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**RESOLUTION NO. 270
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RESOLUTION CELEBRATING AND SUPPORTING THE WORLD IMMUNIZATION WEEK 2024 BY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ENTITLED: "50 YEARS OF IMMUNIZATION: KAPAG BAKUNA AY KUMPLETO, LAHAT PROTEKTADO!", OCCURRING ON THE 24TH TO THE 30TH OF APRIL 2024

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HON. IRMA C. ALFONSO-JUSON

and

**HON. ERNESTO C. ISIP, JR.
Majority Floor Leader**



WHEREAS, the celebration of the World Immunization Week in 2024 marks 50 years of the Expanded Program on Immunization or Essential Programme on Immunization (EPI), an initiative launched by the World Health Organization (WHO) in 1974 wherein six (6) preventable childhood diseases were targeted to fight and prevent childhood mortality;

WHEREAS, the EPI, starting from six (6) diseases, has expanded to thirteen (13) vaccines covering diseases that a person may be afflicted with, and seventeen (17) other inoculations based on the context of the recipient of the vaccines;

WHEREAS, the cases of vaccine-preventable diseases has steadily decreased, and the hospitalizations and deaths occurring from such diseases have also showed proportionate decreases, which are largely attributed to wide vaccine coverages in the population and high vaccine coverage from infancy throughout childhood;

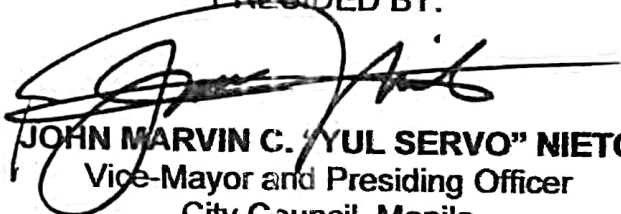
WHEREAS, reemergence of previously eradicated diseases and proliferation of vaccine-preventable diseases may be attributed to access, low vaccination coverage, and vaccine hesitancy coupled with the anti-vaccine movement, in which people question the efficacy and relevance of vaccines, purporting that vaccines have negative physiological effects;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health Undersecretary Dr. Teodoro J. Herbosa, in view of the local campaign for immunization of the Department of Health (DOH), expressed that vaccines remain relevant to the Philippines as it had allowed the country to eradicate poliovirus, maternal and neonatal tetanus: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to celebrate and support, as it hereby celebrates and supports the World Immunization Week 2024 by the World Health Organization and the Department of Health entitled: "50 Years of Immunization: Kapag Bakuna ay Kumpleto, Lahat Protektado!", occurring on the 24th to the 30th of April 2024; and be it FURTHER

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to the office of City Health Officer Dr. Arnold M. Pangan of the Manila Health Department (MHD) and the Manila Public Information Office (MPIO).

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 April 23, 2024.

ATTESTED:


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