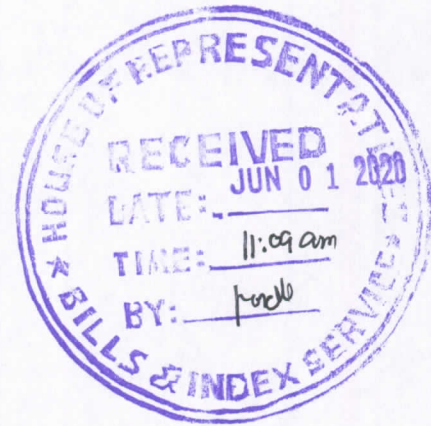


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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 931



Introduced by
SENIOR CITIZEN Party-List Representative FRANCISCO "JUN" GAMBOA-DATOL, JR.

RESOLUTION

**CALLING FOR AN IMMEDIATE LIFTING OF THE MANDATORY QUARANTINE AGAINST
HEALTHY SENIOR CITIZENS**

WHEREAS, under Resolution No. 30 of the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) for the Management Of Emerging Infectious Disease,¹ senior citizens have been mandated to undergo quarantine except when indispensable under the circumstances for obtaining essential goods and services or for work in permitted industries and offices.

WHEREAS, while we recognize that some senior citizens must undergo mandatory quarantine, the same cannot be blanketly imposed on them.

WHEREAS, according to the Center for Disease Control and Protection, while senior citizens are vulnerable to the COVID-19 illness, only those with underlying medical condition are at high risk for developing more serious complications.² Thus, those without underlying medical conditions can go out with moderate risk.

WHEREAS, even upon considering this fact, we still restrict the liberties of our senior citizens enshrined in the Philippine Constitution³ and force them to stay in their homes. Thus, causing them severe economic prejudice and psychological anxiety by preventing them to carry on their livelihood and perform their daily routine pre-COVID-19.

WHEREAS, this blanket imposition is not just unreasonable but is unjust and discriminative for our able-bodied senior citizens who are at moderate risk since they are healthy.

¹ Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of the Community Quarantine in the Philippines, 15 May 2020.

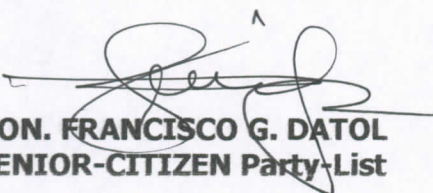
² Center for Disease Control (2020). Older Adults. Retrieved from <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/older-adults.html>

³ PHIL. CONST. art. XIII, Section 11.

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional and statutory duty of Congress and the IATF to safeguard the welfare of our healthy and able-bodied senior citizens by providing them with a mandatory quarantine program that is responsive to their distinct health circumstances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the appropriate committee of the House of Representatives conducts a review and investigation, in aid of legislation, over the effective implementation of the Mandatory Quarantine against Senior Citizens under IATF Resolution No. 30 and its effects of it to them.

Adopted,



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