## Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

## **EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS**

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HOUSE RESOLUTION No.

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Introduced by

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## RESOLUTION

URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THROUGH THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE KILLING OF FARMER PELAGIO COMPOC OF BILAR, BOHOL

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2020, at around 9:00 AM, Pelagio Compoc, a farmer and barangay tanod from Brgy. Dagohoy, Bilar, Bohol, was shot dead while tending to his carabao. He was shot five (5) times with a .45 calibre handgun. Compoc was not involved in any land dispute but had previously endured years of harassment from the Armed Forces of the Philippines for being the brother of an alleged commander of the New People's Army (NPA);

WHEREAS, in 2007, Compoc was summoned to a military detachment in Barangay Dagohoy, Bilar, Bohol, where he was interrogated by a certain Col. Lapus. In the same year, he was also coerced by a certain Sgt. Valencia of the 79<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion for information on the whereabouts of his brother. In 2004, Compoc was also illegally detained after visiting his sister-in-law who was a political prisoner;

WHEREAS, Compoc is the latest victim of the 244 peasant victims of extrajudicial killing under the Duterte administration. This case is one among many consequences of the rampant redtagging ang killing of farmers under the AFP's counterinsurgency operations and following the implementation of Executive Order 70 that, among others, created the National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict;

WHEREAS, this attack against another farmer, is a clear affront to the rights of our people, and Congress, as an institution should ensure the full protection of these rights.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the House of Representatives, through the Committee on Human Rights, conduct an investigation, in aid of legislation, on the killing of farmer Pelagio Compoc.

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