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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **8235**, S-2020

A RESOLUTION STRONGLY SUPPORTING SENATE BILL NO. 1520 FILED BY SENATOR VICENTE CASTELO SOTTO III, ENTITLED "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP AND RETURN SERVICE PROGRAM FOR DESERVING STUDENTS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", AND HOUSE BILL NO. 6756 FILED BY REPRESENTATIVE PRECIOUS HIPOLITO CASTELO, ENTITLED "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND RETURN SERVICE PROGRAM FOR DESERVING STUDENTS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR."

Introduced by Councilor DIORELLA MARIA G. SOTTO-ANTONIO.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Eden Delilah "Candy" A. Medina, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P. Juico, Nicole Ella V. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Atty. Bong Liban, Ramon P. Medalla, Mikey F. Belmonte, Estrella C. Valmocina, Franz S. Pumaren, Kate Galang-Coseteng, 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. Malañgen, Ivy L. Lagman, Hero M. Bautista, Jose A. Visaya, Karl Castelo, Patrick Michael Vargas, Shaira L. Liban, Ram V. Medalla, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Donato "Donny" C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Freddy S. Roxas and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, provides that "the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizen to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization recommends a minimum of 23 doctors, nurses and midwives per 10,000 population in order to deliver essential health services. In the Philippines, there are only 2.3 doctors, nurses and midwives per 10,000 Filipinos, based on data from the Philippine College of Physicians;

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WHEREAS, the cost of medical studies has become so prohibitive that it has become beyond the reach of Filipino families even those belonging to the upper middle class. The situation has been aggravated by doctors taking up nursing and leaving the country for more lucrative jobs abroad;

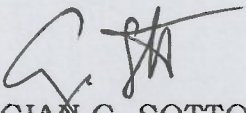
WHEREAS, a specific condition stipulated in Senate Bill No. 1520 states that within one (1) year from the passing of the licensure examinations for physicians, the scholar shall serve in a government public health office or government hospital in the scholar's hometown, province or region or, in the presence of threat for his/her safety, in any underserved municipality determined by the DOH as priority area;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 1520 seeks to address scarcity of physicians through the granting of scholarships to deserving medical students that would aid in the increase of the number of physicians in the country.


NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to strongly support, as it does hereby strongly support, Senate Bill No. 1520 filed by Senator Vicente Castelo Sotto III, entitled "An Act Establishing a Medical Scholarship and Return Service Program for Deserving Students and Appropriating Funds Therefor and For Other Purposes", and House Bill No. 6756 filed by Representative Precious Hipolito Castelo, entitled "An Act Establishing a Medical Scholarships and Return Service Program for Deserving Students, and Appropriating Funds Therefor".

ADOPTED: June 29, 2020.

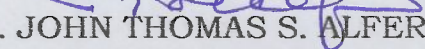

GIAN G. SOTTO
City Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

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 June 29, 2020 and was CONFIRMED on July 6, 2020.


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

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