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RESOLUTION NO. 2020-397

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE "BATING FILIPINO" THE NEW NORMAL OF GREETING ANOTHER PERSON AS A CUSTOMARY FILIPINO GESTURE OF GOODWILL, PRAISE AND RESPECT

Sponsored by:

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**Hon. Coun. Kenichi D. Takagi, Jr.**

**WHEREAS**, Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that, **"the state shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them";**

**WHEREAS**, Section 4(a) and (e) of Republic Act No. 6713, otherwise known as the "Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees", provides that, **"public officials and employees shall extend prompt, courteous and adequate service to the public";**

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 states that, **"xxx within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the, right of the people to a balanced ecology, encourage and support the development of appropriate and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, improve public morals, enhance economic prosperity and social justice. xxx.";**

**WHEREAS**, House Bill No. 921 of the Eighteen Congress, or **"An act to promote a new Filipino Gesture of Goodwill and Praise also known as the "Bating Filipino"** was adopted by the House of Representatives as Resolution No. 42, on 05 February 2020, urging the Philippine Government **to promote the simple act of gracefully laying the palm of the right hand over the center of the chest with a simultaneous slight head nod as a customary Filipino gesture of goodwill, praise and respect;**





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**WHEREAS**, the onset of the pandemic of 2020 totally changed the manner and custom of social interactions among the Filipinos where physical distancing, quarantine policies and other health protocols were being mandated to deter and reduce the spike in COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, mindful of the preservation of culture and respect towards other, the traditional, well-meaning, and innocent gesture of handshake, now a risk to one's health, should be replaced with safe, non-contact and safer gesture as an alternative way of demonstrating friendship and goodwill;

**WHEREAS**, Bating Filipino is a better alternative to the traditional gesture of *handshake* which is the simple act of gracefully laying the palm of the right hand over the center of the chest with a simultaneous slight head nod;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the 9th Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa, to promote and adopt the "**Bating Filipino**" as the New Normal of greeting another person as a customary Filipino gesture of goodwill, praise and respect.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that to instill the "**Bating Filipino**" in the streamline of Muntinlupenos lives, the following sectors are encouraged to adopt the gesture in their daily activities:

- Education Sector (Elementary, High School, Private and Public Colleges and Universities);**
- Government Sector (City Government offices, Barangay Councils and PCO);**

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that copies of this resolution shall be furnished the sectors mentioned in the preceding paragraph and to the **Public Information Office (PIO)** for widest dissemination and information campaign.

**ADOPTED**, by the 9th Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2020, on its 72<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session.

CONCURRED:

DISTRICT 1:

COUN. ATTY. RAUL R. CORRO  
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I HEREBY CERTIFY, as to the correctness of the foregoing Resolution.

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