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WHEREAS, the late Ramon D. Bagatsing had faithfully led and loyally served Manila as its longest-ever-serving Mayor from 1972-1986 and is revered as one of our city's most-loved, well-respected iconic leaders;

WHEREAS, great strides were achieved in the governance of the country's premier city during Bagatsing's time, especially concerning the welfare of the people of Manila;

WHEREAS, the late Mayor Bagatsing spearheaded, and substantially expanded, the city's Land-for-the-Landless Program, advanced the cause of education by championing the city's schools, scholarships, students and teachers, pioneered the Barangay System of Manila, as well as the country, and established many vital City Offices such as the Manila Barangay Bureau, Manila Sports Council, Manila Youth Bureau and Manila Tourism and Cultural Affairs Bureau, among others, which are forerunners of their current corresponding city departments.

WHEREAS, a staunch advocate and true defender of freedom, liberty and democracy, Bagatsing willingly sacrificed and risked literally life and limb for God, country and capital city as the only ever person in history to survive both the infamous Bataan Death March of 1941 during World War II and the tragedy of the Plaza Miranda Bombing in 1971;

WHEREAS, before becoming the longtime Mayor of Manila, Bagatsing had served with distinction for ten (10) years at the House of Representatives as Congressman representing the then-Third District of Manila, having been elected to Philippine Congress on three occasions (1957-1961, 1961-1965, 1969-1971);

WHEREAS, a seasoned lawyer and member of the Philippine Bar, Bagatsing was appointed and became a member of the Executive Cabinet as Chairman of the Presidential Agency on Reforms and Government Operations (PARGO) from 1967-1969, that functioned similarly to the present-day Office of the Ombudsman. It was here Bagatsing earned his immortal moniker "The Incorruptible", for his unwavering stand and fight against graft and corruption;

WHEREAS, Bagatsing was one of the earliest pioneers of the Manila's Finest, having dutifully served the city as a patrolman and then as a policeman in 1939;

WHEREAS, Bagatsing is a decorated war veteran, who bravely fought for the liberation of the country as a devoted soldier and as a guerilla officer during the Japanese Invasion and Occupation of the Philippines in the Second World War:

WHEREAS, for his accomplished record of achievements as a public servant, leader, chief executive, legislator, lawyer, war veteran, law enforcer, graft-buster, religious layman and champion of the poor, Bagatsing has received over a thousand awards, honors, medals, plaques of recognition and appreciation and other citations;

WHEREAS, like most of Manila's late distinguished Leaders and Mayors, Bagatsing is truly deserving of a tangible, institutional, concrete and lasting honor, symbol and testament for his significant contribution to our beloved City;

WHEREAS, meanwhile, it is only proper and certainly fitting that the City of Manila give tribute to the late Mayor Ramon Bagatsing on his birth anniversary: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to commemorate, as it hereby commemorates the meaningful legacy and life of the Late Manila Mayor Ramon D. Bagatsing on his 106th Birth Anniversary this 19th of August 2022; and be it FURTHER

RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be furnished the Bagatsing Family, the Office of the Mayor, the Barangays of the City, as well as its Public School and Higher Learning Institutions, the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs of Manila (DTCAM) and the Manila South Cernetery.

PRESIDED BY:

OHN MARVIN C. "Yul Servo" NIETO
Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer
City Council, Manila

This Resolution was adopted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session on August 18, 2022.

ATTESTED:

City Government Department Head III

(Secretary to the City Council)

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