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**QUEZON CITY COUNCIL**

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **6163** , S-2014

A RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDING TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR HERBERT M. BAUTISTA THE PROCUREMENT OF "EMERGENCY GO BAG" TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE MOST DISASTER RISK-PRONE AREAS AS PART OF THE CITY'S PRO-ACTIVE MEASURE IN MITIGATING THE PROJECTED DISASTROUS EFFECTS IN CASE OF A MAJOR EARTHQUAKE - PARTICULARLY THOSE LIVING IN AREAS ALONG THE "WEST MARIKINA VALLEY FAULT"- AS WELL AS THOSE LIVING NEAR WATERWAYS WHO ARE PERENNIAL VICTIMS OF MASSIVE FLOODING DURING TYPHOONS/STORMS AND HEAVY DOWNPOUR CAUSED BY THE SOUTHWEST MONSOON (HABAGAT).

*Introduced by Councilor DONATO C. MATIAS.*

*Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Dorothy A. Delarmente, Lena Marie P. Juico, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Roderick M. Paulate, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Ramon P. Medalla, Estrella C. Valmocina, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Jose Mario Don S. De Leon, Jaime F. Borres, Jesus Manuel C. Suntay, Marvin C. Rillo, Vincent DG. Belmonte, Raquel S. Malañgen, Jose A. Visaya, Godofredo T. Liban II, Andres Jose G. Yllana, Jr., Allan Butch T. Francisco, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Candy A. Medina, Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Marivic Co-Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr. and Ricardo B. Corpuz.*

WHEREAS, according to the 2004 Metro Manila Earthquake Impact Reduction Study (MMEIRS), the West Valley Fault System (formerly Marikina Valley Fault) is entering its active phases which may result in a major earthquake of at least magnitude 7; and Quezon City was highlighted therein as one of the most at-risks LGUs in Metro Manila;

*WHEREAS, last June 25, 2014, an earthquake struck a large part of Metro Manila and nearby provinces with magnitude ranging from 3.7 to 5.8 in the Richter scale which may be an ominous sign of a stronger and more destructive tremor in the future;*

*WHEREAS, even as we recognize the giant strides undertaken by the Quezon City government in institutionalizing disaster preparedness, management, and mitigation, it cannot be gainsaid that if a major earthquake were to hit Metro Manila today, the devastation would be so catastrophic that even disaster response authorities would not be able to adequately cope. In fact, the seismic intensity generated by the West Valley Fault earthquake of intensity 7 in Quezon City is deemed to be very destructive;*

*WHEREAS, since the occurrence of earthquake cannot be projected / prevented, the best response towards mitigating its cataclysmic effect is for the most vulnerable residents to be equipped with the proper survival kit in the form of "Emergency Go Bag" containing the following: flashlight, battery, whistle, flexible rope, food (like crackers), water, hygienic items, among other vital needs;*

*WHEREAS, aside from the potential disastrous aftermath of a major earthquake, this "emergency go bag" can likewise be an effective response to such other emergencies or potential disasters like major flooding particularly for our constituents living near waterways and low-lying areas. This project will further complement the disaster-preparedness trainings being conducted in different Barangays by the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office;*

*WHEREAS, as the country observes "Disaster Awareness Month" this July, this Resolution fittingly inculcates to our people's consciousness the concept of being "Laging Handa", as well as the truism that "an ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure".*

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NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to recommend, as it does hereby recommend to the Honorable Mayor Herbert M. Bautista the procurement of "Emergency Go Bag" to be distributed to residents of the most disaster risk-prone areas as part of the city's pro-active measure in mitigating the projected disastrous effects of in case of a major earthquake - particularly those living in areas along the "West Marikina Valley Fault" - as well as those living near waterways who are perennially victims of massive flooding during typhoons/storms and heavy downpour caused by the Southwest Monsoon (Habagat).

ADOPTED: October 20, 2014.


  
MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE  
Vice Mayor  
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 October 20, 2014 and was CONFIRMED on October 27, 2014.

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