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RESOLUTION NO. SP-**4731**S-2009

**A RESOLUTION PROMOTING AND EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR
"GENERICIS AWARENESS MONTH" IN SEPTEMBER AND EVERY YEAR
THEREOF.**

Introduced by Councilors JOSEPH P. JUICO, BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY, DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, VICTOR V. FERRER, JR., WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, ALLAN BUTCH T. FRANCISCO, VOLTAIRE GODOFREDO L. LIBAN III, JORGE B. BANAL, JR., FRANZ S. PUMAREN, JAIME F. BORRES, ANTONIO E. INTON, JR., JESUS MANUEL C. SUNTAY, EDCEL B. LAGMAN, JR., VINCENT DG. BELMONTE, RESTITUTO B. MALAÑGEN and CONCEPCION S. MALAÑGEN.

Co-Introduced by Councilor Diorella Maria G. Sotto.

WHEREAS, generic medicines are vital and viable alternatives to branded medicines because patients benefit from generic drugs due to their lower cost in production and hence, affordability, while being medically safe and reliable for their needs;

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 6675 or the Generics Act of 1988, it is the policy of the state: "To promote, encourage and require the use of generic terminology in the importation, manufacture, distribution, marketing, advertising and promotion, prescription and dispensing of drugs";

WHEREAS, it is also the policy of the state to ensure the adequate supply of drugs with generic names at the lowest possible cost and endeavor to make them available for free to indigent patients;

WHEREAS, under Section 11 of the said Act, in conjunction with the Department of Health (DOH), Department of Education and the Public Information Agency (PIA), the Department of the Interior and Local Government shall conduct a continuous information campaign for the public and continuing education and training for the medical and allied medical

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professions on drugs with generic names as an alternative of equal efficacy to the more expensive brand name drugs. Such educational campaign shall include information on the illnesses or symptoms which each generically named drug is supposed to cure or alleviate, as well as its contraindications;

WHEREAS, the celebration of Generics Awareness Month in September highlights the need to promote the importance of information and availability of generic medicines in order to reduce health care costs especially for the poor, and to save lives.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to promote and support, as it does hereby promote and support "Generics Awareness Month" in September and every year thereof.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that copies of this Resolution be furnished the City Health Department, Department of Health, Department of the Interior and Local Government, Public Affairs and Information Services Office, and other concerned organizations for their information.

ADOPTED: October 19, 2009.

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RESTITUTO B. MALAÑGEN
City Councilor
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

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DOROTHY D. LAGRADA, DPA
City Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on October 19, 2009 and was CONFIRMED on October 26, 2009.

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DOROTHY D. LAGRADA, DPA
City Secretary