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RESOLUTION NO. SP- **10317**, S-2025

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HONORABLE MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, TO OPEN A DEPOSITORY BANK ACCOUNT AT THE LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES – QUEZON CITY HALL BRANCH FOR THE SPECIAL HEALTH FUND (SHF), PURSUANT TO JOINT MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2021-0001

Introduced by Councilors KRISTINE ALEXIA MATIAS, RN and MIKEY F. BELMONTE

Co-Introduced by Councilors Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Joseph P. Juico, Charm Ferrer, CPA, MPA, JD, Candy A. Medina, Atty. Voltaire Godofredo "Bong" Liban III, Aly Medalla, Dave C. Valmocina, Ranulfo "Tatay Rannie" Z. Ludovica, Atty. Christoffer Allan "Tope" Liquigan, Albert Alvin "Chuckie" L. Antonio III, Don S. De Leon, Atty. Vicente Belmonte Jr., Edgar "Egay" G. Yap, Nanette Castelo Daza, Imee Rillo, Atty. Jesus Miguel Suntay, Raquel S. Malañgen, Joseph Joe Visaya, Alfred Vargas, MPA, Karl Edgar Castelo, Shaira "Shay" L. Liban, Ram V. Medalla, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Victor "Vic" D. Bernardo, Vito Sotto Generoso, Erwin Rey "Cocoy" A. Medina, Jose Maria "Mari" M. Rodriguez and Jhon Angelli "Sami" C. Neri

WHEREAS, Quezon City has committed to organize its local health systems into a City-Wide Health System (CWHS) by entering into a Tripartite Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Health (DOH) and the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) on September 30, 2024, aimed at ensuring an integrated system that delivers seamless, high-quality, efficient, and affordable healthcare for all;

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WHEREAS, Section 20 of Republic Act No. 11223, otherwise known as the Universal Health Care (UHC) Act provides that the CWSHS shall pool and manage all resources intended for health services through a Special Health Fund (SHF), which shall finance population-based and individual-based health services, health system operating costs, capital investments, and remuneration and incentives for all health workers;

WHEREAS, Section 19 of the same UHC Act and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) provides that the City Health Board (CHB) shall set the overall policy direction and strategic thrusts for the integration of the local health system and assume full responsibility in the management of the SHF, ensuring that its utilization supports the attainment of improved health outcomes;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No. 2021-0001, entitled "Guidelines on the Allocation, Utilization, and Monitoring of, and Accountability for, the Special Health Fund," issued jointly by the Department of Health (DOH), Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Department of Finance (DOF), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and PhilHealth, local government units are mandated to establish a depository account for the SHF to ensure the proper pooling, accounting, and disbursement of all resources intended for health;

WHEREAS, Section VI(B) of the said JMC provides that the SHF shall be sourced from: (1) national government agency transfers (e.g., DOH); (2) PhilHealth payments; and (3) grants, donations, and contributions from domestic and international development partners;

WHEREAS, Section VI(F) of JMC 2021-0001 further provides that the financial management of the SHF must be consistent with existing budgeting, accounting, and auditing laws, and that local government units shall submit financial and performance reports to ensure transparency and accountability in fund utilization;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 455(b)(1)(vi) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the City Mayor shall represent the City in all its business transactions and sign in its behalf all bonds, contracts, and obligations, and such other documents upon authority of the Sangguniang Panlungsod or pursuant to law or ordinance.

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NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to authorize, as it does hereby authorize, the City Mayor, Honorable Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte, to open a Depository Bank Account at the Land Bank of the Philippines – Quezon City Hall Branch for the Special Health Fund (SHF), pursuant to Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2021-0001.

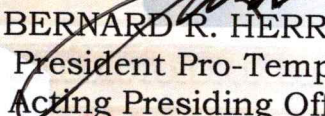
RESOLVED FURTHER, that the said account shall be maintained solely for the purpose of receiving, pooling, and managing SHF resources from the DOH, PhilHealth, and other lawful sources, and that all disbursements shall be made in accordance with existing government budgeting, accounting, and auditing regulations;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the City Mayor, Quezon City Health Department, City Treasurer's Office, Department of Health, Philippine Health Insurance Corporation, Department of Finance, and the Land Bank of the Philippines – Quezon City Hall Branch for information, guidance, and appropriate action.


ADOPTED: December 3, 2025.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was ADOPTED by the City Council on Second Reading on December 3, 2025 and was CONFIRMED on December 10, 2025.


BERNARD R. HERRERA
President Pro-Tempore
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


ATTY. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS, III
City Government Department Head III
(Secretary to the Sanggunian)

