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A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY ON THE PRESENT STATUS OF AND ISSUES CONCERNING SERVICE CONTRACT NO. 38, OR THE MALAMPAYA DEEP WATER GAS-TO-POWER PROJECT, IN VIEW OF ITS SIGNIFICANCE TO THE ENERGY SUPPLY AND SECURITY OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, Service Contract No. 38 ("SC 38"), or the Malampaya Deep Water Gas-to-Power Project ("Malampaya Project"), is set to expire in 2024 and the Malampaya gas field will reportedly be exhausted by 2027;

WHEREAS, in view of the significance of the Malampaya Project in the country's energy supply and security, there is a need to determine (1) what the government's exact plans are for SC 38, especially on light of reports of a planned extension of the contract and, if so, whether such extension is viable considering the reported impending exhaustion of the Malampaya gas field and how such extension may be lawfully conducted, (2) the actual status of the resources in the Malampaya gas field and the production of the Malampaya Project, (3) the implications of the recent sale by Chevron Malampaya LLC and the reported planned sale by Shell Philippines Exploration BV of their respective stakes in the Malampaya Project on the rights of the government, represented by PNOE Exploration Corporation, under SC 38 and whether the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 87, otherwise known as the Oil Exploration and Development Act of 1972, and SC 38 have been and are complied with;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to direct the Committee on Energy of the House of Representatives to conduct an inquiry on the present status of and issues concerning SC 38, or the Malampaya Project, in view of its significance to the energy supply and security of the Philippines.

Adopted,

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