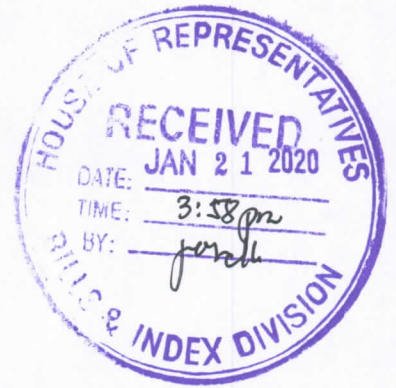




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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 662

Introduced by Representatives Alan Peter "Compañero" S. Cayetano,  
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**RESOLUTION**  
**EXPRESSING THE SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT OF THE HOUSE OF**  
**REPRESENTATIVES TO WORK WITH ALL THE CONCERNED AGENCIES TO PASS**  
**THE PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET TO EXPEDITE EFFECTIVE AND**  
**RESPONSIVE ASSISTANCE TO THOSE AFFECTED BY THE TAAL VOLCANO**  
**ERUPTION**

**WHEREAS**, on 12 January 2020, the Taal Volcano erupted and spewed an ash column one kilometer high which led the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology to declare a volcanic Alert Level of 4 for Taal which warns the public of a status of hazardous eruption imminent;

**WHEREAS**, an estimated population of 459,300 live within the 14 kilometer danger zone and 271,278 individuals were affected by the volcanic activity, of the said number, 148,514 people were displaced and are taking shelter in 497 evacuation centers;

**WHEREAS**, the province of Batangas and Cavite declared a state of calamity as the volcano remains at an Alert Level of 4 with affected families finding themselves in a challenging situation of unmet vital needs such as access to food and potable drinking water, shelter and essential household items, and basic health services among others;

**WHEREAS**, aside from the detrimental effects on people, the disaster has also caused economic losses reaching Php 7.63 billion by initial estimates of the National Economic Development Authority and total agricultural damage amounting to Php 3.06 billion according to a report by the Department of Agriculture in CALABARZON;

**WHEREAS**, the Calamity Fund for the local government units is presently depleting and is insufficient to provide relief and rehabilitation assistance to the affected areas;

**WHEREAS**, as a response of the disaster, the House of Representatives is willing to participate in necessary efforts to alleviate the suffering of our countrymen and ultimately restore normalcy to the affected regions;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, that the House of Representatives expresses its support and commitment to work with all the concerned agencies to pass the proposed supplemental budget to expedite effective and responsive assistance to those affected by the Taal Volcano Eruption.

*Adopted,*



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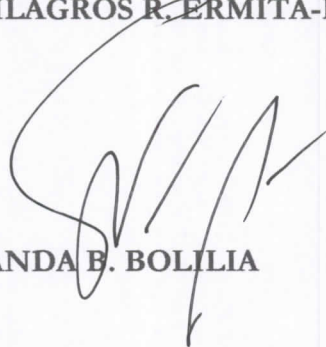
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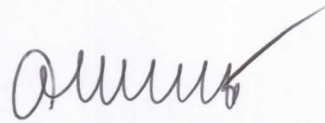
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