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RESOLUTION DECLARING NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA CONSOLACIÓN Y CORREA AS THE PATRONESS OF INTRAMUROS AND BESTOWING THE TITLE OF "QUEEN AND PROTECTRESS OF THE DISTINGUISHED AND EVER LOYAL CITY"

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WHEREAS, Miguel López de Legazpi declared the Walled City of Manila (Intramuros) as the new capital of the Spanish Colony on June 24, 1571, awarded a coat of arms and declared as "Distinguished and Ever Loyal City.";

WHEREAS, the Walled City of Manila (Intramuros) is not only the seat of government but also the center of faith where seven (7) Roman Catholic churches were built during the Spanish period. The oldest being San Agustin Church built in 1607 that has survived numerous natural disasters, the Philippine Revolution and the Second World War;

WHEREAS, the San Agustin Church is home to the centuries-old image of Nuestra Señora de la Consolación y Correa (Our Lady of Consolation and Cinture) whose veneration began in the 17th century under the auspices of the friars of the Order of St. Augustine and later on spread throughout the country;

WHEREAS, the devotion to Nuestra Señora de la Consolación y Correa and the religious customs and practices associated with it contributed greatly to the religious, social and cultural heritage of the Walled City of Manila (Intramuros);

WHEREAS, the Nuestra Señora de la Consolación y Correa of San Agustin Church became the silent witness to the colorful and tumultuous history of Intramuros and the whole nation itself;

WHEREAS, all the seven (7) original churches located within the area became casualties of the Second World War, except for San Agustin Church which remains standing to this day;

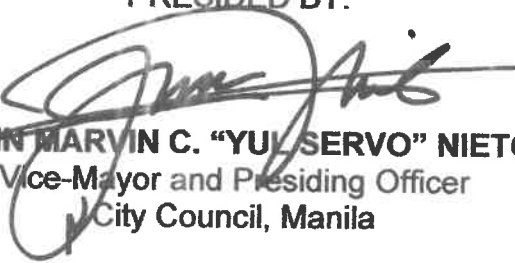
WHEREAS, the different religious congregations whose respective churches were ravaged by the war, decided to rebuild and relocate them to other parts of the metropolis. As a result, the image of Nuestra Señora de la Consolación y Correa has become the only Marian image that has been popularly and continuously venerated within the Walled City of Manila (Intramuros) for almost 400 years;

WHEREAS, in recognition of the antiquity of the devotion to Nuestra Señora de la Consolación y Correa and its significant role in the lives of her devotees from all over the Philippines, St. John Paul II, then Supreme Pontiff of the Roman Catholic Church, decreed the canonical coronation of the beloved image of Nuestra Señora de la Consolación y Correa which took place on September 4, 2000. On the same date, His Eminence Jaime L. Cardinal Sin, then Archbishop of Manila, declared San Agustin Church as the Archdiocesan Shrine of Our Lady of the Consolation and Cinture;

WHEREAS, the City Council of Manila recognizes the historical, cultural and social value of the centuries-old devotion of the people of the Walled City of Manila to Nuestra Señora de la Consolación y Correa and aims to instill among its citizens the appreciation and preservation of the city's rich history and cultural heritage: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to declare, as it hereby declares Nuestra Señora de la Consolación y Correa as the Patroness of Intramuros and bestowing the title of "Queen and Protectress of the Distinguished and Ever Loyal City".

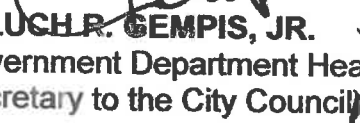
PRESIDED BY:



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 August 1, 2024.

ATTESTED:



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

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