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Quezon City 19th City Council

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 6419 , S-2015

A RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY GOVERNMENT TO CONDUCT A FORUM ON THE ASEAN INTEGRATION WITH ALL SCHOOLS THAT OFFER LANGUAGE COURSES WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors JULIENNÉ ALYSON RAE V. MEDALLA, ALLAN BENEDICT S. REYES, and JAIME F. BORRES.

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, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Jose Mario Don S. De Leon, Jesus Manuel C. Suntay, Marvin C. Rillo, Raquel S. Malañgen, Jessica Castelo Daza, Bayani V. Hipol, Jose A. Visaya, Godofredo T. Liban II, 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, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) is set to integrate policies on economics, security, and culture, geared towards a borderless region;

WHEREAS, by the end of 2015, ASEAN members will launch the Asean Economic Community (AEC) that will be characterized by the following: (1) a single market and production base; (2) a highly competitive economic region; (3) a region of equitable economic development; and (4) a region fully integrated into the global economy;

WHEREAS, the AEC will transport the ASEAN into a region with free movement of goods, services, investment, skilled labor, and capital that will be able to compete globally as one market base with each member gaining from each other's strengths in the long run, increasing its total competitiveness and chances for prosperity;

WHEREAS, even if all ASEAN members have agreed to use English as the language for business, it is still important that communication channels between and among the countries be strengthened in order to facilitate deeper understanding and collaboration;

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WHEREAS, in a 2014 Asian Development Bank Institute report on the ASEAN, it stated that the Philippines can count on its large availability of natural resources, as well as on its English proficiency;

WHEREAS, Filipinos should still learn the languages of the other ASEAN countries for a better appreciation of their culture that may be used as an advantage in trade, commerce, building partnerships, as well as fostering an environment conducive to cooperation;

WHEREAS, the City hosts several universities, colleges, and institutions that offer courses on different languages;

WHEREAS, this resolution aims to promote the conduct of an ASEAN forum for these schools to inform them of the potential of the AEC such as possible exchange training programs, an expanded market in those interested in learning these languages, and the like;

WHEREAS, it will be a great opportunity not only for language schools but for the City if the former are oriented on the advantages of offering language courses in Burmese, Lao, Thai, Vietnamese, Cambodian/Khmer, and Malay/Indonesian.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge, the City Government to conduct a forum on Asean Integration with all schools that offer language courses within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City.

ADOPTED: June 15, 2015.

NTHE ATT 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 June 15, 2015 and was CONFIRMED on June 22, 2015.

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