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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **8667**, S-2021

A RESOLUTION URGING THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY (PSA) TO CORRECT THE EXTREMELY IMPROBABLE QUEZON CITY POPULATION DATA IN THE PSA'S 2020 CENSUS.

Introduced by Councilor FRANZ S. PUMAREN.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Bernard R. Herrera, Lena Marie P. Juico, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, Eden Delilah "Candy" A. Medina, Ramon P. Medalla, Mikey F. Belmonte, Estrella C. Valmocina, Kate Galang-Coseteng, Matias John T. Defensor, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Jorge L. Banal, Sr., Peachy V. De Leon, 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, 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, between 2000 to 2010, the Quezon City registered an overall population growth rate of 27.04%;

WHEREAS, in the 2015 census of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), Quezon City had a population of 2,936,116;

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing and other relevant data, the Quezon City population was projected to be around 3.112 million by 2020;

WHEREAS, according to the Quezon City Civil Registry Department, there were 333,468 registered births and only 115,810 deaths from 2015 to 2020, which means an expected population increase of more than 200,000 or around 7% from 2015 to 2020;

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WHEREAS, despite of all the foregoing, in the PSA's 2020 census, the PSA surprisingly recorded a Quezon City population of only 2,960,048. This is an increase of 23,932 or only 0.8% over the past five (5) years;

WHEREAS, aside from the improbably low population increase of the City as a whole, the 2020 PSA census recorded a shocking decreases in the population on many City barangays. Some barangays supposedly lost around half of their residents. Among others, the PSA recorded an alleged 54% decrease in Don Manuel, 50% decrease in Bayanihan, 32% decrease in Masambong, 42% decrease in West Triangle, 37% decrease in Blue Ridge B, 37% decrease in Ugong Norte, 31% decrease in Doña Imelda, and a 34% decrease in Roxas. Overall, the PSA supposedly found a substantial decrease in population in 92 out of 142 City barangays;

WHEREAS, population decreases of this magnitude in only five years seem to be virtually impossible. Only a catastrophic exodus could explain such figures. However, no such mass emigration has ever been observed in any of the concerned barangays;

WHEREAS, these improbably low population figures have detrimental implications on the share of government resources for Quezon City residents, including but not limited to the national tax allotment, the COVID-19 vaccine allocation, the distribution of financial and food assistance, and other aspects of the City's pandemic response, as well as social services like barangay health centers;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Statistics Authority must correct these obvious errors to ensure that none of Quezon City's citizens are unjustly deprived of scarce government resources.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) to correct the extremely improbable Quezon City population data in the PSA's 2020 Census.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to urge the PSA to conduct a meticulous review and re-validation of its 2020 census data for Quezon City, with a view to correcting the extremely improbable data therein.


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RESOLVED, FINALLY, to urge the National Economic Development Authority, the House Committees on Population and Local Government, and other government bodies with vital interests in accurate population data and the equitable distribution of government resources, to investigate these apparent anomalies in the 2020 PSA Census.

ADOPTED: August 31, 2021.



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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 August 31, 2021 under Suspended Rules and was CONFIRMED on the same date.


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