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QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **8771**, S-2021

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING ST. JOSEPH AS THE PROTECTOR OF QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors FRANZ S. PUMAREN, EDEN DELILAH "Candy" A. MEDINA, KATE GALANG-COSETENG, MATIAS JOHN T. DEFENSOR, WENCEROM BENEDICT C. LAGUMBAY, JORGE L. BANAL, SR. and PEACHY V. DE LEON.

WHEREAS, the local government of Quezon City desires to promote culture and the arts to its citizenry by continuously recognizing people, places and destinations which have contributed significantly in its rich history;

WHEREAS, St. Joseph Shrine, located in the Third Legislative District of Quezon City, specifically at No. 965 Aurora Boulevard, Quezon City, through its parish priest, Rev. Fr. Ronaldo M. Macale, has requested for the declaration of San Jose de Quezon City as secondary patron of the City since this is the first parish dedicated to St. Joseph;

WHEREAS, St. Joseph, the husband of Mary, was the father of Jesus on Earth. It is known that St. Joseph was a carpenter, not one of the powerful men in town and was an ordinary man who lived a simple life. St. Joseph was an honest worker and therefore known to be the "Patron Saint of Workers". Due to this, the church celebrates a second feast day, May 1st for "St. Joseph the Worker";

WHEREAS, the feast of St. Joseph the Worker was established by Pope Pius XII in 1955 in order to Christianize the concept of labor and give to all workmen a model and a protector. "May Day" has long been dedicated to labor and the working man. Pope Pius XII expressed the hope that this feast would accentuate the dignity of labor and would bring a spiritual dimension to labor unions. It is eminently fitting that St. Joseph, a working man who became the foster-father of Christ and patron of the universal Church;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Tourism Department has recommended that the title "St. Joseph, Patron Saint of Quezon City Workers", the Diocese of Cubao, through His Excellency, Bishop Honesto F. Ongtioco, D.D, Bishop of Cubao, has requested that the title be declared as "St. Joseph, the Protector of Quezon City", for indeed St. Joseph is guiding and looking after us, as he did to Jesus and Mary;

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WHEREAS, in a letter dated October 26, 2021 addressed to the Honorable City Mayor, the Quezon City Tourism Department interposes no objection on the request of His Excellency, Bishop Honesto F. Ongtioco, D.D, Bishop of Cubao to declare and adopt the title, "St. Joseph, Protector of Quezon City";

WHEREAS, the year of St. Joseph coincides with the celebration of 500 years of Christianity in the Philippines and the 70th Parish Foundation Anniversary.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to adopt, as it does hereby adopt, St. Joseph as the Protector of Quezon City.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Feast of St. Joseph be included in the Quezon City Cultural Calendar to promote its religious significance and use all forms of media to promote the Feast of St. Joseph.

RESOLVD FINALLY, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Diocese of Cubao, through His Excellency, Bishop Honesto F. Ongtioco, D.D and to the St. Joseph Shrine Parish Priest, Rev. Fr. Rolando M. Macale.

ADOPTED: December 1, 2021.



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 December 1, 2021 and was CONFIRMED on December 06, 2021.



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

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