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## **RESOLUTION NO. 582**

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**RESOLUTION** EXPRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL OF MANILA'S CONCERN AND SOLIDARITY REGARDING THE ONGOING ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT AND ITS IMPACT ON FILIPINOS ABROAD AND AT HOME

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WHEREAS, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is a long-standing political and territorial dispute with historical, religious, and socio-economic repercussion globally;

WHEREAS, the City Council of Manila is deeply concerned about the well-being and safety of Filipinos abroad, including the approximately 30,000 Filipinos in Israel and 131 Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) in Hamas-Run Gaza;

WHEREAS, the Filipino diaspora, which spreads across the globe, is testament to our resilience and adaptability, and the situation of our fellow Filipinos in conflict zones is of significant concern to the people of Manila and the Philippines as a whole:

WHEREAS, it is imperative to understand the complexities and historical intricacies of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict in order to better empathize with and support the affected populations, including our fellow Filipinos;

WHEREAS, the City Council of Manila believes in the universal principles of peace, justice, and human rights, and advocates for their realization across the globe: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to express, as it hereby expresses the City Council of Manila's concern and solidarity regarding the ongoing Israeli-Palestinian conflict and its impact on Filipinos abroad and at home: and be it FUTHER

RESOLVED, that the City of Manila:

- 1. Expresses its deep concern for the safety and well-being of Filipinos affected by the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and calls for their protection and support.
- 2. Calls for a peaceful resolution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict by urging all parties involved to engage in dialogue and negotiations to prioritize the well-being of civilians and realization of human rights.
- 3. Encourages its constituents to educate themselves about the complexities of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and to understand its history and the experience of those affected.
- 4. Urges the national government to continue monitoring the situation and provide assistance to Filipinos affected by conflict.
- 5. Reiterates its commitment to international peace, justice, and solidarity and pledges support to the initiatives and actions that further these principles.

PRESIDED BY:

RODRIGUEZ

Acting Presiding Officer

City Council, Manila

This Resolution was adopted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session on November 23, 2023.

LUCH R. GEMPIS, JR.

ESTED:

City Government Department Head III (Secretary to the City Council)

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