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QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **7131**, S-2017

A RESOLUTION URGING BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8749, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CLEAN AIR ACT OF 1999, BASED ON THE REPORTED CORRUPT PRACTICES IN VEHICLE EMISSION TESTING CENTERS THAT PERPETUATES THE POLLUTION PROBLEMS CAUSED BY METRO MANILA TRAFFIC CONGESTION.

Introduced by Councilors *ELIZABETH A. DELARMENTE*
and *GIAN CARLO G. SOTTO*.

Co-Introduced by Councilors *Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Lena Marie P. Juico, Victor V. Ferrer, Jr., Oliviere T. Belmonte, Alexis R. Herrera, Precious Hipolito Castelo, Voltaire Godofredo L. Liban III, Ramon P. Medalla, Ranulfo Z. Ludovica, Estrella C. Valmocina, Jose Mario Don S. De Leon, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Raquel S. Malañgen, Irene R. Belmonte, Ivy Xenia L. Lagman, Marra C. Suntay, Hero Clarence M. Bautista, Karl Edgar C. Castelo, Julienne Alyson Rae V. Medalla, Godofredo T. Liban II, Andres Jose G. Yllana, Jr., Allan Butch T. Francisco, Marivic Co-Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Donato C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina and Ricardo B. Corpuz.*

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the Constitution provides that: "The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them";

WHEREAS, *Philstar.com* on 23 August 2015 reported that the Coalition of Clean Air Advocates of the Philippines said the monstrous traffic jams aggravate the deadly effects of unabated motor vehicle emissions on the health and lives of people living in the metropolis; >

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WHEREAS, Dr. Leo Olarte, Chairman of the Coalition of Clean Air Advocates of the Philippines claimed that if you are a patient with cardiovascular ailments or predisposed to it, the intensive particulate matter or soot exposure that you can be subjected to when caught in traffic jams for several hours can trigger episodes of heart attack, stroke, or even death;

WHEREAS, Dr. Olarte cited data from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) which showed that eighty percent (80%) of air pollution in the National Capital Region can be directly traced to unabated emissions of motor vehicles;

WHEREAS, rampant corruption in the emission testing of motor vehicles, which is under the control of the Land Transportation Office (LTO), is also reportedly a major reason why Metro Manila is plagued with smoke-belching motor vehicles;

WHEREAS, the Congress, in consultation with the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC) and the LTO, must identify the policies needed to address the alleged corruption in emission testing centers in order to better reduce the problem of pollution.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to urge, as it does hereby urge both Houses of Congress to conduct an inquiry on the implementation of Republic Act No. 8749, otherwise known as the Clean Air Act of 1999, based on the reported corrupt practices in vehicle emission testing centers that perpetuates the pollution problem caused by Metro Manila traffic congestions. X

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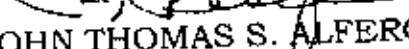
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RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished the Senate President, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Chairperson of the Committee on Environment of both Houses of Congress, for appropriate action.

ADOPTED: June 13, 2017.



MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on June 13, 2017 and was CONFIRMED on June 27, 2017.


Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III

