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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 14
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**CREATING THE LOCAL INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE (LIAC)
FOR WATERWAYS AND DANGER AREAS**

WHEREAS, Article 51 of Presidential Decree No. 1067, also known as the "*Water Code of the Philippines*," explicitly forbids the building of any permanent structure within three (3) meters of the banks of rivers, streams, and the shores of seas and lakes in urban areas like Metro Manila as these areas are reserved for public use;

WHEREAS, Section 29 of Republic Act 7279, or the "*Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992*," mandates Local Government Units (LGUs) and the National Housing Authority (NHA), in coordination with other government agencies, to relocate and resettle persons living in danger areas such as riverbanks, waterways, among others and provide relocation and resettlement sites and basic services and facilities, access to employment and livelihood opportunities sufficient to meet the basic needs of the affected families;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10121, also known as the "*Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010*," states that it is the policy of the State to adopt a disaster risk reduction and management approach that is holistic, comprehensive, integrated, and proactive in reducing the socioeconomic and environmental impacts of disasters, including climate change, and one that encourages the involvement and participation of all sectors and all stakeholders concerned, at all levels, especially at the local level;

WHEREAS, Section 2(c) of Republic Act No. 7160, also known as the "*Local Government Code of 1991*," declares it a policy of the State to require all national agencies and offices to routinely consult with appropriate local government units, non-governmental and people's organizations, and other concerned sectors of the community before any project or program is implemented within their respective jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City Government sees the need to consolidate and coordinate the efforts of both national and local agencies to produce a comprehensive program that would address the plight of informal settler families (ISFs) in waterways and danger areas deemed highly vulnerable and at risk;

WHEREAS, the creation of a Local Inter-Agency Committee (LIAC) is deemed necessary in order to provide the overall direction, facilitate the formulation of policies and implementation of the program;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, Mayor of Quezon City, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Creation of the Local Inter-Agency Committee (LIAC). There is hereby created a LIAC which shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson	: City Mayor, to be represented by the Secretary to the Mayor
Co-Chairperson	: Head, Quezon City Department of Building Official
Vice Chairperson	: Head, Housing Community Development and Resettlement Department (HCDRD)
Member-Representatives from various Agencies/ Departments	: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quezon City Legal Department 2. Quezon City Task Force on Control, Prevention, and Removal of Illegal Structures and Squatting (TF COPRISS) 3. Quezon City Engineering Department 4. Quezon City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office 5. Quezon City Task Force of Solid Waste Management 6. Quezon City Social Services Development Department 7. Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Offices to be represented by DILG-QC/DILG-CLRG 8. Commission on Human Rights - National Capital Region (CHR-NCR) 9. Presidential Commission on Urban Poor (PCUP) 10. National Housing Authority (NHA) 11. Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) 12. Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) 13. Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) 14. Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development (DHSUD) 15. Social Housing Finance Corporation (SHFC) 16. Pasig River Rehabilitation Commission (PRRC)
Honorary Members	: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Punong Barangay of the affected area 2. One (1) city-accredited representative of Peoples' Organization of the affected community
Secretariat	: Quezon City Housing Community Development and Resettlement Department (HCDRD)

Other National Government Agencies (NGAs) and local departments or offices may be invited as members or resource persons to the LIAC, when warranted.

SECTION 2. Functions of the LIAC. The roles and functions of the LIAC shall include the following:

- 2.1. Facilitate the census and tagging of identified areas along waterways and danger areas to be recovered from ISFs;

- 2.2. Conduct consultation with affected communities as prescribed by the law;
- 2.3. Facilitate the voluntary and humane relocation of informal settlers living along waterways and danger areas in accordance with the provisions of Republic Act 7279 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR);
- 2.4. Facilitate all evictions and demolitions, including voluntary, summary, out-of-court settlement or court-ordered;
- 2.5. Adopt measures to curtail the nefarious activities of professional squatters and squatting syndicates, recommend institution of legal or judicial process for their lawful eviction or relocation;
- 2.6. Adopt measures to minimize impact/s on possible loss of livelihood for affected families;
- 2.7. Ensure the efficient operations of the recovery project;
- 2.8. Provide relocation plans for the NHA, Quezon City Housing Project and People's Plan;
- 2.9. Assist in the removal of the ISFs in accordance with the ZERO casualty program of the government;
- 2.10. Assist in the implementation of all infrastructure projects of the DPWH and the City Engineering Department and projects of the PRRC after the removal of the ISFs;
- 2.11. Convene and conduct meetings every other week or at least twice a month or as may be deemed necessary by the Chairperson.

