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**RESOLUTION NO. 240
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RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MANILA FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S 2025 PROGRAM TO STRENGTHEN BASIC EDUCATION SERVICES THROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, ACCESS TO PRINTED LEARNING MATERIALS, AND ENHANCED SUBSIDIES FOR PRIVATE SCHOOL TEACHERS, INCLUDING THE COVERAGE OF ALL QUALIFIED PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF MANILA

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WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991". empowers local government units to enact measures that promote the general welfare of their constituents, including programs that enhance access to quality education;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9155 or the "Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001" designates the Department of Education (DepEd) as the primary authority responsible for basic education policy, school administration, and program implementation nationwide;

WHEREAS, during the Post-State of the Nation Address (SONA) 2025 Discussions, the Honorable Secretary of Education, Juan Edgardo "Sonny" Angara, announced the Department of Education's flagship 2025 program to strengthen basic education delivery through:

1. The deployment of administrative officers to public schools to reduce teachers' non-instructional workload;
2. The distribution of printed textbooks and learning materials to all public school students to address learning loss and improve access;
3. The increase in government subsidy for qualified private school teachers under the Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education (GASTPE) program, from Eighteen Thousand Pesos (PhP18,000.00) to Twenty-Four Thousand Pesos (PhP24,000.00), pursuant to Republic Act No. 6728 or the "Government Assistance to Students and Teachers In Private Education Act", as amended by Republic Act 8545 or the "Expanded Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education Act";

WHEREAS, the City of Manila, as a major education hub in the National Capital Region, is home to one hundred three (103) public schools (comprising seventy-one (71) elementary and thirty-two (32) secondary schools) and over two hundred sixty (260) registered private schools, serving a total of approximately two hundred sixty-seven thousand five hundred eighty-two (267,582) learners, based on the Schools Division of Manila's enrollment report as of July 2024;

WHEREAS, the city is likewise served by an estimated twelve thousand (12,000) public school teachers, all of whom will benefit from the administrative support program, and several thousand private school teachers across Manila's private education sector who stand to benefit from the enhanced GASTPE subsidy;

WHEREAS, these combined initiatives are aligned with the city government's commitment to improving access, equity, and quality in education, and supporting the welfare of both public and private sector educators and learners: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to express, as it hereby expresses its full support for the Department of Education's 2025 Program to strengthen basic education services through administrative support in public schools, access to printed learning materials, and enhanced subsidies for private school teachers, including the coverage of all qualified public and private schools in the City of Manila; and be it FURTHER

RESOLVED, to strongly encourage the Department of Education (DepEd) to ensure that all qualified public and private schools in the City of Manila are fully included in the implementation of these national programs; and be it FURTHERMORE

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RESOLVED, that the City Council of Manila expresses its readiness to assist in local coordination and monitoring, in partnership with the Division of City Schools (DCS) -Manila, to help ensure the effective and equitable rollout of said initiatives; and be it FINALLY

RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the President, the Department of Education (DepEd), the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), and the Division of City Schools (DCS) - Manila for their information and appropriate action.

PRESIDED BY:


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This Resolution was adopted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session on August 26, 2025.

ATTESTED:


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