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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 838  

Introduced by REP. PRINCESS RIHAN M. SAKALURAN  

RESOLUTION  

URGING THE APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO  
CONDUCT COVID 19 TESTING TO ALL DRIVERS AND  
CONDUCTORS, AIRCRAFT PILOTS AND ITS CREW, SHIP  
CAPTAINS AND ITS CREW, RAIL/LOCOMOTIVE PILOTS AND ITS  
CREW BEFORE ITS OPERATION AS PART OF THE MINIMUM  
PUBLIC HEALTH STANDARDS.  

WHEREAS, the constitution provides that the state shall protect and  
promote the right and health of the people and instill health consciousness  
among them.  

WHEREAS, the President issued Executive Order No. 112 Imposing an  
Enhanced Community Quarantine in High Risk Geographic Areas of the  
Philippines and General Community Quarantine in the rest of the country from  
May 1, to 15, 2020.  

WHEREAS, the Inter Agency Task Force by virtue of E.O. 112, issued  
"Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the  
Philippines".  

WHEREAS, Section 3, (13), of the Omnibus Guidelines issued by the Inter  
Agency Task Force by virtue of E.O. 112 Provides:  

"13. The road, rail, maritime, and aviation sectors of public  
transportation shall operate in reduce capacity in accordance with  
the guidelines issued by the DOTr. Provided, that in all public  
transports, a strict one (1) meter distance between passengers shall  
be observed and appropriate engineering controls in place."
WHEREAS, because of the reduced operations of the road, rail, maritime, and aviation sectors of public transportation, the crews of the aforesaid sectors needs to undergo COVID 19 testing for the protection of the riding public and also for the self-protection of the crew itself.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved that the House of Representative must ensure the health safety of the riding public and the crew of the transport sector, thus the necessity of COVID 19 Testing before its operation.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the testing be given utmost priority in all testing centers free of charge.

Adopted.

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