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**QUEZON CITY COUNCIL**

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

PR19CC-1128

79<sup>th</sup> Regular Session

RESOLUTION NO. SP- **6605**, S-2015

**A RESOLUTION STRONGLY SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL NO. 3172, WHICH SEEKS TO AMEND SECTION 2 (H) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9994, THEREBY REDEFINING THE TERM "INDIGENT SENIOR CITIZENS" BY NOT LIMITING THE SAME TO FRAIL, SICKLY AND DISABLED ONLY, AND BY QUALIFYING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE SAME DEFINITION AS REGULAR AND APPROPRIATE.**

*Introduced by Councilor ROGELIO "ROGER" P. JUAN.*

*Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Dorothy A. Delarmente, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Roderick M. Paulate, Ramulfo 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, Jessica Castelo Daza, Bayani V. Hipol, Jose A. Visaya, Julianne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Godofredo T. Liban II, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Candy A. Medina, Marivic Co-Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Donato C. Matias and Ricardo B. Corpuz.*

*WHEREAS, Section 11, Article XIII of the Constitution provides that the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, women, and children. Article XV, Section 4 of the Constitution further declares that it is the duty of the family to take care of its elderly members while the State may design programs of social security for them;*

*WHEREAS, by virtue of the objectives of Republic Act No. 9994, otherwise known as the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010", the City Government is mandated to adopt measures whereby our senior citizens are assisted and appreciated by the community as a whole, as well as to establish a program beneficial to the senior citizens, their families, and the rest of the community they serve;*

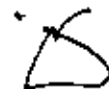
*WHEREAS, Hon. Angelina "Helen" D.L. Tan, M.D. has proposed House Bill No. 3172 which seeks to amend Section 2, subparagraph H of Republic Act No. 7342, as amended by Republic Act 9994, otherwise known as the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010". The said amendment intends to redefine the word "indigent senior citizen", thereby eliminating the phrase "frail, sickly, or with disability, and" so as to provide equal benefits and privileges to senior citizens who are not frail, sick, or otherwise disabled, and those who have pension or other sources of income, and thereby qualifying the financial assistance contemplated therein as "regular and appropriate";*

*WHEREAS, the said House Bill makes a more inclusive definition of "indigent senior citizen" by removing the physical requirements and requiring that financial assistance by a senior citizen's relatives should be adequate and regular;*

*WHEREAS, it is the duty of the City Government to enact measures that will ensure our senior citizens are properly assisted and accommodated at all times;*

*WHEREAS, there is a need to support the passage of House Bill No. 3172 to ensure that the benefits and privileges of all senior citizens in our beloved city especially those of financial assistance and medical services, are readily accessible and available for them;*


*WHEREAS, the 19th Quezon City Council recently approved Resolution No. PR19CC-277, which intends to make Quezon City a "Senior Citizens Friendly City. A*




NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to support, as it does hereby strongly support the passage of House Bill No. 3172, which seeks to amend Section 2 (H) of Republic Act No. 9994, thereby redefining the term "Indigent Senior Citizens" by not limiting the same to frail, sickly and disabled only, and by qualifying financial assistance as contemplated in the same definition as regular and appropriate.

ADOPTED: November 23, 2015.

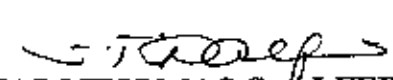
  
MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE  
Vice Mayor  
Presiding Officer

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 November 23, 2015 and was CONFIRMED on December 1, 2015.

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

