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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 766



INTRODUCED BY REP. ANSARUDDIN ABDUL MALIK ALONTO ADIONG

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING HEARTFELT APPRECIATION AND GRATITUDE TO MANILA MAYOR FRANCISCO "ISKO MORENO" DOMAGOSO'S INITIATIVE IN CONSTRUCTING THE FIRST MUSLIM CEMETERY IN MANILA

WHEREAS, Manila Mayor Isko Moreno signed Ordinance No. 8608 allocating P49.3-million for the development of the new cemetery, which will be built at the Manila South Cemetery.

WHEREAS, 2,400 square meters of land will be used exclusively for the interment and transfer of the remains of deceased Muslim residents of Manila. It will also include the construction of a Cultural Hall as well as the creation of plantilla items for the hiring of personnel.

WHEREAS, Muslims in Manila who passed away would have to be transported to burial places in Taguig, Bulacan, or even Mindanao due to the absence of a cemetery in the city, at present.

WHEREAS, the signing of the ordinance is meant to acknowledge how firmly rooted Muslim Filipinos are in the nation's capital and to pay tribute to their historical contributions even prior to the Spanish colonization.

WHEREAS, while minorities often experience some form of oppression and discrimination all over the country, this grand gesture by the City Government is a big positive step in not only instilling a sense of belonging in Muslim Filipinos but also recognizing their religious beliefs and customary traditions.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, to commend Mayor Isko Moreno for his remarkable initiative in constructing the First Muslim Cemetery in Manila.

Adopted.

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