

Republic of the Philippines OUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 19th City Council

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56th Regular Session

RESOLUTION NO. SP- 6300 , S-2015

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS AND COMMENDATION OF THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE HERBERT M. BAUTISTA, THE CITY VICE MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, AND THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE QUEZON CITY COUNCIL TO ATTY. AL A. PARREÑO FOR BEING APPOINTED AS COMMISSIONER OF THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS (COMELEC).

Introduced by Councilor RAMON P. MEDALLA.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Dorothy A. Delarmente, Lena Marie P. Juico, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Alexis R. Herrera, Precious HipolitoCastelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Roderick M. Paulate, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, 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, Jessica CasteloDaza, Bayani V. Hipol, Jose A. Visaya, Julienne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, 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., Donato C. Matias and Ricardo B. Corpuz.

WHEREAS, Al Acong Parreño is a lawyer and project manager, who specializes in legal technology projects involving Information Technology (II), intellectual property and cyberlaw, among others;

WHEREAS, Atty. Parreño was born, grew up and studied all his life in Quezon City. He grew up in one of the informal settlement area in Barangay Malaya, District IV, Quezon City, until their house was demolished in 1984. Atty. Parreño and his two older sisters were given support by church members and were able to transfer to a government housing program in Sikatuna Bliss until his law school;

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WHEREAS, Atty. Parreño received his early education from Baptist Schools in Quezon City. He was supported by his two sisters who are school teachers. After his primary education, he was admitted to the Business Administration program of the University of the Philippines-Diliman, where he enjoyed the full benefits of being an Iskolar ng Bayan through a grant from the Socialized Tuition Fee Assistance Program (STFAP), and after three years of corporate work as brand management and marketing office at Purefoods-San Miguel, Atty. Al entered the U.P. College of Law, again through a scholarship from the college. He graduated as one of the top 10 of his U.P Law batch and was conferred the Order of the Purple Feather and the Dean's Medal for Academic Excellence;

WHEREAS, as a lawyer, he focused on new and emerging fields, specifically legal technology. Atty. Parreño worked for ePLDT and then SPi Technologies. Atty. Parreño pioneered the field of electronic data discovery and evidence review in the Philippines. He established a legal protocol and case trial framework aimed at decongesting court dockets and reducing trial duration. He also launched an online legal library of human rights cases;

WHEREAS, Atty. Parreño also worked as a consultant for the Asia Foundation and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). As an editor of the prestigious Philippine Law Journal, Commissioner Parreño co-authored an award-winning paper on freedom in the Internet. He also authored a USAID and the Asia Foundation sponsored book on human rights and the use of better processes to improve Philippine criminal law. His work has been published locally and internationally, and quoted by numerous experts on the field;

WHEREAS, prior to his appointment as new Commissioner of the Commission on Elections for a term expiring on February 2, 2020 by President Benigno Aquino III, Commissioner Parreño served as a Board Member of the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board;

WHEREAS, his appointment as a Commissioner of the COMELEC, will expedite Comelec processes specially in the field of Information Technology (IT), which the Commission needed most;

WHEREAS, Commissioner Al A. Parreño truly deserves the distinct honor as a true Quezon City pride, and worthy of emulation and inspiration to others.

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NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to extend, as it does hereby extend the sincere Congratulations and Commendation of the City Mayor, Honorable Herbert M. Bautista, the City Vice Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte and the Honorable Members of the Quezon City Council to Atty. Al A. Parreño for being appointed as Commissioner of the Commission on Elections (COMELEC).

ADOPTED: March 16, 2015.

ANTHERY PETER D. CRISOLOGO

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 March 16, 2015 and was CONFIRMED on March 23, 2015.

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