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Quezon City 19th City Council

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RESOLUTION NO. SP-__6772 , S-2016

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT INTO LAW OF SENATE BILL NO. 2790 ENTITLED "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE BASIC EDUCATION NUTRITION AND PERFORMANCE ACCELERATION PROGRAM" AUTHORED BY SENATOR MIRIAM DEFENSOR-SANTIAGO.

Introduced by Councilor GIAN CARLO G. SOTTO. Co-Introduced by Councilors Dorothy A. Delarmente, 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, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Jose Mario Don S. De Leon, Jaime F. Borres, Jesus Manuel C. Suntay, Raquel S. Malangen, Jessica Castelo Daza, Bayani V. Hipol, Jose A. Visaya, Julienne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Godofredo T. Liban II, 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, it is the policy of the Quezon City Government to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, the United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF) recognized that early childhood until the age of eight is critical for the cognitive, physical, and emotional development of the Child such that education imparted to a child during his or her first decade of learning will in large part determine the opportunities available to him or her in the future. Thus, in order to give today's children every opportunity of succeeding, fulfilling their nutritional requirements during these formative years is essential;

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WHEREAS, it cannot be gainsaid that hunger impairs a child's ability to learn and make them vulnerable to diseases. In the Philippines, 8.6% of school-aged children between ages 5-19 years old suffer from acute malnutrition. As such, our government – both national and local – must undertake radical measures to address the problem of malnutrition among school children by providing them with the proper nutritional requirements to succeed at school and life;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 2790 mandates a school—based feeding program spearheaded by the National Nutrition Council, the Department of Education, Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and Local Government Units (LGUs) to undertake the following pro-active measures, namely;

- a. Institutionalize a production and service system to address the nutritional and dietary needs of elementary school children during school hours;
- b. Streamline the various school children feeding programs of the Department of Education, the Department of Social Welfare and Development, and other government agencies into one system in order to increase efficiency in the use of allocated resources;
- c. Eliminate the incidence of the nutritionally wasted and severely wasted condition among children enrolled in public elementary schools;
- d. Accelerate and improve the academic performance and participation and physical development of children during the course of their basic education course;
- e. Further increase elementary education enrolment rates and school attendance records;

f. Empower local government officials, members of the community and other local stakeholders to actively participate in the nutritional and educational development of their local children; 91st Regular Session

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> g. Ensure transparency, accountability, and efficacy in the disbursement and distribution of funds and goods for the purposes of Senate Bill 2790.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to express, as it does hereby express the support for the immediate enactment into law of Senate Bill No. 2790 entitled "An Act Establishing the Philippine Basic Education Nutrition and Performance Acceleration Program," authored by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago.

ADOPTED: June 6, 2016.

THONY 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 6, 2016 and was CONFIRMED on June 13, 2016.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III

City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III'