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RESOLUTION NO. SP-**9259**, S-2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH SCHOLARS OF SUSTENANCE (SOS) PHILIPPINES, INC., ON THE UNDERTAKING OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES: FOOD AND RESCUE PROGRAM, RESCUE KITCHEN PROGRAM, AND FOOD WASTE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Introduced by Councilors BERNARD R. HERRERA, DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D., and VITO SOTTO GENEROSO

Co-Introduced by Councilors Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Joseph P. Juico, Nikki V. Crisologo, Charm M. Ferrer, Fernando Miguel "Mikey" F. Belmonte, Candy A. Medina, Dave C. Valmocina, Tatay Rannie Z. Ludovica, Godofredo T. Liban II, Kate Galang-Coseteng, Geleen "Dok G" G. Lumbad, Albert Alvin "Chuckie" L. Antonio III, Don S. De Leon, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Atty. Anton L. Reyes, Edgar "Egay" G. Yap, Imee A. Rillo, Raquel S. Malañgen, Irene R. Belmonte, Nanette Castelo-Daza, Marra C. Suntay, Joseph Joe Visaya, Alfred Vargas, MPA, Ram V. Medalla, Shaira "Shay" L. Liban, Aiko S. Melendez, Mutya Castelo, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Kristine Alexia R. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Victor "Vic" Bernardo and Alfredo "Freddy" Roxas

WHEREAS, the rising prices in basic and essential food commodities brought about by various local and international factors, such as climate change-related natural disasters and lack of post-harvest facilities, warehousing and cold-chain facilities, food hubs, farmers' markets and inefficient food distribution systems; and the ongoing Russia-Ukraine aggression which has greatly impacted global food, fuel and materials supply chains;

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WHEREAS, the Quezon City Local Government Unit (QC-LGU) believes in working with key partners and stakeholders to further its objectives in achieving food security in the City;

WHEREAS, the QC-LGU sees the importance of reducing and avoiding food surplus and food waste at source to contribute to a circular food system and lessen the City's carbon emissions;

WHEREAS, Scholars of Sustenance (SOS) is a Global Food Rescue Foundation and Non-Profit Organization tackling food waste and food insecurity in three (3) different countries: Thailand, Indonesia, and most recently, the Philippines. SOS envisions creating a society where good nutritious food can be accessed by people regardless of income, status and identity;

WHEREAS, SOS conducts several food security programs internationally, namely the Food Rescue Program which collects good quality surplus food from various donors and distributes them to the most vulnerable communities, and the Rescue Kitchen Program where volunteers come together to prepare nutritious meals using rescued food ingredients and serve the same to undernourished communities;

WHEREAS, SOS has set-up its Philippine operations through Scholars of Sustenance (SOS) Philippines, Inc., a non-stock, non-profit corporation and food rescue organization with the vision of implementing their international programs to cater to the evolving needs of the Philippines in terms of food security, food waste and nutrition;

WHEREAS, the SOS has a positive footprint in Southeast Asian countries and has been improving food systems that benefit urban cities and metropolitan areas which was introduced by Milan Urban Food Policy Pact (MUFPP) to the QC-LGU, and the QC-LGU acknowledges the alignment in objectives with SOS in terms of food security and nutrition;

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 Understanding with Scholars of Sustenance (SOS) Philippines, Inc., on the undertaking of the following activities: Food and Rescue Program, Rescue Kitchen Program, and Food Waste Education Program.

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

ADOPTED: March 13, 2023.



GIAN G. SOTTO
City Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
City Government Department Head III
(City Council Secretary)

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on March 13, 2023 and was CONFIRMED on March 20, 2023.


ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
City Government Department Head III
(City Council Secretary)

