

## Republic of the Philippines OUEZON CITY COUNCIL

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

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87th Regular Session

RESOLUTION NO. SP- 6718

S-2016

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND THANKING BROTHER EDUARDO V. MANALO, EXECUTIVE MINISTER OF THE IGLESIA NI CRISTO FOR SPEARHEADING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 100-HECTARE "ECO-FARMING" COMMUNITY FOR THE KABIHUG ETHNIC GROUP LIVING IN THE MOUNTAINOUS AREAS OF CAMARINES NORTE, WHICH HE INAUGURATED ON NOVEMBER 8, 2015.

Introduced by Councilors PRECIOUS HIPOLITO CASTELO, MELENCIO "BOBBY" T. CASTELO JR., JESSICA CASTELO DAZA and KARL EDGAR CASTELO.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Lena Marie P. Juico, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Alexis R. Herrera, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Ramon P. Medalla, Estrella 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, Bayani V. Hipol, Jose A. Visaya, Julienne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Godofredo T. Liban II, Andres Jose G. Yllana, Jr., Allan Butch T. Francisco, Candy A. Medina, Marivic Co-Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Donato C. Matias and Ricardo B. Corpuz.

WHEREAS, Iglesia Ni Cristo has earned praises from the authorities, specially, from the National Commission for Indigenous People (NCIP), for the success of its continuing outreach programs mainly benefiting the country's varied indigenous communities and the marginalized sectors of the society;

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2015, Brother Eduardo V. Manalo, Iglesia Ni Cristo Executive Minister led the inauguration of the 100-hectare "Eco-Farming" Community for the Kabihug ethnic group living in the mountainous regions of Camarines Norte;

WHEREAS, NCIP Bicol Regional Director, Evelyn Jacob was quoted as saying, "We thank the Iglesia Ni Cristo for their tremendous help to the Kabihugs in resettlement and in providing needed livelihood assistance. INC's efforts included moral and spiritual nurturing as well, for which everyone is grateful;"

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WHEREAS, with 300 households, a garment factory, a fish-drying facility, a school and a chapel, the Paracale site is the 10<sup>th</sup> eco-farming community set up by the INC in various locations in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao, which projects were undertaken through the Felix Y. Manalo Foundation, which was established by the Church in honor of the INC's founding minister;

WHEREAS, the INC's idea of creating livelihood and financial assistance projects started in 1965 in Palayan City, Nueva Ecija under then-Executive Minister Brother Eraño G. Manalo who aimed at helping laborers in Hacienda Luisita;

WHEREAS, according to Bro. Glicerio B. Santos, INC General Auditor, the INC has always been able to give aid to the needy through sustainable livelihood projects in self-sustaining communities.

## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to commend, as it does hereby commend and thank Brother Eduardo V. Manalo, Executive Minister of the Iglesia Ni Cristo for spearheading the establishment of the 100-hectare "Eco-Farming" Community for the Kabihug ethnic group living in the mountainous areas of Camarines Norte, which he inaugurated on November 8, 2015.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Office of Brother Eduardo V. Manalo, the Executive Minister of the Iglesia Ni Cristo.

ADOPTED: February 22, 2016.

VINCENT DG. BELMONTE
President Pro-Tempore
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 February 22, 2016 and was CONFIRMED on February 29, 2016.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III

City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III