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**RESOLUTION** CONGRATULATING THE CITY OF MANILA AND OTHER CITIES IN THE COUNTRY FOR THE RECOGNITION CONFERRED BY 2024 OXFORD ECONOMICS GLOBAL CITIES INDEX AS THE LARGEST URBAN ECONOMIES IN THE WORLD

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WHEREAS, the 2024 Oxford Economics Global Cities Index has recognized nine cities in the country, including Manila, Cebu City, Cagayan de Oro, Davao City, Angeles City, Bacolod, Dagupan, Zamboanga, and General Santos as among the largest urban economies in the world;

WHEREAS, the City of Manila, being largest among the cities mentioned, has substantial strengths in economics and human capital but faces significant challenges in quality of life and governance;

WHEREAS, the insights provided by the index for each city highlight unique strengths and areas for improvement which can serve as valuable guides for strategic urban planning and resource allocation within their respective jurisdictions;

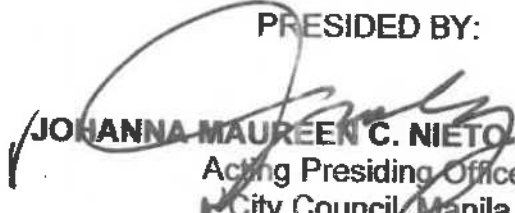
WHEREAS, to further strengthen the City of Manila's competitiveness and quality of life in response to its current standing, the following measures should be given consideration:

- Comprehensive urban development plan should be implemented focusing on addressing the identified weaknesses in quality of life and governance, while learning from the strengths and challenges of the other eight Philippine cities recognized in the index;
- Initiate the strengthening of human capital, attract investment and enhance economic productivity in Manila be prioritized, with an eye towards applications and synergies that could benefit the broader national urban network;
- Sustainable practices and policies be adopted across these cities to improve environmental standards, contributing to better living conditions and global environmental rankings;
- Establish ongoing review and adjustment mechanisms to ensure the effectiveness of implemented strategies and their alignment with global standards and expectations, with a specific focus on boosting the quality of life across these urban areas: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to congratulate, as it hereby congratulates the City of Manila and other cities in the country for the recognition conferred by 2024 Oxford Economics Global Cities Index as the largest urban economies in the world; and be it FURTHER


RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the respective city councils of Cebu City, Cagayan de Oro, Davao City, Angeles City, Bacolod, Dagupan, Zamboanga, and General Santos encouraging them to adopt similar resolutions and collaborative efforts tailored to their specific contexts and strengths.

PRESIDED BY:

  
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This Resolution was adopted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session on June 18, 2024.

ATTESTED:

  
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