

## Republic of the Philippines OUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City 20<sup>th</sup> City Council

PR20CC-391

33rd Regular Session

RESOLUTION NO. SP. 7166, S-2017

A RESOLUTION URGING THE NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (NDRRMC) TO INCLUDE "POST-DISASTER RECOVERY" OF THOUSAND OF FAMILIES LEFT HOMELESS IN FIRE-RAZED COMMUNITIES.

Introduced by Councilor ALLAN BUTCH T, FRANCISCO. Co-Introduced by Councilors Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Lena Marie P. Juico, Elizabeth A. Delarmente, 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, Roderick M. Paulate, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Gian Carlo G. Sotto, Jose Mario Don S. De Leon, Franz S. Pumaren, Eufemio C. Lagumbay, Raquel S. Malangen, 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., Marivic Co-Pilar, Melencio "Bobby" T. Castelo, Jr., Rogelio "Roger" P. Juan, Diorella Maria G. Sotto, Donato C. Matias, Eric Z. Medina and Ricardo B. Corpuz.

WHEREAS, the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), formerly known as the National Disaster Coordinating Council (NDCC), serves as the President's adviser on disaster preparedness programs, disaster operations and rehabilitation efforts undertaken by the government and the private sector;

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WHEREAS, on rehabilitation and recovery programs, only victims of natural calamities such as typhoons, floods, landslides and earthquakes are given fund assistance from the council;

WHEREAS, when an entire community is burned to the ground, then it should also qualify for national assistance, adding that unlike in natural calamities which "leave something to build on", a man-made calamity, such as fire destroys everything;

WHEREAS, in Barangay Pinyahan, Quezon City a fire that lasted more than six hours engulfed a residential area, leaving one woman dead and leaving an estimated 1,000 families homeless last December 29, 2016. In Navotas City, 1,200 families were left homeless when a fire broke out in a residential area at around 4:00 a.m. sometime in November 2016;

WHEREAS, assisting the victims requires resources which are beyond the capacity of the local governments to provide. In extending financial aid to fire-razed communities, funding is not a problem based on the current status of the NDRRMC, which has billions left in it and the authority to grant assistance is also in place because large-scale fire falls under "catastrophes" which, under the special provisions on its use, the NDRRMC can be applied to;

WHEREAS, if the gutted community needs to be relocated, especially if the victims are informal dwellers, the NDRRMC will be a big help in in-city rebuilding or near-city relocation.

WHEREAS, this proposal to use calamity fund covers only massive conflagrations, in which hundreds of homes are lost, and victims are in thousands.

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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 National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) to include "Post-Disaster Recovery" of thousands of families left homeless in fire-razed communities

ADOPTED: July 3, 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 July 3, 2017 and was CONFIRMED on July 17, 2017.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Gov t. Asst. Dept. Head III