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QUEZON CITY COUNCIL
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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **8456**, S-2021

A RESOLUTION STRONGLY SUPPORTING HOUSE BILL NO. 8443 ENTITLED
"ACADEMIC FREEDOM ACT OF 2021".

Introduced by Councilors IRENE R. BELMONTE, DOROTHY A. DELARMENTE, M.D. and WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P. Juico, Nicole Ella V. Crisologo, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Atty. Bong Liban, Eden Delilah "Candy" A. Medina, Ramon P. Medalla, Mikey F. Belmonte, Estrella C. Valmocina, Franz S. Pumaren, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Jorge L. Banal, Sr., Peachy V. De Leon, Imee A. Rillo, Marra C. Suntay, 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, 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, Section 17 (4)(ii) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, authorizes the Local Government Units to provide adequate support to efficient and effective provisions of basic services such as Education;

WHEREAS, Section 17 (b)(4)(vii) of the same Local Government Code of 1991, provides the Basic Services and Facilities such as Municipal buildings, cultural centers, public parks including freedom parks, playgrounds, and sports facilities and equipment, and other similar facilities;

WHEREAS, Section 5(2), Article XIV of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that "Academic freedom shall be enjoyed in all institutions of higher learning";

WHEREAS, Section 4(1), Article XIV of the same Constitution provides that the state recognizes the complementary roles of public and private institutions in educational system and shall exercise reasonable supervision of all educational institutions;

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WHEREAS, House Bill No. 8443, otherwise known as the "Academic Freedom Act of 2021", aims to declare Schools, State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) as freedom spaces where academic freedom is guaranteed;

WHEREAS, this Bill recognizes the right of SUCs to exercise their full act of ownership over their property and must have coordination and authorization to the School Administration for any performance of state security operation within the premises of the school and property;

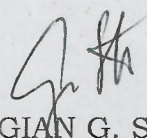
WHEREAS, this Resolution supports House Bill No. 8443, otherwise known as "Academic Freedom Act of 2021", in order to assist our SUCs, Faculties and Students and to recognize their rights and their freedom to express themselves.

NOW, THEREFORE,


BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to support, as it does hereby strongly support, House Bill No. 8443 entitled "Academic Freedom Act of 2021".

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Chairperson of the House Committee on Basic Education and Culture, to the Senate President, and the Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Educations, Arts and Culture.

ADOPTED: February 8, 2021.

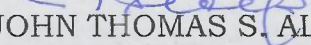

GIAN G. SOTTO
City Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

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 February 8, 2021 and was CONFIRMED on February 15, 2021.


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

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