

Republic of the Philippines QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 19th City Council

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 6139 , S-2014

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES TO DECLARE THE TANDANG SORA NATIONAL SHRINE IN BANLAT ROAD, QUEZON CITY AS A TOURIST SPOT AND DESTINATION IN METRO MANILA.

Introduced by Councilor MELENCIO "Bobby" T. CASTELO, JR. Co-Introduced by Councilors Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Candy A. Medina, Marivic Co-Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Donato C. Matias, Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Dorothy A. Delarmente, Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Ramon P. Medalla, Estrella C. Valmocina, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Jesus Manuel C. Suntay, Vincent DG. Belmonte, Bayani V. Hipol, Julienne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Godofredo T. Liban II, Andres Jose G. Yllana, Jr., Allan Butch T. Francisco and Karl Edgar C. Castelo.

WHEREAS, despite her old age, Melchora Aquino, better known as Tandang Sora, opened her doors to the Katipuneros during the revolution. She kept the spirit and determination of the Katipuneros high by providing them with food, clothing, and shelter;

WHEREAS, on August 24, 1896, Tandang Sora was charged with aiding the Katipunan. She was arrested by the Spanish Guardia Civil on August 29, 1896, and was incarcerated in the Bilibid Prison. The Spanish authorities then exiled her to Guam, where she stayed for seven years;

WHEREAS, on February 26, 1903, Tandang Sora returned in the Philippines at the age of 91. She died on March 12, 1919 at the age of 107;

WHEREAS, in honor of her heroism a Tandang Sora Shrine was built in the site of her home in Banlat Road, Quezon City where her remains were transferred from Himlayang Pilipino; Res. No. SP- 6139 , S-2014 Page -2- PR19CC-379

WHEREAS, the Tandang Sora Shrine has 107 in diameters, which represents her age when she passed away. It has a pavilion and stage for historical events and gatherings. The shrine has a mini museum containing old photos of Tandang Sora, a family tree, pictures of the 3rd and 4th generation, coins and bills containing the face of Melchora Aquino;

WHEREAS, the Tandang Sora Shrine in Quezon City has been declared a National Shrine by virtue of a resolution of the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP).

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to request, as it does hereby request the Congress of the Philippines to declare the Tandang Sora National Shrine in Banlat Road, Quezon City as a tourist spot and destination in Metro Manila.

ADOPTED: September 23, 2014.

ANTHUM PETER D. CAROLO
Acting Vice Mayor
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on September 23, 2014 and was CONFIRMED on September 29, 2014.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III

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