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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **6721**, S-2016

**A RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE WORLD ELDERLY ABUSE AWARENESS DAY CELEBRATED EVERY 15<sup>TH</sup> OF JUNE.**

*Introduced by Councilor LENA MARIE P. JUICO.*

*Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ranulfo 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, Marvin C. Rillo, Vincent DG. Belmonte, Raquel S. Malañgen, Jessica Castelo Daza, 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, Marivic Co-Pilar, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Donato C. Matias and Ricardo B. Corpuz.*

*WHEREAS, the United Nations General Assembly, in its Resolution No. 66/127, designated June 15 as World Elderly Abuse Awareness Day. It represents the one day in the year when the whole world voices its opposition to the abuse and suffering inflicted to some of our older generations;*

*WHEREAS, elder abuse can be defined as "a single, or repeated act, or lack of appropriate action, occurring within any relationship where there is an expectation of trust which causes harm or distress to an older person". Elder abuse can take various forms such as physical, psychological or emotional, sexual and financial abuse. It can also be the result of intentional or unintentional neglect;*

*WHEREAS, elder abuse is a global social issue which affects the health and human rights of millions of older persons around the world, and an issue which deserves the attention of the international community;*

*WHEREAS, the United Nations forecasted that the global population of people aged 60 years and older will more than double, from 542 million in 1995 to about 1.2 billion in 2025;*

*WHEREAS, around 4 to 6% of elderly people have experienced some form of maltreatment at home. Elder maltreatment can lead to serious physical injuries and long-term psychological consequences. The incidence of abuse towards older people is predicted to increase as many countries are experiencing rapidly ageing populations;*

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*WHEREAS, in many parts of the world, elder abuse occurs with little recognition or response. Until recently, this serious social problem was hidden from the public view and considered mostly a private matter. Even today, elder abuse continues to be a taboo, mostly underestimated and ignored by societies across the world. Evidence is accumulating, however, to indicate that elder abuse is an important public health and societal problem;*

*WHEREAS, elder abuse is a problem that exists in both developing and developed countries yet is typically underreported globally. Although the extent of elder mistreatment is unknown, its social and moral significance is obvious. As such, it demands a global multifaceted response, one which focuses on protecting the rights of older persons;*

*WHEREAS, Section 11, Article XIII, of the 1987 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 costs. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, women and children;*

*WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9994, also known as "An Act Granting Additional Benefits and Privileges to Senior Citizens, Further Amending Republic Act No. 7432 as Amended, Otherwise Known as An Act to Maximize The Contribution of Senior Citizens to Nation Building, Grant Benefits and Other Privileges and for other Purposes," recognizes the need to give full support to the improvement of the total well-being of the elderly and their full participation in society, considering that senior citizens are integral part of Philippine society.*

*NOW, THEREFORE,*

*BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to commemorate, as it does hereby commemorate the World Elderly Abuse Awareness Day every 15<sup>th</sup> of June.*

*RESOLVED, FURTHER, that the City Council of Quezon City continuously conducts advocacy activities to promote the rights and welfare of the disadvantaged and vulnerable sector, including the elderlies and highlights the important role that elderlies play in nation building, as well as raise and address issues concerning them. ✓*


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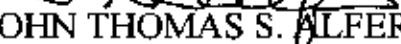
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*RESOLVED, FINALLY, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to Quezon City Social Services Development Department (QC-SSDD), Quezon City of Health Department (QC-DOH), Quezon City Office for Senior Citizens Affairs (QC-OSCA), and other Government and Non-government Organizations (NGOs) that deal with the well-being and concerns of the elderly sector.*

*ADOPTED: February 22, 2016.*

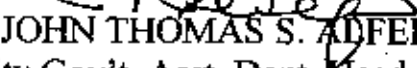
  
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President Pro-Tempore  
Acting Presiding Officer

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  
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