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Introduced by Honorable Deogracias Victor ‘DV’ B. Savellano

RESOLUTION
FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO BOLSTER THE USE OF HERBAL MEDICINE AND
ACKNOWLEDGING THE SAME AS AN ALTERNATIVE SOURCE OF MEDICATION FOR HEALTH
CONCERNS

WHEREAS, herbal medicine in the Philippines has been practiced since time
immemorial and has constantly provided a rich source of alternative medicine;

WHEREAS, the Philippines, having a tropical climate, is rich in terms of traditional
and alternative medicine or natural herbs and plants for the treatment or prevention of
diseases, disorders and for the promotion of good health;

WHEREAS, concerned agencies like the Department of Health (DOH) through its
“Traditional Health Program” are not only supporting but even endorsing herbal medicines
as a substitute for modern medicine;

WHEREAS, the DOH has researched and approved ten medicinal plants for public use.
These are the most popular in herbal medicine in the Philippines. Such medicinal plants
have been thoroughly tested and have been clinically proven to have medicinal value in the
relief and treatment for various ailments.

WHEREAS, the demand for modern medicine has spiked due to overpopulation and
prevailing widespread afflictions like the current COVID-19, that recourse to other
alternative medicine is unavoidable;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the development plan of President Duterte in preserving the
Philippines’ environment and natural resources, the public should be relentless in
preventing intrusions prejudicial to our environment, and be proactive in harnessing the use
of natural herbs and plants for the treatment or prevention of diseases.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, to bolster the use of herbal medicine and acknowledging the same as an alternative source of medication for health concerns.

Adopted,

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