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QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **8622**, S-2021

A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, AND THE CITY VICE MAYOR, HONORABLE GIAN G. SOTTO, FOR OBTAINING FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT AN "UNQUALIFIED OPINION", THE HIGHEST AUDIT RATING THAT THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT (COA) CAN GIVE TO A GOVERNMENT AGENCY OR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Introduced by Councilor DONATO "Donny" C. MATIAS.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P.

Juico, 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. 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, Diorella Maria G. Sotto-Antonio, Freddy S. Roxas and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Presidential Decree No. 1445, otherwise known as the Government Auditing Code of the Philippines, provides that "It is the declared policy of the State that all resources of the government shall be managed, expended or utilized in accordance with law and regulations, and safeguard against loss or wastage through illegal or improper disposition, with a view to ensuring efficiency, economy and effectiveness in the operations of government;

WHEREAS, the responsibility to take care that such policy is faithfully adhered to rests directly with the chief or head of the government agency concerned;

WHEREAS, Section 43 of Presidential Decree No. 1445 provides that the auditors shall exercise such powers and functions as may be authorized by the Commission in the examination, audit and settlement of the accounts, funds, financial transactions, and resources of the agencies under their respective audit jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, an "unqualified opinion", also known as a "clean opinion" or an "unmodified opinion", is the highest audit rating given by the COA to a government agency after concluding that financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the audited agency in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles;

WHEREAS, this audit rating means that the city's financial statements, as a whole, are free from materials misstatements that may arise from either fraud or error;

WHEREAS, the unqualified opinion is the Highest Audit Opinion that COA can give to a government agency including a local government unit;

WHEREAS, this important recognition is a testament of the vision of the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, for good governance, excellence and transparency in the local government's financial management;

WHEREAS, despite the pandemic, the Quezon City Government has implemented measures towards improving the transparency and efficiency of its services;

WHEREAS, under the Belmonte administration, QCitizens are assured that the finances of the city are properly used for services, programs and projects for the benefit of all.



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NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to congratulate, as it does hereby congratulate, the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, and the City Vice Mayor, Honorable Gian G. Sotto, for obtaining for the first time in the history of the Quezon City Government, an "Unqualified Opinion", the highest audit rating that the Commission on Audit (COA) can give to a government agency or a local government.

ADOPTED: July 5, 2021.

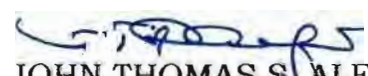

ERIC Z. MEDINA
Minority Floor Leader
Acting Presiding Officer

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 July 5, 2021 and was CONFIRMED on July 12, 2021.


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

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