



Republic of the Philippines
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
City Government of Pasig

Resolution No. 276-11
Series of 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF PASIG THROUGH THE HONORABLE CITY MAYOR, VICTOR MA REGIS N. SOTTO, TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE EYE BANK FOUNDATION OF THE PHILIPPINES, INC. TO ESTABLISH AN EYE AND CORNEAL DONATION PROGRAM IN PASIG CITY GENERAL HOSPITAL, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7610 provides that local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, health and safety of its constituents;

WHEREAS, various national blindness surveys show that blindness continues to be a major public health problem;

WHEREAS, corneal disease ranks fourth as a cause of visual disability and ocular morbidity in both the Philippines and the world; and carries with it a significant socio-economic burden;

WHEREAS, the Eye Bank Foundation of the Philippines, Inc. (EBFP) is a non-profit, non-government, humanitarian organization established to ensure the continued availability of transplantable corneal tissue so that corneal transplantation remains accessible to Filipinos throughout the country;

WHEREAS, the EBFP owns and operates the Santa Lucia International Eye Bank of Manila, a state-of-the-art eye bank facility dedicated to the collection, processing, evaluation, storage and equitable distribution of quality corneal or eye tissues for transplant, research and education;

WHEREAS, the EBFP has personnel who are skilled in the retrieval, processing, storing, and distribution of human corneas and sclera;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health ("DOH") launched the Prevention of Blindness Program in 1990 and has reiterated its commitment to the reduction of the prevalence and relief of blindness through its support of the Vision 2020 Program of the World Health Organization ("WHO");

WHEREAS, the City Government of Pasig operates the Pasig City General Hospital, a tertiary hospital located at M. Eusebio Avenue, Maybunga, Pasig City, Philippines;

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WHEREAS, the PCGH wishes to contribute to the national campaign of alleviating blindness by helping the EBFP promote corneal and eye donation for transplantation through the effective implementation of Republic Act No. 7170, or The Organ Donation Act of 1991, and Republic Act No. 7885, or An Act to Advance Corneal Transplantation in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the PCGH recognizes that there are patients and families of patients within its establishment who wish to donate their eyes or corneas, or the eyes or corneas of their deceased family members to help the blind see. As such, it intends to engage EBFP and establish the PCGH Eye and Corneal Donation and Sharing Program in accordance with existing laws;

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly seconded, the Sangguniang Panlungsod resolves, as it is hereby resolved, to authorize the City Government of Pasig through the Honorable City Mayor, Victor Ma Regis N. Sotto, to enter into and sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the with the Eye Bank Foundation of the Philippines, Inc. to establish an Eye and Corneal Donation Program in Pasig City General Hospital.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of the Memorandum of Agreement shall form an integral part of this Resolution;

RESOLVED, FINALLY, that the Secretary of the Sangguniang Panlungsod furnish all concerned agencies/offices copies of this Resolution, as duly adopted/approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

APPROVED, this 20th day of **December 2023** at Pasig City.

HON. RAYMUND FRANCIS S. RUSTIA
City Councilor

HON. CORAZON M. RAYMUNDO
City Councilor

HON. SIMON GERARD R. TANTOCO
City Councilor

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City Councilor

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HON. MARIA LUISA "ANGELU" M. DE LEON
City Councilor
Minority Floor Leader

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HON. MARK GIL M. DELOS SANTOS
City Councilor
Majority Floor Leader

Attested by:

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HON. ROBERT VINCENT JUDE B. JAWORSKI, JR.
City Vice-Mayor
Presiding Officer





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APPROVED:

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HON. VICTOR MA REGIS N. SOTTO
City Mayor

Attested by:

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ATTY. NICOLO JOEL B. GUTIERREZ
Acting City Council Secretary

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