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Introduced by REPRESENTATIVE JOY MYRA S. TAMBUNTING

A RESOLUTION
DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PREPARE A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF COVID-19 VACCINES TO EVERY FILIPINO

WHEREAS, six months has passed since March 16, 2020, when the country was first placed under community quarantine—effectively restricting the movement of the population except for necessity, work, and health circumstances;

WHEREAS, whilst community quarantine measures, together with succeeding laws and policies, has been effective in decreasing the rate of transmission of the disease, it has largely affected the nation’s economy due to months inactivity;

WHEREAS, we continue to struggle due to the enforcement of community quarantine measures and the limited economic activity in the country;

WHEREAS, the DOH reported that Philippines’ purchase and distribution of Covid-19 vaccines can only be made starting the second quarter of 2021;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health is currently awaiting clinical trial protocol for the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) vaccine Sputnik V from Russia before it starts its evaluation for the conduct of clinical trials in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, considering this delay, it is only appropriate that the Department of Health proactively prepare a comprehensive vaccine plan on how every Filipino could avail of the COVID-19 vaccine once it is available;

WHEREAS, the early preparation of a comprehensive vaccination plan will allow for the speedy distribution of the COVID-19 vaccines; and will consequently hasten the resumption of normal activities which would greatly help our economy’s recovery.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives direct the Department of Health to prepare a comprehensive COVID-19 vaccination plan to ensure the prompt distribution of vaccines to Filipino once it is available.

Adopted,

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