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Introduced by Rep. JANETTE P. LORETO-GARIN, RMT, M.D., MBA-H

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**RESOLUTION**

**URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THRU THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE FINANCIAL, AND OPERATIONAL VIABILITY OF THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH INSURANCE CORPORATION IN LINE WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11223 OR THE UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE ACT.**

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 11223 or the Universal Health Care Act provides that it is the policy of the State to protect and promote the right to health of all Filipinos and instill health consciousness among them;

**WHEREAS**, every Filipino citizen shall be automatically included in the program and shall be entitled to a health care model that will provide access to quality, cost-effective, promotive, preventive, curative, rehabilitative, and palliative health services without causing financial hardship and prioritizing the needs of those who cannot afford such services;

**WHEREAS**, under said law, the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) is tasked to implement a comprehensive outpatient benefit, including outpatient drug benefit and emergency medical services;

**WHEREAS**, the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Seven Billion (₱ 257B) has been earmarked for the initial year of implementation of the Universal Health Care Law;

**WHEREAS**, issues regarding overpayment, fraud and other disturbing issues on fraudulent schemes by health care institutions have been reported in the media;

**WHEREAS**, there should be a need to safeguard the financial and operational viability of PhilHealth due to its vital role in the implementation of the Universal Health Care Law;

**WHEREFORE, RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, for the House Committee on Good Government and Public Accountability to immediately conduct an investigation in aid of legislation on the above-mentioned issues and circumstances in order to adopt more efficient operational methods, install more checks and balances, stiffer sanctions or penalties against violators, and to come out with legislation for the purpose.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Janette P. Loreto-Garin', is written over a large, faint oval outline.