of the Year in 1986. She was also nominated to receive the Nobel Peace Prize but lost to Elie Wiesel also in 1986. In September 1986, Aquino delivered a speech before a joint session of the United States Congress which was interrupted by applauded several times, and which then U.S. House Speaker Tip O'Neill hailed as "the finest speech I've ever heard in my 34 years in Congress." Above the din of cheering officials,

Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole said to Mrs. Aquino, "Cory, you hit a home run." Without missing a beat, Aquino smiled and shot back: "I hope the bases were loaded;

WHEREAS, Cory Aquino helped lead a revolution that restored democracy and the rule of law to our nation at a time of great peril;

WHEREAS, in early 2008, she announced she had colon cancer and was undergoing treatment and died at age of 76 on 01 August 2009 at the Makati Medical Center;

WHEREAS, her courage, determination, and moral leadership is an inspiration to the Filipinos and the countries around the globe and exemplify the best in the Filipino nation.

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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, the deep condolences of the City Mayor, Honorable Feliciano R. Belmonte, Jr., City Vice Mayor, Honorable Herbert M. Bautista, and the Honorable Members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod to the family of the late former President Corazon C. Aquino who passed away last 01 August 2009.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to furnish the Aquino family, a copy of this Resolution in a scroll form.

ADOPTED: August 3, 2009.


HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
Vice-Mayor &
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
Asst. City Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on August 3, 2009 and was CONFIRMED under Suspended Rules on the same date.


JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
Asst. City Secretary