SECTION 3. Creation of the LIAC Sub-Committees. To enable the LIAC to perform its various duties and responsibilities effectively and efficiently, five (5) sub-committees shall be organized namely: Social Preparation and Relocation Sub-Committee, Resettlement Planning and Implementation Sub-Committee, Beneficiary Selection, Arbitration and Awards Sub-Committee, Community Development Sub-Committee, and Estate Management Sub-Committee.

Members of the respective Sub-Committees are to be determined by the LIAC. NGAs and local departments or offices may also be invited as members or resource persons.

SECTION 4. Functions of the LIAC Sub-Committees. The Sub-Committees shall perform the following roles and functions:

4.1. Social Preparation and Relocation Sub-Committee

- 4.1.1. Facilitate information, education and communication (IEC) activities;
- 4.1.2. Develop framework for community consultation and multi-stakeholders' participation;
- 4.1.3. Formulate the Relocation and Resettlement Action Plan (RRAP);
- 4.1.4. Endorse Relocation and Resettlement package entitlements;
- 4.1.5. Recommend standards for the preparation of work plan and budget;
- 4.1.6. Facilitate orderly, peaceful and humane relocation/transfer to permanent housing.

4.2. Resettlement Planning and Implementation Sub-Committee

- 4.2.1. Determine the magnitude and scope of resettlement requirements;
- 4.2.2. Identify resettlement sites and other alternative housing programs and prepare development plans;
- 4.2.3. Coordinate with receiving LGU, if off-city, and utility/service providers;
- 4.2.4. Recommend acquisition and development of possible housing site;
- 4.2.5. Recommend total budgetary requirements of the entire resettlement program.

4.3. Beneficiary Selection, Arbitration and Awards Sub-Committee

- 4.3.1. Ensure/ Facilitate appropriate social mapping methodology for household profiling (socio-economic survey, tagging and census operation/validation, occupancy verification);
- 4.3.2. Initiate validation of census list of households;
- 4.3.3. Formulate Code of Policies on Beneficiary Selection, Arbitration and Awards for approval of the LIAC;
- 4.3.4. Deliberate/ Arbitrate/ Resolve census claims;
- 4.3.5. Recommend pre-qualification of Households against HCDRD and NHA Data Base of socialized housing beneficiaries;
- 4.3.6. Endorse the final list of households qualified for permanent housing.

4.4. Community Development Sub-Committee

- 4.4.1. Ensures the implementation and sustainability of socio-economic programs and services;
- 4.4.2. Formulate and recommend community development and management plan;
- 4.4.3. Formulate and recommend best practices on how to organize/strengthen community-based structures.

4.5. Estate Management Sub-Committee

- 4.5.1. Formulate and Recommend disposition policies/tenurial arrangements/collection/disengagement.

SECTION 5. Role of the Representatives of LIAC and its Sub-Committees. Member-agencies shall designate permanent and alternate representatives to the LIAC and its Sub-Committees. LIAC members shall act as focal persons of their respective agencies or organizations to ensure the delivery of programs and projects or assistance based on their agencies' mandates.

SECTION 6. Role of the Secretariat. The HCDRD shall provide secretariat services to the LIAC and its Sub-Committees. Accordingly, it shall assist in the conduct of meetings, take charge of communications and notices, prepare reports and take custody of all records, data information and documents of the LIAC.

SECTION 7. Voting Rights of All Representatives in LIAC. Decisions of the LIAC shall be made through a consensus. In the event no consensus is obtained, the majority votes of LIAC members shall constitute the final decision.

SECTION 8. Funding. Funds for the operations of the LIAC Executive Committee and its Sub-Committees shall be allocated from the available appropriation under the Office of the Mayor. The LIAC shall submit its budgetary requirements within thirty (30) days from its organization.


SECTION 9. Separability Clause. The Provisions of this Executive Order are hereby declared separable and in the event that any such provision is declared unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 10. Dissemination. A copy of this Executive Order shall be furnished to the Office of the President and the MMDA for information and guidance, pursuant to Sec. 455 (1) (xii) of RA 7160, as amended, and shall be posted at the official website of the Quezon City Government.

SECTION 11. Repealing Clause. All previous issuances inconsistent with any provision found herein shall be deemed repealed, revoked or amended accordingly.

SECTION 12. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, 11 August 2022, Quezon City.


MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
City Mayor