CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MAY 16, 2017

61. PROCLAMATION AND FLAG RAISING REQUEST FILIPINO DAY

(Addendum No. 1)

MOVED by Regional Councillor Ferri seconded by Councillor Carella

That the recommendation contained in the following report of the City Clerk, dated May 16, 2017, be approved:

CARRIED

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

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- 3. That the proclamation be posted on the City's website and published on the City Page online.

Contribution to Sustainability

No direct contribution

Economic Impact

No direct impact

Communications Plan

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Purpose

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Relationship to Term of Council Service Excellence Strategy Map (2014-2018)

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No direct implications

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Report prepared by:

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(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)

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This year marks the 119th Anniversary of Philippine Independence. This is a national day of the Philippines to honour forefathers who sacrificed their lives to give future generations the gift of sovereignty. This request was previously granted by Council.

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Respectfully submitted,

Barbara A. McEwan City Clerk May 1, 2017

Ms. Barbara A. McEwan City Clerk, City of Vaughan 2141 Major Mackenzie Drive Vaughan, Ont., L6A 1T1

MAY 0 2 2017 CLERK'S DEPT.

Dear Ms. McEwan:

I would like to respectfully request permission to raise the Philippine flag to commemorate the 119th Anniversary of Philippine Independence on Sunday, June 11, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., Vaughan City Hall. Likewise, I would like to request that Sunday, June 11 be proclaimed "Filipino Day". This day, June 12, to be exact is a national day of the Philippines as we remember our ancestors who sacrificed their lives to give us the precious gift of sovereignty.

Every year, Filipinos around the world celebrate Philippine Independence Day. Here in the City of Vaughan "Filipino Day" was proclaimed and the Philippine flag was raised to celebrate the Philippine Independence Day last year and previous years. We would like to do it again this year. It should be noted that the City of Vaughan is a twin city of Baguio, Philippines.

Following the flag raising, I would like to request permission to use the Multi-Purpose Room, Garden Room and Courtyard for program, entertainment and lunch (Filipino food) provided by the members of the Planning Committee (Solid Rock Indigenous Group, Maple Baptist Church, Leyteno Association of Ontario, Pinoy Radyo, Filipino Adventist Church and the Filipino Canadian Association of Vaughan). The Committee will pay any overages incurred for the event. I would like the event to end at 2:00 p.m.

On behalf of the Filipino Day Planning Committee, thank you and I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours

Erlinda Ansique

President

CC.: His Worship, Maurizio Bevilacqua, P.C., Mayor, City of Vaughan Hon. Rosalita Prospero Consul, General, Philippine Consulate, Toronto