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House Resolution No. 370

Introduced by the Honorable Precious Hipolito Castelo

A RESOLUTION
DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DEATH OF PHILIPPINE MILITARY ACADEMY (PMA) CADET DARWIN DORMITORIO DUE TO THE BARBARIC ACT OF HAZING ALLEGEDLY DONE BY HIS UPPERCLASSMEN

WHEREAS, it is a declared policy of the state to guarantee full respect for human rights;

WHEREAS, last September 18, 2019, PMA Cadet Darwin Dormitorio joins the long list of persons killed in hazing which has long been practiced in organizations despite the passage of Republic Act No. 11053 or the "Anti-Hazing Law of 2018";

WHEREAS, RA 11053 is already an amendatory law which is supposed to give more teeth to the initial law against hazing (RA 8049);

WHEREAS, Section 3 of RA 11053 is crystal clear in its intention to prohibit all forms of hazing;

WHEREAS, it is especially alarming that this case happened after the enactment of RA 11053, which is supposed to end this barbaric practice;

WHEREAS, it is within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Justice to investigate all matters directly and principally relating to the administration of justice;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives to direct the Committee on Justice to conduct an investigation, in aid of legislation, on the death of PMA Cadet Darwin Dormitorio.

ADOPTED,

PRECIOUS HIPOLITO CASTELO

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