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QUEZON CITY COUNCIL

Quezon City
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RESOLUTION NO. SP-10383, S-2026

A RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING THE MANILA ELECTRIC COMPANY (MERALCO), ALL TELECOMMUNICATION COMPANIES, CABLE TELEVISION PROVIDERS, INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND ALL OTHER PRIVATE ENTITIES WITH EXISTING UTILITY WIRES, TO RESOLVE AND IMPLEMENT AN IMMEDIATE ACTION FOR THE INSPECTION, CLEARANCE, AND ORGANIZING OF TANGLED AERIAL POWER AND DATA LINES, KNOWN AS "SPAGHETTI WIRES," SITUATED WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY

Introduced by Councilor ALFRED VARGAS, MPA

Co-Introduced by Councilors Tany Joe "TJ" L. Calalay, Bernard R. Herrera, Dorothy A. Delarmente, M.D., Joseph P. Juico, Charm Ferrer, CPA, MPA, JD, Nicole "Nikki" V. Crisologo, Candy A. Medina, Atty. Voltaire Godofredo "Bong" Liban III, Aly Medalla, Dave C. Valmocina, Ranulfo "Tatay Rannie" Z. Ludovica, Geleen "Dok G" Lumbad, Atty. Christoffer Allan "Tope" Liquigan, Albert Alvin "Chuckie" L. Antonio III, Wencerom Benedict C. Lagumbay, Don S. De Leon, Luigi D. Pumaren, Atty. Vicente Belmonte Jr., Edgar "Egay" G. Yap, Nanette Castelo Daza, Imee Rillo, Joseph Joe Visaya, Karl Edgar Castelo, Shaira "Shay" L. Liban, Ram V. Medalla, Maria Eleanor "Doc Ellie" R. Juan, O.D., Emmanuel Banjo A. Pilar, Kristine Alexia Matias, RN, 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, as the largest and most populous city in the National Capital Region, strives for urban excellence, safety, and modern infrastructure that reflects its status as a highly competitive and livable city;

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WHEREAS, the persistent presence of highly disorganized, tangled, and excessive aerial cables and wires, commonly known as “spaghetti wires,” affects numerous streets and thoroughfares across Quezon City and poses safety risks to residents, pedestrians, and motorists most especially during natural hazards such as strong typhoons, intense rainfall, and seismic activity;

WHEREAS, Manila Electric Company (MERALCO), being the primary utility provider and owner of physical poles, bears the primary responsibility to ensure the safety of the people living, residing, and traversing the roads of Quezon City through proper maintenance and management of their electrical infrastructure;

WHEREAS, MERALCO owns majority of physical poles and allows the re-attachment of third-party lines to its distribution poles through joint-use agreements. However, a grave systemic problem has emerged where telecommunication and cable companies attach their fiber optic and coaxial wires haphazardly, without regard to structural integrity or technical order;

WHEREAS, these unregulated attachments frequently disregard the mandatory safety clearances and installation standards set forth by the Philippine Electrical Code (PEC), leading to “over-stressed” poles, tangled bundles that trap heat, and dangerously low-hanging cables that snag on passing vehicles;

WHEREAS, the local government recognizes the urgent need for MERALCO, as well as the telecommunication companies, cable television providers, internet service providers, and all other private entities with existing utility wires to take immediate action to resolve these issues in coordination with local authorities.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, to strongly urge, as it does hereby strongly urge, the Manila Electric Company (MERALCO), all telecommunication companies, cable television providers, internet service providers, and all other private entities with existing utility wires, to resolve and implement an immediate action for the inspection, clearance, and organizing of tangled aerial power and data lines, known as “spaghetti wires,” situated within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City.

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RESOLVED FURTHER, that the MERALCO be furnished a copy of this Resolution.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that Telecommunication Companies, Cable Television Providers, Internet Service Providers, and all other private entities with existing utility wires also be furnished a copy of this Resolution.


ADOPTED: February 23, 2026.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Resolution was ADOPTED by the City Council on Second Reading on February 23, 2026 and was CONFIRMED on March 2, 2026.


MIKEY F. BELMONTE
City Councilor
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


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



