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RESOLUTION NO. 27

SUSTAINABLE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGs) FRAMEWORK OF LEGISLATIVE MEASURES TO BE CRAFTED AND ENACTED IN EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS

WHEREAS, one hundred ninety-three (193) United Nations Member-States adopted the "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" in 2016, the post-2015 global development agenda built on the major advancements and improvements of the Millennium Development Goals;

WHEREAS, the "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" serves as the global blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all;

WHEREAS, the "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" includes seventeen (17) Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), as follows:

- (1) Eradicating poverty;
- (2) Eliminating hunger;
- (3) Promoting good health and well-being;
- (4) Providing access to quality education;
- (5) Promoting gender equality;
- (6) Ensuring availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all;
 - (7) Guaranteeing access to affordable and clean energy;
- (8) Promoting sustainable economic growth, productive employment and decent work;
- (9) Building resilient infrastructure, promoting inclusive and sustainable industrialization and fostering innovation;
 - (10) Reducing inequality;
 - (11) Establishing sustainable cities and communities;
 - (12) Promoting responsible consumption and production;
 - (13) Taking urgent action to combat climate change;
 - (14) Conserving life below water;
 - (15) Conserving life on land;
- (16) Promoting peace and justice and building strong institutions; and

(17) Ensuring partnerships to achieve the goals.

WHEREAS, the Philippines, as one of the countries that adopted the "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development", is committed to integrate the SDGs into the national development plans and policies;

WHEREAS, national legislation and support from all sectors are needed to achieve the targets and indicators of each of the SDGs, as the common framework of government offices and institutions in formulating, adopting, and implementing their programs and projects;

WHEREAS, it is imperative that key decision makers consistently monitor the performance of the Philippines to ensure that the country is on track in achieving the SDGs by the year 2030 and aligned to our roadmap of legislation and programs, including the "2017-2022 Philippine Development Plan", within the sustainable development framework for the benefit of present and future generations;

WHEREAS, as a critical institution in the attainment of the country's future, it is incumbent upon the House of Representatives to ensure that adequate policies, strategies, and actions consistent with the principles of sustainable development are adopted and implemented;

WHEREAS, the Eighteenth Congress recognizes the efforts of multi-sectoral groups, particularly the "2030 Youth Force in the Philippines, Inc." and "Impact Hub" for urging this Congress to adopt the SDGs by including or aligning the seventeen (17) goals in all our legislative measures: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the House of Representatives, To adopt the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as the framework of legislative measures to be crafted and enacted in the Eighteenth Congress.

Resolved, further, That the House of Representatives shall, among others:

- (1) Undertake committee hearings to allow lead implementing and data source agencies to update Congress on the status of the SDGs, based on the targets and indicators established by the Philippine government;
- (2) Dedicate at least one (1) congressional hearing on SDGs for every Regular Session of the Eighteenth Congress;
- (3) Enact legislation that will attain the SDGs by supporting the plans and programs of implementing agencies and ensuring that these are time-bound, given the 2030 deadline;
- (4) Prioritize the enactment of legislation which shall improve the country's chances of meeting the SDGs targets, based on data and recommendations by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) and the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA);
- (5) Incentivize the formulation, adoption, and implementation of SDGs as a component in monitoring and evaluating the housekeeping of local government units, national government agencies, including government-owned and -controlled corporations, which shall be used as basis for performance-based bonuses and other benefits; and
 - (6) Include the youth sector in advancing the SDGs.

Resolved, finally, That the House of Representatives ensure that all national policies, plans and programs employ the "2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" as a common framework for sustainable development, not just

among Philippine government agencies and units, but in collaboration with foreign governments, local government units, and international youth and civil society organizations.

Adopted,

ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO Speaker

This Resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives on December 16, 2019.

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