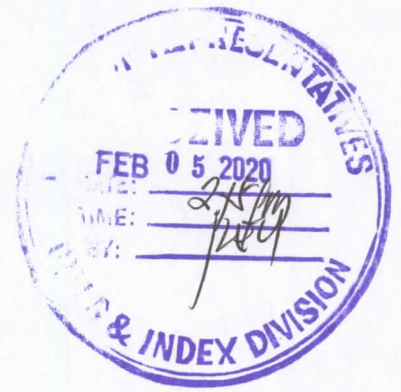


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House Resolution No. 699



Introduced by **REP. NAEALLA BAINTO AGUINALDO**

RESOLUTION

URGING THE APPROPRIATE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO CONDUCT AN IMMEDIATE ASSESSMENT OF THE TOTAL DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE TAAL VOLCANO ERUPTION, AND TO COME UP WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN CONTAINING THE TOTAL FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE RELIEF, REHABILITATION, AND RESETTLEMENT OF THE AFFECTED COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, on 12 January 2020, the Taal Volcano caused a phreatic eruption, prompting the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (PHIVOLCS) to declare a volcanic Alert Level 4, forcing large-scale evacuation in the Provinces of Batangas, Cavite, and Laguna;

WHEREAS, according to the latest update by the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), Situational Report No. 61 dated 4 February 2020 (SR61), the eruption affected a total of 129,010 families or 482,925 individuals, of which a total of 6,830 families or 23,915 individuals are taking temporary shelter in 152 evacuation centers, while 60,373 families or 224,188 individuals are staying outside evacuation centers;

WHEREAS, PHIVOLCS has already lowered the Alert Level from 4 to 3 and has already lifted the lockdown status in most affected areas, allowing the NDRRMC, other agencies, and local government units concerned to determine the extent of the damage incurred by the affected communities; and

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives filed House Resolution No. 662, dated 21 January 2020, expressing their support and commitment to work with all the concerned agencies to pass the proposed supplemental budget to expedite effective and responsive assistance to the victims.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives urges the appropriate National Government agencies to conduct an immediate assessment of the total damage caused by the Taal Volcano eruption and to come up with a comprehensive plan containing the total financial requirements for the relief, rehabilitation, and resettlement of the affected communities.

Adopted,


REP. NAEALLA BAINTO AGUINALDO