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Introduced by Representatives ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO, FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ, BIENVENIDO M. ABANTE JR. and PROSPERO A. PICHAY, JR.

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE COMPASSION AND EMPATHY OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE JULY 13, 2019 EARTHQUAKE IN CARRASCAL, CANTILAN AND MADRID, SURIGAO DEL SUR AND COMMENDING THE IMMEDIATE RESCUE AND RELIEF EFFORTS EXTENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT, THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL FOR THEIR IMMEDIATE RESPONSE AND ASSISTANCE.

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2019, a 5.5 magnitude earthquake jolted the Municipalities of Carrascal, Cantilan and Madrid, Surigao del Sur with a tectonic origin and a depth of focus of four (4) kilometers, which was also felt in other parts of Region XIII causing injury and damage to properties among thousands of families;

WHEREAS, data from the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) recorded that in 41 barangays, a total of 10,473 persons were affected or displaced, 50 were injured, 2,215 houses, two Catholic churches, a bridge, and a public market were damaged by the earthquake;

WHEREAS, immediately following the calamity, the Armed Forces of the Philippines through the Army's 36th Infantry (Valor) Battalion, the DSWD – Field Office in Caraga Region, and the medical personnel of the province, quickly dispatched rescue an relief efforts and, in a swift, synchronized and orderly manner, evacuated the residents, rescued and treated the victims, provided shelter and relief goods, secured the area, and restored order, thus saving lives and preventing further injury;

WHEREAS, the preparedness for disaster response, recovery, and relief measures demonstrated by the military, the DSWD, and the provincial medical personnel, stabilized the emergency, prevented further chaos and panic, and provided protective actions for life safety following the calamity:

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives is convinced that the inestimable service rendered by the rescuers and relief workers deserves the acknowledgment.

recognition, adulation and commendation by the whole Filipino nation: Now therefore, be it.

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, To express the compassion and empathy of the House of Representatives for the victims of the July 13, 2019 earthquake in Carrascal, Cantilan, and Madrid, Surigao del Sur and to commend the immediate rescue and relief efforts extended by the Department of Social Welfare and Development, the Armed Forces of the Philippines and medical personnel for their immediate response and assistance

Adopted,

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