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RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE FIRST LADY MARIE LOUISE "LIZA" ARANETA-MARCOS FOR HER ACCESSIBLE HEALTHCARE INITIATIVE, THE "LAB FOR ALL" CARAVAN PROJECT, AND FOR CHOOSING THE BASECO COMPOUND, DISTRICT V IN PORT AREA MANILA, AS ITS FIRST BENEFICIARY OF THE PROGRAM IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION, HELD ON JULY 25, 2023

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WHEREAS, Marie Louise "Liza" Araneta is the wife of the 17th President of the Philippines, Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr., and by virtue thereof, she automatically becomes the First Lady of the republic;

WHEREAS, First Lady Marie Louise "Liza" Araneta-Marcos was born in the City of Manila on the 21st of August 1959 and as a lawyer, she taught in both the Far Eastern University in Sampaloc, Manila and Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila in Intramuros, Manila;

WHEREAS, she averred once that: "The government must bring health care to the people. We should make it easy for them because a healthy community is a productive community", placing the realization of the Republic Act No. 11223 also known as the "Universal Health Care Act" as the onus of the government;

WHEREAS, President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos, Jr. stated that: "We must bring medical services to the people and not wait for them to come to our hospitals", a call to action for government agencies and public servants to make public healthcare accessible to Filipino citizens in need;

WHEREAS, Section 3 (a)(b) of the Republic Act No. 11223 also known as the "Universal Health Care Act" states that its objective is to systematically improve the health care in the country and ensure equitable access of Filipino citizens to quality health care services unaccompanied by financial risk;

WHEREAS, "Lab for All" is a mobile laboratory, pharmaceutical, and health services project which is the initiative of the First Lady in partnership with the Department of Health (DOH), the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth), the Ayala Healthcare Holdings, Inc., and the Sagip Party-list;

WHEREAS, the Baseco Compound in Barangay 649, Zone 68, Port Area, 5th District of Manila is the 8th beneficiary and first beneficiary in the National Capital Region of the "Lab for All" project, among other beneficiaries located around the country where it was held at the Benigno S. Aquino Elementary School;

WHEREAS, the First Lady has shown exemplary performance and willingness to serve her constituents being Manila-born and extending the reach of government services to citizens who are marginalized or indigent: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to commend, as it hereby commends the First Lady Marie Louise "Liza" Araneta-Marcos for her accessible healthcare initiative, the "Lab for All" caravan project, and for choosing the Baseco Compound, District V in Port Area Manila, as its first beneficiary of the program in the National Capital Region, held on July 25, 2023.

PRESIDED BY:

JOHN 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 July 25, 2023.

ATTESTED:

LUCH R. GEMPIS, JR.
City Government Department Head III
(Secretary to the City Council)

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