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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 208

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**RESOLUTION URGING THE BANKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS TO ADOPT
CURRENCY INDICATORS TO AID VISUALLY IMPAIRED PROPLE TO
IDENTIFY BANK NOTES**

WHEREAS, the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPDs), to which the Philippines is a signatory seeks to promote, protect and ensure the full and equal enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms by all persons with disabilities, and to promote respect for their inherent dignity;

WHEREAS, one of the general principles presented by the same UN Convention is the full and effective participation and inclusion in the society of person with disabilities;

WHEREAS, the same UN Convention directs States "To take all appropriate measures, including legislation, to modify or abolish existing laws, regulations, customs and practices that constitute discrimination against person with disabilities.

WHEREAS, the same UN Convention directs Stats "To provide accessible information to person with disabilities about mobility aids, devices and assistive technologies, including new technologies, as well as other forms of assistance, support services and facilities,"

WHEREAS, the same UN Convention further directs the States "To enable persons with disabilities to live independently and participate fully an all aspects of life, States Parties shall take appropriate measures to ensure to persons with disabilities access, on an equal basis with others, to the physical environment, to transportation, to information and communications, including information and communications technologies and systems, and to other facilities and services open or provided to the public, both in urban and in rural areas. These measures, which shall include the identification and elimination of obstacles and barriers to accessibility,"

WHEREAS, Section 13 of Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution provides that "The State shall establish a special agency for disabled person for their rehabilitation, self-development, and self-reliance, and their integration into the mainstream of society,"

WHEREAS, according to the Philippines Statistics Authority (PSA), there were 1,443,000 PWDs in the country as of 2010;

WHEREAS, studies have shown that the PWD sector remains to be one of the most marginalized groups in the country despite numerous legislation, amendments and laws enacted, **Now, therefore, be it**

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF THE REPRESENTATIVES, to urge the Banko Sentral ng Pilipinas to adopt the latest available technology to further enhance the features of banknotes by providing special banknote indicators to aid people who are visually impaired to identify notes.

Adopted,


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