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RESOLUTION NO. 19

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE 2019 ASEAN-REPUBLIC OF KOREA COMMEMORATIVE SUMMIT (ARCS) AND WELCOMING THE BILATERAL SUMMIT BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

WHEREAS, the 2019 ASEAN-Republic of Korea Commemorative Summit (ARCS) will be held on November 25 to 26 in Busan, Republic of Korea (ROK) to mark the 30th anniversary of the establishment of the ASEAN-ROK Dialogue Relations;

WHEREAS, the 2019 ARCS is an important venue for providing a milestone for the implementation of the ROK New Southern Policy initiated by President Moon Jae-in envisioning the future ASEAN-ROK relations to achieve the goal of "People-centered Community of Peace and Prosperity" in the region;

WHEREAS, a summit between the President of the Republic of the Philippines (PH) and the President of the ROK will be held at the same 2019 ARCS;

WHEREAS, the forthcoming visit of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, His Excellency's second following an official visit to the ROK last June 2018, will pave the way for further expanding and strengthening PH-ROK bilateral relations, most especially since the two nations are celebrating the 70th anniversary of their diplomatic ties this year;

WHEREAS, PH-ROK relations has been unique and precious in that the Philippines was the first ASEAN nation to establish diplomatic relations with the ROK after her independence, and also one of the first nations to help the country during the Korean War by sending more than seven thousand soldiers;

WHEREAS, the special bond between the two nations extends to the areas of security, economy and most importantly people-to-people exchanges;

WHEREAS, the summit between President Duterte and President Moon on the occasion of the 2019 ARCS, and during the 70th anniversary of PH-ROK diplomatic relations will also provide a meaningful opportunity to contribute not only to advancing bilateral relations but also to securing peace and prosperity, as important partners in the Asia Pacific Region: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, To recognize the importance of the 2019 ASEAN-Republic of Korea Commemorative Summit (ARCS) and to welcome the Bilateral Summit between the President of the Republic of the Philippines and the President of the Republic of Korea.

Adopted,

ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO Speaker pr

This Resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives on November 19, 2019.

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