



Republic of the Philippines
SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD
City Government of Pasig

Resolution No. 9-11
Series of 2024

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 UNDERSTANDING WITH ACTION FOR HEALTH INITIATIVES, INC. FOR THE EFFECTIVE EVALUATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICIES AND MEASURES RELATED TO HIV AND AIDS WITHIN THE CITY OF PASIG, 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, Republic Act No. 11166, otherwise known as the Philippine HIV and AIDS Policy Act, provides a comprehensive and rights-based framework for the prevention, treatment, care, and support of individuals living with HIV and AIDS, emphasizing the protection and promotion of their human rights, and promotes a harmonized and coordinated approach at the national and local levels to effectively combat the epidemic;

WHEREAS, from 1984 to 2022, the City of Pasig has documented a total of 2,770 cases of HIV, with 282 new diagnoses reported in 2022, indicating a concerning upward trend; with a notable increase in the number of males engaging in sexual activity with other males who have tested positive for HIV;

WHEREAS, according to the December 2021 data from the HIV/AIDS Registry in the Philippines, out of the 2,383 persons living with HIV in Pasig City, only 1,805 (76%) initiated HIV treatment; further, among those who commenced anti-retroviral therapy, only 1,541 (85%) are currently alive, and within this group, only 356 (23%) have demonstrated successful suppression of their viral load based on test results;

WHEREAS, acknowledging the concerning state of affairs in Pasig City, the City Government of Pasig has undertaken a commitment to contribute to the global goal of ending the AIDS epidemic in cities by 2030, with a focus on achieving the "95-95-95" targets outlined in the Paris Declaration titled "Fast Track Cities: Ending the AIDS Epidemic." These targets aim to ensure that 95% of persons living with HIV (PLHIV) are aware of their HIV status, 95% of those aware of their HIV-positive status receive appropriate treatment, and 95% of individuals on treatment successfully attain suppressed viral loads;

WHEREAS, there is a need to align, review, and amend, if necessary, local policies and ordinances of the City Government of Pasig with the provisions of the Philippine HIV and AIDS Policy Act to ensure consistency, coherence, and effectiveness in the implementation of measures related to HIV and AIDS within the City;

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WHEREAS, the Action for Health Initiatives, Inc. (ACHIEVE), a non-stock, non-profit organization, through its Community Operationalizing People-Centered HIV Response (COPE), endeavors to foster and enhance meaningful partnerships among the government, civil society and community organizations with particular focus on advancing initiatives related to policies, investments, strategic and investment plans, and governance both at the national and local levels;

WHEREAS, ACHIEVE, under its COPE Project, has offered to the City Government of Pasig, assistance in the review and formulation of the latter's HIV policies and ordinances in accordance with the Philippine HIV and AIDS Policy Act, and support and engage in initiatives aimed at preventing, controlling, and responding to the HIV and AIDS epidemic at the local level;

WHEREAS, ACHIEVE and the City Government of Pasig intend to establish a formal framework for cooperation, coordination, and resource-sharing through a Memorandum of Understanding;

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 Understanding with Action for Health Initiatives, Inc. for the effective evaluation and implementation of policies and measures related to HIV and AIDS within the City of Pasig.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding 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 22nd day of **January 2024** at Pasig City.

HON. RAYMUND FRANCIS S. RUSTIA
City Councilor

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