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Introduced by HON. LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO

**RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY
TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BAMBOO LIVELIHOOD PROGRAM IN RELATION
TO THE GOVERNMENT'S NATIONAL GREENING PROGRAM (NGP)**

WHEREAS, the National Greening Program (NGP) is a massive forest rehabilitation program of the government initiated by Executive Order (EO) No. 26, which was issued on 24 February 2011;

WHEREAS, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has established a firm commitment towards the promotion of bamboo plantations and bamboo livelihood programs under the NGP;

WHEREAS, Section 3 of EO 879 mandates the DENR to utilize bamboo as the planting material for at least twenty percent (20%) of its annual reforestation and rehabilitation target areas;

WHEREAS, bamboo livelihood programs are economical and convenient for Filipinos, especially those living in the countryside, since these programs help create employment, generate income and assist in the combat against climate change;

WHEREAS, because of its *maka-masang* programs, its potential to improve Filipino lives in the countryside and being an eco-friendly initiative, Congress must exercise its oversight function to investigate and ascertain whether or not the bamboo livelihood program of the government is being implemented effectively;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, the Committee on Ecology should conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, into the present status of the Bamboo Livelihood Program in relation to the National Greening Program and examine whether its short-term and long-term goals are being fulfilled by DENR and other concerned government agencies.

Adopted,


LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO