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House Resolution No. 290

Introduc by Representatives ERIC GO YAP

RESOLUTION
URGING THE APPROPRIATE HOUSE COMMITTEES
TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT 11203, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
RICE TARIFFICATION LAW

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11203, otherwise known as “An Act Liberalizing
the Importation, Exportation and Trading of Rice, Lifting for the Purpose the Quantitative
Import Restriction on Rice, and for Other Purposes,” was enacted in February 14, 2019;

WHEREAS, the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 11203 was
promulgated on March 5, 2019, enabling the full implementation of the law;

WHEREAS, the goal of RA 11203 is to put in place the safety nets for Filipino
rice producers by imposing tariffs in lieu of quantitative restrictions on rice imports;

WHEREAS, the average farmgate prices of palay from January-June 2019 was
P18.87 per kilo, down 7.4% from P20.38 per kilo same period last year. In many parts
of the country, local farmers indicate farmgate prices of their produce has reached to
as low as P7 per kilo;

WHEREAS, several farmers’ groups blamed the implementation of RA 11203
for the declining palay prices;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of
the Philippines, urging the appropriate House Committees to conduct an inquiry, in
aid of legislation, on the implementation of Republic Act 11203, otherwise known as
the Rice Tariffication Law.

Approved,

ERIC GO YAP
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