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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 704



Introduced by **ANG PROBINSYANO**
Party-List Representative Alfred Delos Santos

RESOLUTION

**CALLING FOR AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION TO DETERMINE IF
THERE WAS MALFEASANCE, MISFEASANCE, OR NONFEASANCE ON
THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE METRO MANILA SKYWAY (MMS)
STAGE 3**

WHEREAS, the Metro Manila Skyway (MMS) Stage 3 project is a 14.82 kilometer 6-lane elevated toll road and the last of the three (3) stages of the MMS System that will connect the South Luzon Expressway (SLEX) at Alabang and the North Luzon Expressway (NLEX) at Balintawak, Quezon City.

WHEREAS, the project is intended to improve the accessibility, mobility and connectivity in and out of Metro Manila with eight (8) strategically located interchanges at Buendia Avenue, Pres. Quirino Avenue, Plaza Dilao and Nagtahan, Aurora Boulevard, E. Rodriguez Avenue, Quezon Avenue, Sgt. Rivera and Balintawak and a total of fourteen (14) toll plazas.

WHEREAS, the project is a component of the Supplemental Toll Operation Agreement (STOA) by and between the Republic of the Philippines, through Toll Regulatory Board (TRB), CITRA and the Philippine National Construction Corporation (PNCC). The TRB is the project implementing agency with the Skyway Operation and Maintenance Corp. (SOMCO) as the operator.

WHEREAS, the construction of the project started in April 2014 with the original plan of constructing the 14 kilometer toll road divided into four (4) segments. However, difficulties in obtaining right-of-way forced several changes in the alignment of Segment 2. The original alignment consisted of the Zamora flyover crossing the Pasig River meeting up with the other NLEX-SLEX connector tollway near the PUP campus, and passing through Old Sta. Mesa Road and V. Mapa Street. The alignment was later moved to the right from the Zamora flyover through the San Miguel Plastics Packaging plant, and followed the San Juan River up to Araneta and Aurora Avenues.

WHEREAS, the fire at the San Miguel Plastic Packaging plant in Pandacan, Manila on February 1, 2020 caused over 300 meters of the MMS

1 Stage 3 to collapse due to the heavy fire damage caused to the foundation of
2 the elevated expressway.

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4 **WHEREAS**, the contractor stated that the plastic plant that was gutted
5 by the fire was set to be relocated out of Pandacan, Manila as it clears its
6 properties there to make way for the Skyway ramp and a planned integrated
7 transport and food terminal in the area.

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9 **WHEREAS**, this lack of foresight on the part of the contractor and
10 failure to secure the location where the skyway expressway will be situated
11 will cause delay on the completion of the project, additional project costs, and
12 will affect the integrity of such portion of the expressway.

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14 **WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of the State to protect the road users
15 and commuters and to ensure the safety of public roads and highways.

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17 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, that
18 the House of Representatives, through the Committee on Good Government
19 and Public Accountability, to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the
20 implementation of the MMS Stage 3, determine the cause of the delay in the
21 project implementation and hold accountable all natural and juridical
22 persons responsible thereon including government officials and employees
23 involved in the project.

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25 Adopted.


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