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Council File No.

April 9, 2014

To All Interested Parties:

Chief Legislative Analyst

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under
Council File No. 14-0002-S33, at its meeting held April 2, 2014.

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SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR

COUNCIL FILE NO. 14-0002-S33

COUNCIL DISTRICT _____

COUNCIL APPROVAL DATE April 2, 2014

RE: ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S POSITION TO SUPPORT H.R. 3602 AND/OR ANY OTHER SIMILAR LEGISLATION OR ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION TO DESIGNATE THE PHILIPPINES UNDER SECTION 244 OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT TO PERMIT NATIONALS OF THE PHILIPPINES TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS IN THE UNITED STATES

LAST DAY FOR MAYOR TO ACT APR 14 2014
[10 Day Charter requirement as per Charter Section 231(h)]

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*Transmit objections in writing pursuant to Charter Section 231 (h)

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2013, Typhoon Haiyan, a category five typhoon, devastated the Philippines, displacing more than four million people, killing approximately 6,000 people and affecting approximately 16 million people according to the Government of the Philippines National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council; and

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2013, the Philippine government formally requested that the United States government grant them Temporary Protected Status (TPS) to temporarily stop the deportation of Filipino nationals;

WHEREAS, the City of New York and City and County of San Francisco have adopted resolutions in support of TPS designation for the Philippines and eligible Filipino nationals; and

WHEREAS, the City and the larger Los Angeles community should join the collective and humanitarian effort to support Filipinos during the continuous recovery of their nation; and

WHEREAS, for many Filipinos returning to their native country would entail returning to a country with limited resources, a country attempting to recover and unable adequately accommodate additional people; and

WHEREAS, the Philippines receives approximately nine percent of its gross domestic product through remittances; the designation would allow Filipinos residing in the U.S. an opportunity to assist in recovery efforts where they can legally work, send money and resources; and

WHEREAS, the Pilipino Workers Center of Southern California estimates 800,000 to 1 million Filipinos nationwide may be eligible for TPS benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Homeland Security has previously granted TPS to nationals from countries suffering from civil war or severe natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, currently pending before the House of Representatives is bill H.R. 3602 (Green), which would designate the Philippines under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit nationals of the Philippines to be eligible for TPS; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 3602 states that the extraordinary and temporary conditions caused by flooding and catastrophic damage wrought by the Typhoon Haiyan qualifies the Philippines for TPS designation; and


WHEREAS, H.R. 3602 stipulates that upon Act approval TPS for the Philippines will remain in effect for 18 months; eligible participants must have physical presence in the U.S. since November 8, 2013; be admitted as immigrants not ineligible for TPS; and, must register for TPS with Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 3602 allows participants to travel abroad with approval from the Secretary of Homeland Security and under emergency and extenuating circumstances beyond the control of the participant;

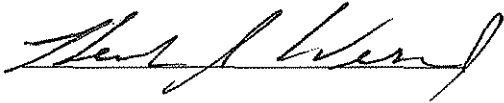


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles, hereby includes in its 2013-2014 Federal Legislative Program, SUPPORT of H.R. 3602 and/or any other similar legislation or administrative action to designate the Philippines under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit nationals of the Philippines to be eligible for Temporary Protected Status in the United States.

PRESENTED BY:


MITCH O'FARRELL
Councilmember, 13th District

SECONDED BY:



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LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

*In lieu of original
Resolution*

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WHEREAS, Typhoon Haiyan has damaged or destroyed an estimated 1.1 million homes in the Philippines; and

WHEREAS, the Council on December 10, 2013, adopted a resolution (C.F. 13-002-S137) to support visa extensions to Filipino immigrants legally living in the U.S. to continue to work and attend school as their native country recovered from the typhoon; and

WHEREAS, the City and the larger Los Angeles community should join the collective and humanitarian effort to support Filipinos during the continuous recovery of their nation; and

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2013, the Philippine government formally requested that the United States government grant them Temporary Protected Status (TPS) to temporarily stop the deportation of Filipino nationals;

WHEREAS, due to dire circumstances confronting Filipinos, the City urges the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to assist the Philippines and victims of this national disaster by designating TPS to the Philippines and eligible Filipino nationals regardless of legal immigration status; and

WHEREAS, for many Filipinos returning to their native country would entail returning to a country with limited resources, a country attempting to recover and unable adequately accommodate additional people; and

WHEREAS, the Philippines receives approximately nine percent of its gross domestic product through remittances; the designation would allow Filipinos residing in the U.S. an opportunity to assist in recovery efforts where they can legally work, send money and resources; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Homeland Security has previously granted TPS to nationals from countries suffering from civil war or severe natural disasters; including: El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Nicaragua, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, and Syria; and

WHEREAS, the TPS program stipulates an individual is only eligible for TPS benefits if he or she: establishes continuous physical presence and continuous residence in the U.S.; is not subject to one of the criminal, security related or other bars to TPS; and, applies for TPS benefits in a timely manner; and


WHEREAS, the TPS program states that an individual is not eligible for TPS if he or she: has been convicted of any felony or two or more misdemeanors committed in the U.S.; is persecutor or subject to one of the bars to asylum; or is subject to criminal-related or terrorism-related grounds of inadmissibility of which a waiver is not available; and

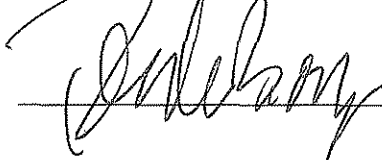


WHEREAS, the City of New York and City and County of San Francisco have adopted resolutions in support of Temporary Protected Status designation for the Philippines and eligible Filipino nationals; and

WHEREAS, the Pilipino Workers Center of Southern California estimates 800,000 to 1 million Filipinos nationwide may be eligible for TPS benefits;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles, hereby includes in its 2013-2014 Federal Legislative Program, SUPPORT of legislation and/or administrative action to grant Temporary Protected Status to Philippine nationals to prevent their deportation while their country recovers from Super Typhoon Haiyan.

PRESENTED BY: 
MITCH O'FARRELL
Councilmember, 13th District

SECONDED BY: 

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