

Republic of the Philippines OUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 21st City Council

PR21CC-534

25th Regular Session

RESOLUTION NO. SP. 8221 , S-2020

A RESOLUTION URGING ALL QUEZON CITY COMMERCIAL AND PUBLIC ESTABLISHMENTS AND SCHOOLS TO CONDUCT BODY TEMPERATURE MONITORING THROUGH THE USE OF NON-CONTACT INFRARED THERMOMETER OR SIMILAR DEVICES BEFORE ENTERING SAID PREMISES FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS DISEASE.

Introduced by Councilors PATRICK MICHAEL VARGAS and KATE GALANG-COSETENG.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Nicole Ella V. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Atty. Bong Liban, Eden Delilah "Candy" A. Medina, Ramon P. Medalla, Mikey F. Belmonte, Estrella C. Valmocina, Franz S. Pumaren, Matias John T. Defensor, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Jorge L. Banal, Sr., Peachy V. De Leon, Imee A. Rillo, Marra C. Suntay, Irene R. Belmonte, Resty B. Malangen, Ivy L. Lagman, Hero M. Bautista, Karl Castelo, Shaira L. Ram V. Medalla, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Liban, Marivic Co Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto-Antonio, Donato "Donny" C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Freddy S. Roxas and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, according to the World Health Organization (WHO), Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID19) is a large family of viruses that may cause illness in animal or humans. As for humans, it may cause respiratory infections ranging from common cold to more severe diseases such as the Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS);

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) confirmed last March 7, 2020 that there has been already a local transmission of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in the country after verification with the Bureau of Immigration that the patient had no travel history;

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WHEREAS, with the confirmation of localized transmission in the country and in anticipation of possible sustained community transmission, the Department of Health (DOH) has raised the COVID-19 Alert System to Code Red Sublevel 1. DOH is quick to clarify that this is a preemptive call to ensure that national and local governments and public and private health care providers can prepare for possible increase in suspected and confirmed cases;

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall promote the right to public health of the people;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Units (LGUs) are urged by the DOH to be ready to implement planned response measures;

WHEREAS, under Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991, the local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

WHEREAS, City Mayor Joy Belmonte announced on March 9, 2020 that there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 in Quezon City;

WHEREAS, the QC-LGU shall enforce a body temperature check for every person who will enter a commercial or religious establishments within the City as a precaution against the spread of the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19. Those who have a body temperature above 37.5 degrees will not be allowed to enter said premises;

WHEREAS, the purpose of these thermometer guns is to measure a person's body temperature from a distance without having to touch the person. These are non-contact infrared devices that can eliminate contamination risk.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge, all Quezon City commercial and public establishments and schools to conduct body temperature monitoring through the use of non-contact infrared thermometer or similar devices before entering said premises for the purpose of preventing the spread of coronavirus disease.

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RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Office of the City Mayor for their information and proper action.

ADOPTED: March 9, 2020.

IRENE R. BELMONTE 2nd Asst. Majority Floor Leader acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III City Government Dept. Head III

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on March 9, 2020 under Suspended Rules and was CONFIRMED on the same date.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III City Government Dept. Head III

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