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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 3
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**CREATING AND CONSTITUTING THE
GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, Melchora Aquino, most popularly known as "Tandang Sora" and a key figure in the Philippine Revolution, is recognized as the "Mother of the Philippine Revolution", compassionately offering shelter and medical aid to Katipuneros despite her old age;

WHEREAS, Tandang Sora, in her acts of compassion towards the Katipuneros during the war, she has exhibited virtues such as Katapatan (Honesty), Kasipagan (Industry), Paglilingkod (Service), Palabra De Honor (Word of Honor), Kagandahang Loob (Kindness), Mapagmalasakit (Caring), Pagkalinga (Protectiveness) and Katapangan (Bravery), all worth emulating by women of all colors and ages;

WHEREAS, Tandang Sora, a native of Banlat, Quezon City is a true heroine who has always been a noble source of national pride for the Quezon City citizenry and honor for all Filipinos everywhere in the world;

WHEREAS, the Quezon City, in its efforts to give perpetual honor to her native daughter, Tandang Sora, the Tandang Sora Awards will be given to outstanding Filipino women who exhibit the same values as the revolutionary Melchora "Tandang Sora" Aquino, in their contribution toward social development;

WHEREAS, the conferment of Gawad Tandang Sora Award to outstanding women in Quezon City is in consonance with the declared policy of the city government to ensure and support among other things the cultivation of patriotism and nationalism in every resident and the promotion and preservation of Filipino culture;

WHEREAS, it is significant for Quezon City residents, especially the youth to be educated about the achievements and virtues of Tandang Sora, being a Quezon City native;

WHEREAS, there is a need to constitute a committee and its selection board that shall prepare, coordinate and initiate a synchronized series of events and activities in connection with the annual **GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD**;

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

SECTION 1. CONSTITUTION AND COMPOSITION. The **GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD COMMITTEE** is hereby created and organized to facilitate the preparation and execution of activities for the annual **GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD**, to be composed of the following:

Chairperson	:	City Mayor
Vice Chairperson	:	Vice Mayor
Members	:	Head, Gender and Development Council Office Head, Tourism Department Head, QC Center for Children with Disabilities (KABAHAGI) Head, Social Services Development Department Head, Office of the Senior Citizens' Affairs Head, Persons with Disability Affairs Office Head, National Commission on Indigenous Peoples Two (2) honorary members from the academe Two (2) representatives from an accredited NGO/PO advocating women's and children's rights

1.1 The City Mayor may appoint additional members as necessary.

SECTION 2. SELECTION BOARD, ACTION OFFICER AND SECRETARIAT. The SELECTION BOARD shall be composed of the Tourism Department in coordination with the Gender and Development Council Office, is hereby tasked to oversee the selection process of the awardee/s and the conferment of the awards. The Tourism Department shall also act as the Secretariat and Action Officer of the GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD COMMITTEE.

2.1 The members of the GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD COMMITTEE shall provide assistance and act as members of the Selection Board.

2.2 The Secretariat shall receive and coordinate all correspondence relating to the Committee. The Office of the City Mayor and any other involved offices or departments shall also provide such other administrative or technical assistance as the Action Officer may require from time to time.

SECTION 3. FUNCTIONS. The GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD COMMITTEE shall perform the following functions, duties and responsibilities:

- a.) Develop and adopt an over-all theme for the GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD;
- b.) Confer awards and recognitions to outstanding women for their selfless contributions and sacrifice that served as an inspiration to the residents of the City and contributed and led to the immeasurable progress and development of the City;
- c.) Produce appropriate institutional communication and publicity materials related to the GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD, including but not limited to audio-visual materials, souvenir programs and or token, brochures and other related materials;
- d.) Identify and mobilize private sector partners and resources to support the various GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD events and activities;

e.) Coordinate all efforts of participating Departments, Offices and Operating Units in the implementation of their **GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD** related programs and activities;

f.) Provide the required budgetary and logistical requirements of participating Departments, Offices and Operating Units, subject to the availability of funds and the generally accepted accounting and auditing principles, rules and regulations.

SECTION 4. CRITERIA OF AWARDEE/S. - The rationale for the selection of the awardee/s shall be their outstanding contribution to the city and/or the country in the field of:

- 4.1 Social work,
- 4.2 Women empowerment and development,
- 4.3 Community development, and
- 4.4 Social development.

4.5 The awardees should embody the virtues of Melchora "Tandang Sora" Aquino such as the Katapatan (Honesty), Kasipagan (Industry), Paglilingkod (Service), Palabra De Honor (Word of Honor), Kagandahang Loob (Kindness), Mapagmalasakit (Caring), Pagkalinga (Protectiveness) and Katapangan (Bravery).

4.6 The **GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD SELECTION BOARD** is hereby directed to submit to the Office of the City Mayor for approval, a list of nominees for the two (2) honorary members from the academe and two (2) honorary members from the accredited NGO/PO advocating women's and children's rights.


SECTION 5. OPERATIONAL FUND. The Operational Fund for **GAWAD TANDANG SORA AWARD** activity shall be charged against the 2023 appropriations under the Office of the City Mayor.

SECTION 6. DISSEMINATION. A copy of this Executive Order shall be furnished to the Office of the President and the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) for information and guidance, pursuant to Section 455(1) (xii) of RA 7160, as amended, and shall be posted at the official website of the Quezon City Government.

SECTION 7. REPEALING CLAUSE. All orders and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, 10 January 2023, Quezon City.


MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
City Mayor