

## Republic of the Philippines OUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 19<sup>th</sup> City Council

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 6399 , S-2015

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING A TRIPARTITE AGREEMENT BY THE CITY GOVERNMENT WITH LOCAL TELECOMMUNICATION COMPANIES AND A SOFTWARE DEVELOPER TO PROVIDE A PREGNANCY HEALTH ADVICE SERVICE.

Introduced by Councilor JULIENNE ALYSON RAE V. MEDALLA.
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WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) Metro Manila's maternal death report for 2013 recorded 53 deaths, with Quezon City having the most with 23 deaths:

WHEREAS, in the same year, there were 417 neonatal deaths, 613 infant mortality cases, and 768 child deaths "under five" in Metro Manila; 121 neonatal deaths, 122 infant mortality cases and 122 child deaths "under five" in Quezon City, respectively;

WHEREAS, reducing child mortality and improving maternal health are two of the eight (8) Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) - a set of time-bound, concrete and specific development goals that 189 leaders worldwide committed to achieve by 2015;

WHEREAS, this measure aims to encourage the development and deployment of a pregnancy health advice service via Short Message Service (SMS);

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WHEREAS, the proposed mobile phone-based service allows City Health Midwives to upload into an application mobile numbers of women who opt to receive pregnancy health care advices;

WHEREAS, based on a set schedule, preset SMS health advices and reminders will be sent to opt-in users. Recipients will receive messages based on their pregnancy period;

WHEREAS, with well-informed and healthy pregnant women the instances of maternal, neonatal, and infant death cases may be reduced if not eliminated.

## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to recommend, as it does hereby recommend, a tripartite agreement by the City Government with local telecommunication companies and a software developer to provide pregnancy health advice service via Short Messaging Service (SMS).

ADOPTED: June 1, 2015.

MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
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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 June 1, 2015 and was CONFIRMED on June 8, 2015.

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