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ORDINANCE NO. SP- 2980 , S-2020

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SPECIALIZED PUBLIC SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEM IN QUEZON CITY.

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WHEREAS, Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that "the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all";

WHEREAS, Section 17 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provides that local government units shall provide basic services and facilities including the establishment of school buildings;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10533 or the Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013 broadened the goals of basic education to include college preparation, vocational and technical career opportunities as well as creative arts, sports and entrepreneurial employment. This will be through the Senior High School Program where students will choose one among these Tracks: Academic, Technical-Vocational, Sports, and Arts and Design;

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WHEREAS, the Schools Division Office of Quezon City, hereinafter referred to as DepEd-QC, is the one responsible for securing resources to make public senior high schools competitive:

- (1) Partnering with the private sector entities as well as the government agencies and their local units for the development and improvement of the K to 12 basic education reform program that includes Senior High School, hereinafter referred to as "SHS", in Quezon City, with a major objective of ensuring that graduates of basic education are ready for employment, entrepreneurship, and higher learning;
- (2) Sees the need for school-industry partnership for the necessary expertise and venue for practical, on-the-job, enterprise-based training for SHS learners for the effective delivery of SHS instruction;
- (3) Aware that the SHS curriculum can be customized at the local levels to take into consideration the needs of local industries and labor market;

WHEREAS, the establishment of specialized public senior high schools in Quezon City will serve as the model for effective implementation of the Senior High School program.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. TITLE. - This Ordinance shall be known as the "Quezon City Specialized Senior High School System or the SSHS System"

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. - It is the policy of the Quezon City Government to provide its constituents with relevant quality senior high school education that will prepare its learners for employment, entrepreneurship and higher learning. To achieve this, the City shall establish specialized public senior high schools that will serve as models in the implementation of tracks in the fields of academic, technical vocational, arts and sports.

SECTION 3. OBJECTIVES. - In implementing the foregoing policy, the City shall pursue the following objectives:

a. Establish coordinated efforts with the Department of Education in identifying and operationalizing specialized senior high schools;

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- b. Ensure uniformity in quality standards and systematize operations of schools under the Specialized Senior High School System; and
- c. Continuously enhance and adapt the Senior High School curriculum and pedagogical approaches to the industry and global demands.

SECTION 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS. -

a. Specialized Senior High Schools – are Quezon City public secondary schools in Grades 11 and 12 levels offering tracks to students who passed the prescribed test and screening.

SECTION 5. LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD AND THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP. – The Local School Board shall be the overall coordinating authority for the administrative supervision of the Specialized Senior High School. The Local School Board and the Technical Working Group and representatives from the business/industry sector shall be responsible for the following:

- a. Formulate the implementing rules and regulations of this Ordinance;
- b. Formulate policies and guidelines for the administration and operation of the SSHS System;
- c. Prepare and propose the budgetary requirement of Specialized Senior High Schools; and
- d. Prepare strategic plans to enhance the capability of the System in developing human resources aligned with its tracks.

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION. - The funds necessary for the construction, maintenance and operation of the said schools shall be taken from the Special Education Funds of Quezon City.

SECTION 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. - If any part or section of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional for any reason whatsoever, such declaration shall not in any way affect the other parts or sections of this Ordinance.

SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE. - All Ordinances, Resolutions, Executive Orders, Rules, Regulations, and other administrative issuances, or the provisions thereof, which are contrary to or inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.



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SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. - This Ordinance shall take effect within fifteen (15) days following its publication in any newspaper or general circulation.

ENACTED: March 9, 2020.

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ATTESTED:

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City Government Dept. Head III

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MA. JOSEPINA G. BELMONTE City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on March 9, 2020 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on October 5, 2020.

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