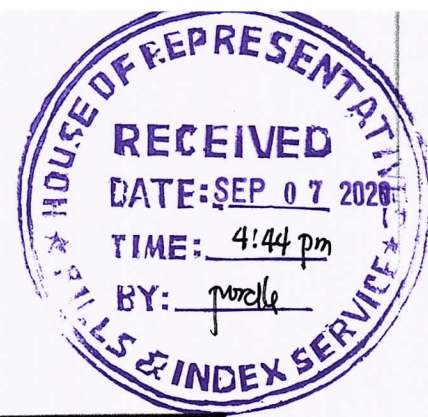


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Introduced By Representative ERIC M. MARTINEZ

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RESOLUTION
DIRECTING THE METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TO
INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE CURRENT WATER
LEVELS AT ANGAT DAM, LA MESA DAM, AND OTHER WATER
SOURCES FOR METRO MANILA, AND THE SAVING MEASURES
TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY WATER CONCESSIONAIRES
TO PREVENT ANOTHER WATER CRISIS

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WHEREAS, in March 2019, the Metro Manila suffered the worst water crisis of the decade which affected more than six million people, including businesses, schools, and hospitals;

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WHEREAS, the public did not know that it was going to happen until the water service concessionaires, Manila Water and Maynilad, surprisingly announced that they need to cut or reduce the water supply in parts of Metro Manila and Rizal due to low water levels at Angat Dam and La Mesa Dam;

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WHEREAS, there are reports that the water levels at Angat Dam and La Mesa Dam remain below normal levels despite a series of heavy rains for the past few days;

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WHEREAS, there are rotational water interruptions implemented by water service concessionaires, the latest is on 03 September 2020 which affected almost 300,000 people in 79,076 households in the National Capital Region¹;

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WHEREAS, maintaining enough water supply is more critical than ever in implementing preventive measures against the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID19) pandemic such as hand washing and other hygiene and sanitation needs;

¹ <https://www.gmanetwork.com/news/ncr-barangays-to-have-water-service-interruption-on-sept-3>.

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WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to verify the current water levels at Angat Dam, La Mesa Dam, and other water sources for Metro Manila, and determine whether the existing water service concessionaires are performing their duties to ensure that there will be sustainable water supply in Metro Manila;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED TO DIRECT THE THE METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE CURRENT WATER LEVELS AT ANGAT DAM, LA MESA DAM, AND OTHER WATER SOURCES FOR METRO MANILA, AND THE SAVING MEASURES TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY WATER CONCESSIONAIRES TO PREVENT ANOTHER WATER CRISIS.

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