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RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF MANILA UNDER THE STATE OF CALAMITY DUE TO TYPHOON "CARINA" AND TO ALLOW THE RELEASE OF THE CALAMITY FUNDS FOR HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT AND DISASTER RELIEF

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WHEREAS, Section 458 (a) (1) (iv) of Republic Act No. 7160, provides that: "the Sanggunian shall adopt measures to protect the inhabitants of the city from the harmful effects of man-made or natural disasters and calamities, and to provide relief services and assistance for victims during and in the aftermath of said disasters or calamities and in their return to productive livelihood following said events":

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2024, Typhoon "Carina" (Gaemi) entered the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) and left large portions of Metro Manila and nearby provinces intensely flooded due to the continuous overnight rains brought by the southwest monsoon which enhanced the typhoon. Said intense floods rendered several roads and streets across Metro Manila and nearby Luzon provinces, including the City of Manila, impassable and inaccessible to vehicles; (wherein flood waters reached from gutter to chest-deep levels, such as Finance Road, Nakpil, Kalaw and Padre Faura along Taft Avenue, United Nations Avenue, Ayala and España boulevards)

WHEREAS, reports reaching the Manila Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office (MDRRMO) indicated that many barangays in the city were affected by the typhoon, resulting to suspension of school classes and work in all government offices in National Capital Region (NCR);

WHEREAS, the flooding caused by the said weather condition displaced numerous families from different barangays of the City of Manila thereby disturbing their daily lives and affecting their means of livelihood. Thus necessitating the need for the City Government of Manila to provide immediate assistance;

WHEREAS, the Honorable City Mayor Maria Sheilah "Honey" H. Lacuna-Pangan, MD, FPDS, most requested the policy-making body of the city to declare Manila under the state of calamity due to the massive flooding and strong wind caused by the said typhoon;

WHEREAS, the present predicament calls for an expeditious, sound and responsive program on the part of the City Government of Manila so that immediate assistance be extended to the affected barangays and its constituents using their calamity funds:

WHEREAS, this august Body, upon assessment of the damage brought about by the weather disturbance, approved unanimously the declaration of a state of calamity: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to declare, as it hereby declares the City of Manila under the state of calamity due to typhoon "CARINA" and to allow the release of the calamity funds for humanitarian support and disaster relief; and be it FURTHER

RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Mayor, the Liga ng mga Barangay, the Manila Barangay Bureau (MBB) for speedy information and dissemination for legislative support purposes to facilitate the immediate release of barangay calamity funds thereof and the Manila Public Information Office (MPIO) for posting in their social media pages.



PRESIDED BY:

Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer City Council, Manila

This Resolution was adopted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session on July 24, 2024.

ATTESTED:

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