

Republic of the Philippines OUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 22nd City Council

PR22CC-526

36th Regular Session

RESOLUTION NO. SP- 9338 , S-2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT, THROUGH THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION, DULY REPRESENTED BY ITS COMMISSIONER, HONORABLE NORMAN G. TANSINGCQ, FOR THE CONTINUED USE OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE SQUARE METERS AND FIFTY-FIVE SQUARE DECIMETERS (255.55 SQ.M.) OFFICE SPACE LOCATED AT THE CIVIC CENTER BUILDING C OF THE QUEZON CITY HALL COMPLEX, QUEZON CITY

Introduced by Councilors ALY MEDALLA and SHAIRA "Shay" L. LIBAN

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Joseph P. Juico, Charm M. Ferrer, Fernando Miguel "Mikey" F. Belmonte, Candy A. Medina, Dave C. Valmocina, Tatay Rannie Z. Ludovica, Godofredo T. Liban II, 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, Aiko S. Melendez, Mutya Castelo, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Kristine Alexia R. Matias, Eric Z. Medina, Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Vito Sotto Generoso, Victor "Vic" Bernardo, Alfredo "Freddy" Roxas and Julian Marcus D. Trono

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2014, the Quezon City Government and the Bureau of Immigration (BI) entered into a Memorandum of Agreement for a period of ten (10) years, from September 8, 2014 to September 7, 2024, in order to bring immigration services, and make the same accessible, to foreign students and many important stakeholders;

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WHEREAS, the BI is principally responsible for the administration and enforcement of immigration laws, rules and regulations, and alien admission and registration laws, in accordance with the provisions of the Philippine Immigration Act of 1940, as amended, and Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book IV, Administrative Code of 1987;

WHEREAS, in connection with the discharge of its mandate and functions, the BI maintains the Student Visa Section (SVS) that services the immigration requirements of foreign students in the country and accredited educational institutions that accept such foreign students;

WHEREAS, the BI, through its SVS located at the Second Floor of the Civic Center Building C of the Quezon City Hall Complex, has been extending free immigration services for the past nine (9) years;

WHEREAS, on April 24, 2023, the Quezon City Government received a letter from the BI, duly represented by Hon. Norman G. Tansingco, expressing its intent to continue its partnership with the Quezon City Government for another term of ten (10) years;

WHEREAS, since the current Memorandum of Agreement is about to expire on September 8, 2024, there is a need to renew the same for another ten (10) years in order to continue the partnership between the Quezon City Government and the BI;

WHEREAS, the SVS shall remain to exist in such strategic location in order to continuously provide the much-needed immigration services for foreign students in the area and make it accessible to many important stakeholders;

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 authority of the Sangguniang Panlungsod or pursuant to law or ordinance;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the City Council to pass this Resolution authorizing the Honorable Mayor to sign the new Memorandum of Agreement to allow the continued partnership of the BI with the City.

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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 Quezon City Government, through the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Bureau of Immigration, duly represented by its Commissioner, Honorable Norman G. Tansingco, for the continued use of two hundred fifty-five square meters and fifty-five square decimeters (255.55 sq.m.) office space located at the Civic Center Building C of the Quezon City Hall Complex, Quezon City.

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

ADOPTED: June 26, 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 June 26, 2023 and was CONFIRMED under Suspended Rules on the same date.

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