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RESOLUTION

SEEKING FOR AN INVESTIGATION IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE ALLEGED MISHANDLING IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SOCIAL AMELIORATION PROGRAM PROVIDED FOR UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11469, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "BAYANIHAN TO HEAL AS ONE ACT"

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) per Resolution No. 11, series of 2020, raised the COVID19 threat to the highest alert level, Code Fred Sublevel 12, due to the evidence of sustained community transmission of the disease,

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, President Rodrigo R. Duterte, declared a community quarantine in the National Capital Region (NCR) and on March 17, 2020, the Enhanced Community Quarantine was imposed in the entire of Luzon with the issuance of Presidential Decree No. 299, s.2020, declaring the whole country in the State of Calamity.

WHEREAS, on 30 March 2020, the Secretary of the Department of Social Welfare and Development as the lead agency in implementing the program issued Memorandum No. 04, Series of 2020 entitled: Special Guidelines on the program of Social Amelioration measures by the DSWD to the most affected residents of the areas under community quarantine and the continuation of the implementation of the social pension for indigents, senior citizens and supplementary feeding programs;

WHEREAS, there were several reports of complaints received by the DILG and Local Government Units in using only the 2015 lists of indigents of the DSWD as legitimate SAP beneficiaries in the municipalities, cities and barangays.

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the State to ensure that the implementation of RA 11469 "Bayanihan To Heal as One Act" and the Social Amelioration Program be in accordance with the provisions of the law and that the SAP beneficiaries receive the full and complete amount granted to them by the government;

WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVE AS IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives, through its appropriate Committee/s, to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the alleged mishandling/malpractices on the implementation of the Social Amelioration Program and hold accountable all persons responsible thereon including national and local government officials and employees involved.

Adopted,

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