

## Republic of the Philippines **QUEZON CITY COUNCIL**

Quezon City 21st City Council

PR21CC-164

69th Regular Session

RESOLUTION NO. SP-8593, S-2021

A RESOLUTION URGING THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, SPECIFICALLY THE OFFICE FOR THE SENIOR CITIZENS AFFAIRS (OSCA), TO CREATE A STANDARD POLICY FOR THE ELECTION OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES IN THEIR BARANGAYS AND DISTRICTS IN QUEZON CITY.

Introduced by Councilors ROGELIO "Roger" P. JUAN and JORGE L. BANAL, SR.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P. Juico, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Nicole Ella V. Crisologo, 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, Franz S. Pumaren, Matias John T. Defensor, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, 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, Karl Castelo, Patrick Michael Vargas, Shaira L. Liban, Ram V. Medalla, Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co Pilar, Diorella Maria G. Sotto-Antonio, Eric Z. Medina, Freddy S. Roxas and Noe Dela Fuente.

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 9994, otherwise known as the "Expanded Senior Citizens Act of 2010", the City Government is mandated to adopt measures whereby our senior citizens are recognized to take their proper place in the society and given full support towards the improvement of their total well-being so as to encourage them to contribute in nation building;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the said Republic Act, the local government units are likewise mandated to provide mechanisms whereby senior citizens are properly assisted, appreciated by the community as a whole and that their contributions are maximized;

WHEREAS, the 17th City Council of Quezon City approved Resolution No. SP-4783, S-2009, which seeks to urge the City Mayor and the City Government to direct the Office for the Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) to take charge of the organization, consolidation, and unification of all existing senior citizens' association in Quezon City;

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WHEREAS, the 20<sup>th</sup> City Council passed Ordinance No. SP-2577, S-2017, entitled "establishing a system of registration in all barangays of Quezon City to enlist any senior citizen group, organization, association and/or chapters established and operating within their respective territorial jurisdiction upon the latter's compliance with the necessary registration requirements";

WHEREAS, the existence of several senior citizens associations sometimes yields confusion and hampers the extension of the necessary support and assistance being provided by the City Government to the senior citizens sector;

WHEREAS, in order to harmonize the programs and projects of the City Government for the benefit and welfare of the Senior Citizens of Quezon City, it is imperative that these organizations, associations, and chapters be organized and consolidated and that they be officially represented in the government for easier recognition of these bodies and for faster delivery of services among all senior citizens residing in our city;

WHEREAS, following the principle of one senior citizen association per barangay while considering the constitutional right of persons to form unions, associations, or societies, there is a necessity to adopt and institutionalize a standard procedure or mechanism for these associations or organizations to follow in the selection of their representatives;

WHEREAS, as a policy, all duly elected Presidents of all senior citizens associations, chapters and organizations duly registered in their respective barangays and/or accredited by the Quezon City Office for the Senior Citizens Affairs (QC-OSCA) shall, in an election duly called for this purpose by the QC-OSCA and/or their respective Barangay concerned, elect among themselves their respective Barangay Senior Citizens Federation President, who shall serve as their official representative in their respective barangays;

WHEREAS, thereafter all duly elected Barangay Federation Presidents shall then, in an election also called for this purpose by the QC-OSCA and Office of the City Mayor, elect among themselves a Senior Citizen District President, who shall serve as the collective and official representative of these associations, chapters, and groups in their respective districts;

WHEREAS, the term of the duly elected Barangay Senior Citizens Federation Presidents and Senior Citizens District Presidents shall be co-terminous with the elected barangay officials of their respective barangays. The abovementioned elections of the Barangay Senior Citizens Federation Presidents and Senior Citizens District Presidents shall be conducted not later than sixty (60) days following the barangay elections;

WHEREAS, the 19th City Council approved Resolution No. SP-5888, S-2014, which intends to make Quezon City, a "Senior Citizens Friendly City."

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## NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge, the Executive Department, specifically the Office for the Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA), to create a standard policy for the election of their representatives in their barangays and districts in Quezon City.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that all the 142 barangays in Quezon City be furnished with a copy of this Resolution.

ADOPTED: June 21, 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 June 21, 2021 and was CONFIRMED on June 28, 2021.

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