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**RESOLUTION NO. 27**  
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**RESOLUTION** COMMENDING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT (DSWD), IN COLLABORATION WITH THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF MANILA, FOR IMPLEMENTING THE "SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD PROGRAM (SLP)" IN MANILA, WHICH AIMS TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC RESILIENCE, SKILLS DEVELOPMENT, AND SUSTAINABLE SOURCES OF INCOME FOR THE POOR, VULNERABLE AND MARGINALIZED FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES

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WHEREAS, poverty in Manila are showing some improvement in official figures, but remains a complex issue marked by extreme density, large informal settlements (slums), and significant vulnerability, with millions experiencing environmental poverty and high costs for basic needs, especially in densely populated areas like Tondo, despite being a major economic hub, with a recent survey (January 2026) showing a significant portion of Metro Manila residents still self-rate as poor, though down from previous months;

WHEREAS, a recent meeting between Secretary Rex Gatchalian of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and Manila Vice-Mayor Angela Lei "Chi" I. Atienza, focused on implementing the Sustainable Livelihood Program (SLP), a community-based capacity-building program aimed at improving the socio-economic status of its participants, which includes setting up twenty (20) SLP Associations with thirty (30) members to support community-based enterprises and income-generating activities;

WHEREAS, the SLP operates on a two-track system, in which participants are given the option to take either the (a) Micro-enterprise Development Track or the (b) Employment Facilitation Track, after participating in social preparation and capacity-building workshops to be conducted by the project development officers from different regions;


WHEREAS, program participants are provided with the corresponding assistance based on their chosen tracks, and further trainings are conducted during the implementation process of the program, as well as monitoring and evaluation, with target beneficiaries who are the "unemployed" and "underemployed" poor families;

WHEREAS, specifically, the program aims to enhance human assets through technical vocational and life skills training, enrich natural assets that protect and contribute to community livelihoods, extend social assets through membership in SLP associations and network linkages, expand financial assets through seed capital and access to credit, and establish or acquire physical assets for livelihood operations: NOW, THEREFORE, be it


RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to commend, as it hereby commends the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), in collaboration with the City Government of Manila, for implementing the "Sustainable Livelihood Program (SLP)" in Manila, which aims to promote economic resilience, skills development, and sustainable sources of income for the poor, vulnerable and marginalized families and communities; and be it FURTHER

RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD).

PRESIDED BY:

  
**ANGELA LEI "Chi" I. ATIENZA**  
Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer  
City Council, Manila

This Resolution was adopted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session on January 20, 2026.

ATTESTED:  
  
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