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City of Mandaluyong

Republika ng Pilipinas  
**SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD**  
Lungsod Mandaluyong

RESOLUTION NO. 2797, S-2019

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE MAYOR CARMELITA A. ABALOS TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE PHILIPPINE OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATION (POEA), OVERSEAS WORKERS WELFARE ADMINISTRATION (OWWA), DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT-NCR (DOLE-NCR) AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA)

WHEREAS, many Filipinos leave everyday for overseas employment in search of job opportunities and consequently alleviating the economic status of their families back home and contributing to the economic stability of the country;

WHEREAS, as it intends to intensify the delivery of programs and activities to OFWs and their families, the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA), Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA), Department of Labor and Employment – National Capital Region (DOLE-NCR) and the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) recognize the critical role of local government units such as the City Government of Mandaluyong in pursuing and bringing programs and services for OFWs closer to them, preferably within their localities;

WHEREAS, the POEA, OWWA, DOLE-NCR, and TESDA intend to set up an OFW Help Desk within the City Hall premises of Mandaluyong City in order to serve as a conduit in the swift delivery of programs on education and training, welfare, health care and reintegration for OFWs and their families, and a Memorandum of Agreement is proposed for the purpose;

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2019, the Sangguniang Panlungsod enacted Ordinance No. 733, S-2019 or the "Mandaluyong City OFW Help Desk Ordinance" that mandates the establishment of an OFW Help Desk and the creation of the corresponding Coordinating Council;

WHEREAS, the proposed MOA by the above-mentioned government agencies complements Ordinance No. 733, and its signing can best help in providing the needed expertise in addressing OFW issues and concerns through the targeted delivery of services directly at the level of the City;

WHEREAS, the joint undertaking among the aforementioned government agencies all dealing with OFW concerns and the City Government of Mandaluyong, under the proposed MOA on the conduct of joint information and educational activities on migration issues and concerns, will definitely raise the awareness of our Mandaleño OFWs and their families to battle psycho-social costs of migration like relationship-estrangement, family break up, communication gap, spousal infidelities, extra-marital relationships, early pregnancy and marriage, juvenile delinquency, drug dependency and indication of over dependency to remittances. Also, such awareness will deter OFWs to be victims of illegal recruiters, job switching, sexual and physical abuse and maltreatment, racial discrimination, exploitation, poor working conditions, non-payment of salaries, trafficking, illegal drug activities, serious injuries and even death;

WHEREAS, relative thereto, the City Legal Department reviewed the draft MOA that will govern the parties' complementary duties and responsibilities, and the same has been found to be reasonably and properly crafted and in accordance with law;

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WHEREAS, for the purpose, there is a need to enact a resolution authorizing City Mayor CARMELITA A. ABALOS to enter into and sign the Memorandum of Agreement for and in behalf of the City Government of Mandaluyong with the POEA, OWWA, DOLE-NCR, and TESDA.

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion duly seconded, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Mandaluyong, in session assembled, RESOLVED, as it hereby RESOLVES, to authorize Honorable Mayor CARMELITA A. ABALOS to sign the Memorandum of Agreement with the POEA, OWWA, DOLE-NCR, and TESDA regarding the OFW Help Desk.

FURTHER, RESOLVED, as it hereby RESOLVES, that copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the City Mayor, City Public Employment Services Department, Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA), Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA), Department of Labor and Employment – NCR (DOLE – NCR) and Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) for their information and appropriate action.

ADOPTED on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2019, in the City of Mandaluyong.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF MANDALUYONG IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON THE DATE AND PLACE FIRST ABOVE GIVEN.

*[Signature]*

**MA. TERESA S. MIRANDA  
Sanggunian Secretary**

ATTESTED BY:

*[Signature]*

**JESUS C. CRUZ  
Councilor &  
Acting Presiding Officer**

APPROVED:

*[Signature]*

**CARMELITA A. ABALOS**  
City Mayor  
Date: 30 SEP 2019

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