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Substitute resolution supporting the "Religious Institutions in a Democracy" Project to foster religious freedom and tolerance in the Philippines.

This resolution provides Common Council support to the Freeport Area International Visitors Council and the Institute of World Affairs of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in their involvement with the "Religious Institutions in a Democracy" Project to assist Filipino community leaders in their efforts to foster religious freedom and tolerance in the Philippines, and extends open invitations to the project participants to observe and share ideas on the role of municipal governments in the promotion of religious freedom and tolerance.

Whereas, The Freeport Area International Visitors Council and the Institute of World Affairs of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee are currently involved in the "Religious Institutions in a Democracy" Project, which is focused on assisting Filipino community leaders in their efforts to foster religious freedom and tolerance in the Philippines; and

Whereas, The "Religious Institutions in a Democracy" Project proposes to facilitate a dialogue between Filipino and Milwaukee leaders in the religious, governmental, educational, civic, business, health care and judicial communities on the principles and practices of religious freedom and religious tolerance in both the Philippines and the United States; and

Whereas, The "Religious Institutions in a Democracy" Project further proposes that delegations of community leaders from the Philippines and the United States travel to each others' countries to discuss and observe strategies for promoting these principles and practices of religious freedom and tolerance in social and political institutions; and

Whereas, The "Religious Institutions in a Democracy" Project would be funded through a grant from the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee has a history of exploring and supporting opportunities in the community which help achieve a greater understanding and tolerance of racial, religious and political diversity; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Common Council supports the Freeport Area International Visitors Council and the Institute of World Affairs of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in their involvement with the "Religious

Institutions in a Democracy" Project to assist Filipino community leaders in their efforts to foster religious freedom and tolerance in the Philippines; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Common Council extends open invitations to the project participants to observe and share ideas on the role of municipal governments in the promotion of religious freedom and tolerance.

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