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QUEZON CITY COUNCIL
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21st City Council

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51st Regular Session

RESOLUTION NO. SP- **8410**, S-2020

A RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY GOVERNMENT, THROUGH THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A CITY-WIDE PLAN THAT WILL PROMOTE THE USE OF BICYCLES AMID THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

Introduced by Councilor RAM V. MEDALLA.

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, 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. Malañgen, Ivy L. Lagman, Hero M. Bautista, Jose A. Visaya, Patrick Michael Vargas, Shaira L. Liban, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto-Antonio, Donato "Donny" C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Freddy S. Roxas and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution and Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 (General Welfare Clause) provides that local government units are charged with the promotion of health and safety within their jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) as a pandemic prompting the national government to issue Presidential Proclamation Nos. 922 and 929 S. 2020, declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines and imposing an Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) in Luzon and certain parts of the country;

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WHEREAS, the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases recommended the downgrading of the Metro Manila ECQ to General Community Quarantine (GCQ) starting on June 1, which was approved by the Office of the President. This allowed for the reopening on full operation of various sectors and industries, as well as the resumption of work for employees;

WHEREAS, to prevent the high risk of community spread of the virus in public transportation, the national government issued guidelines for public transportation operators, such as limiting the number of vehicles available as well as its passenger sitting capacity. This led to a gap in public transportation for the thousands of citizens who depend on public transit for their daily commute;

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation (DOTr) and the IATF pushed for the use of "non-motorized transport and personal mobility devices during the GCQ," such as bicycles and the like;

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 8.2 of Ordinance No. SP-2636, S-2017, otherwise known as the Road Safety Code of Quezon City, provides for the identification of roads that can accommodate the installation of bike lanes in Quezon City;

WHEREAS, it is important to leverage the use of bicycles as one form of response to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The installation of bicycle lanes and sharing facilities, as well as other measures such as employee bicycle loan programs, should be prioritized in order to alleviate the burden of Quezon City commuters.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge, the City Government, through the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, to develop and implement a city-wide plan that will promote the use of bicycles amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

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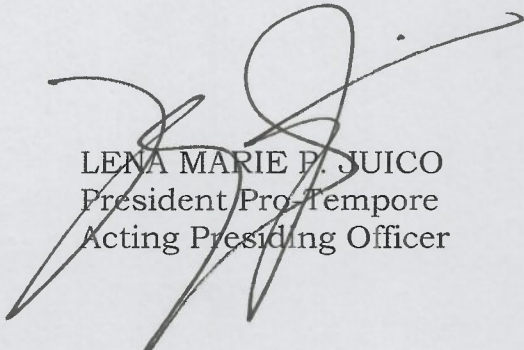
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RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the City Planning and Development Department (CPDD), Department of Public Order and Safety (DPOS), and City Engineering Department (CED).

ADOPTED: December 14, 2020.



LENA MARIE P. JUICO
President Pro Tempore
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 December 14, 2020 and was CONFIRMED under Suspended Rules on the same date.


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

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