

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17



Introduced by Honorable Rodante D. Marcoleta

JOINT RESOLUTION
IMMEDIATELY CONSTRUCTING ADDITIONAL DETENTION FACILITIES
IN AREAS TO BE DESIGNATED BY THE GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO
ADDRESS THE CURRENT ABJECT OVERCROWDING IN THE PHILIPPINE
JAIL SYSTEM

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the Senate and the House of Representatives that additional detention facilities should immediately be constructed to address the current abject overcrowding in the Philippine Jail System;

WHEREAS, the country's largest drug rehabilitation center, envisioned to house up to 10,000 addicts, is treating only a few patients even as many city jails are bursting at the seams with the influx of at least 25,000 users amid the administration's war on drugs;¹

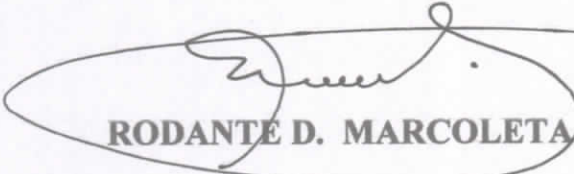
WHEREAS, image of Quezon City jail accompanying the article musters empathy and a feeling of compassion upon the inmates who are flocked like sardines and an observer can only imagine the kind of physical distress and mental anguish that the inmates are put through;

WHEREAS, there is a need for additional detention facilities and the government should have it as a priority project since it is directly related to its campaign against illegal drugs;

WHEREAS, humane treatment should also be accorded the inmates and the current jail system hardly provides the same; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives and the Senate in Congress assembled, to immediately construct additional detention facilities in areas to be designated by the government in order to address the current abject overcrowding in the Philippine jail system

Adopted,


RODANTE D. MARCOLETA

¹ Philip C. Tubeza: Jails full of drug addicts, Ecija rehab center has few. Philippine Daily Inquirer 31 Mar 2017

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 346



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RESOLUTION
CALLING ON MULTI-SECTORAL COUNTER MEASURES TO EFFICIENTLY
CURB THE RISE OF DENGUE CASES IN THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) has recently issued a distressing news that the cases of dengue throughout the country have breached the 180,000 mark of which 807 have perished;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) – CALABARZON (Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal, Quezon) issued a Dengue Alert Response and Emergency Management of Cases to all Provincial Health Offices (PHOs), City Health Offices (CHOs), Municipal Health Offices (MHOs), Dengue Prevention and Control Program coordinators, Provincial Department of Health Office (PDOHO) and other concerned units in the region;

WHEREAS, DOH Regional Director Dr. Eduardo C. Janairo said this is in support of the declaration of Health Secretary Francisco T. Duque of the national dengue cases in various regions including CALABARZON;

WHEREAS, the Regional Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (RESU) reported a total of 13,072 dengue cases from January 1 to July 13, a 26 percent increase in the number of cases compared to the same period in 2018 with a total of 50 dengue-related deaths;

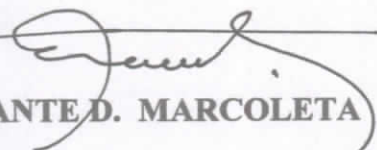
WHEREAS, the provinces of Cavite, Leyte and South Cotabato have declared a state of calamity in their respective areas due to the rising number of dengue patients and deaths brought about by the disease;

WHEREAS, dengue is spread by the bites primarily of *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes which thrive in clean and stagnant water abundant during the rainy season;

WHEREAS, multi-sectoral counter measures have to be undertaken in order to curb the spread of the disease; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives and the Senate, to call on multi-sectoral counter measures to efficiently curb the rise of Dengue cases in the Philippines.

Adopted,


RODANTE D. MARCOLETA