

## Republic of the Philippines OUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 21st City Council

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RESOLUTION NO. SP-8785, S-2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES - BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT BUREAU (DENR-BMB), DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES - NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION (DENR-NCR) AND METRO PACIFIC INVESTMENTS CORPORATION (MPIC) FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "BUILDING A BIODIVERSITY-FRIENDLY URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN METRO MANILA PROJECT" IN QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors FRANZ S. PUMAREN and DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P. Juico, Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, 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, 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, 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, Donato "Donny" C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Freddy S. Roxas and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government is committed in pursuing environmental sustainability and among its notable initiatives is on plastic waste reduction and advancing circular economy;

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WHEREAS, the DENR, by virtue of Executive Order 192, is the primary agency responsible for the conservation, management, development, and proper use of the country's environment and natural resources, specifically, forest and grazing lands, mineral resources, including those in reservation and watershed areas, and lands of the public domain, as well as the licensing and regulation of all natural resources as may be provided for by law to ensure equitable sharing of the benefits derived therefrom for the welfare of the present and future generation of Filipinos;

WHEREAS, the DENR-BMB is responsible for the conservation and sustainable management of the country's biodiversity by mainstreaming biodiversity across all sectors of government and society through effective area-based conservation measures;

WHEREAS, DENR-NCR is responsible for the conservation, management, development and proper use of environment and natural resources within Metro Manila;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government shares with the national government the responsibility in the management and maintenance of ecological balance within their territorial jurisdiction, pursuant to Republic Act No. 7160 or the "Local Government Code of 1991;

WHEREAS, the MPIC is one of the leading infrastructure investments company in the country that ensures that environmental stewardship is embedded in its key business and investment strategies, thus, designs, builds, and operates with the least social and environmental disruption;

WHEREAS, there is a need to support effective urban conservation strategies in order to address the biodiversity concerns in and around urban areas and the survival of species within cities;

WHEREAS, the parties agree to collaborate and share knowledge, skills and resources that will promote urban biodiversity, as well as build public awareness and support consistent with the timely implementation and completion of the "Building a Biodiversity-Friendly Urban Development in Metro Manila Project";

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 455 (b)(1)(vi) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the City Mayor shall represent the City in all its business transactions and sign in its behalf all bonds, contracts and obligations and such other documents upon the authority of the Sangguniang Panlungsod or pursuant to law or ordinance.



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## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to authorize, as it does hereby authorize, the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Biodiversity Management Bureau (DENR-BMB), Department of Environment and Natural Resources - National Capital Region (DENR-NCR) and Metro Pacific Investments Corporation (MPIC) for the implementation of the "Building a Biodiversity-Friendly Urban Development in Metro Manila Project" in Quezon City.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of the subject Memorandum of Agreement and Acceptance shall form an integral part of this Resolution.

ADOPTED: December 13, 2021.

GIAN G. SOTTO City Vice Mayor Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ADFEROS 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 13, 2021 and was CONFIRMED under Suspended Rules on the same date.

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