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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Roberto V. Puno called the session to order.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The session is called to order.

PRAYER

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). All please rise for a minute of silent prayer.

Everybody rose for the silent prayer.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Please remain standing for the singing of the National Anthem.

Everybody remained standing for the singing of the Philippine National Anthem.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. Mr. Speaker, I move that we defer the calling of the roll.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. Mr. Speaker, I move that we approve Journal No. 7 of Monday, August 5, 2019.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

Journal No. 7 of Monday, August 5, 2019, is hereby approved.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. Mr. Speaker, I move that we proceed to the Reference of Business.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Secretary General will please read the Reference of Business.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

The Secretary General read the following House Bills and Resolutions on First Reading, and Communications and the Deputy Speaker made the corresponding references:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 3377, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE DUMANJUG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (BITOON NATIONAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – POBLACION EXTENSION) IN BARANGAY LIONG, MUNICIPALITY OF DUMANJUG, PROVINCE OF CEBU FROM THE BITOON NATIONAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS DUMANJUG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Calderon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION
AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3378, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE LANGIN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – RONDA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL POBLACION EXTENSION IN BARANGAY POBLACION, MUNICIPALITY OF RONDA, PROVINCE OF CEBU FROM THE LANGIN NATIONAL

HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE RONDANATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Calderon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3379, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE COGON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – HIPOLITO BOQUECOSA MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (BULLOGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL EXTENSION) IN BARANGAY BULLOGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF DUMANJUG, PROVINCE OF CEBU FROM COGON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS HIPOLITO BOQUECOSA (BULLOGAN, DUMANJUG) NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Calderon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3380, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Sacdalan
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 3381, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE WORKERS' RIGHT TO SECURITY OF TENURE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representatives Gaité, Zarate, Cullamat, Brosas, Castro (France) and Elago
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 3382, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING EMPLOYERS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO PAY 14TH MONTH PAY”

By Representative Castelo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 3383, entitled:

“AN ACT INTERDICTING UNAUTHORIZED DISPOSITION OF HUMAN CORPSES BY INDIVIDUALS, CREMATORIUMS OR FUNERAL PARLORS AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3384, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE METROPOLITAN QUEZON DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

House Bill No. 3385, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING EMPLOYEES THE RIGHT TO DISCONNECT FROM WORK-RELATED ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AFTER WORK HOURS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED”

By Representative Castelo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 3386, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING FOREIGN NATIONALS TO PRESENT VALID TRAVEL DOCUMENTS AND PERMITS CORRESPONDING TO THE PURPOSE OF THEIR STAY BEFORE THEY CAN LEASE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES IN THE PHILIPPINES, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 3387, entitled:

“AN ACT IMPOSING THE PENALTY OF TWO YEARS OF IMPRISONMENT AND/OR A FINE OF P200,000.00 AGAINST A DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR INDICATIVE OF ROAD

RAGE AND PRESCRIBING GUIDELINES
THEREFOR”

By Representative Castelo
T O T H E C O M M I T T E E O N
T R A N S P O R T A T I O N

House Bill No. 3388, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING INTERNET SHOPS
FROM ADMITTING ELEMENTARY
AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH
THE INTENT TO PLAY ON-LINE/VIDEO
GAMES DURING SCHOOL HOURS
AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR
VIOLATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo
T O T H E C O M M I T T E E O N
B A S I C E D U C A T I O N
A N D C U L T U R E

House Bill No. 3389, entitled:

“AN ACT DESIGNATING A DULY MARKED
EMERGENCY LANE IN URBAN
THOROUGHFARES AND PRESCRIBING
PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo
T O T H E C O M M I T T E E O N
T R A N S P O R T A T I O N

House Bill No. 3390, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN INSURANCE
COVERAGE FOR THE PROTECTION
OF INCOME OF EVERY BONAFIDE
OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKER AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo
T O T H E C O M M I T T E E O N
O V E R S E A S
W O R K E R S A F F A I R S

House Bill No. 3391, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING DRAG RACING IN
PUBLIC ROADS AND PRESCRIBING
PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo
T O T H E C O M M I T T E E O N
T R A N S P O R T A T I O N

House Bill No. 3392, entitled:

“AN ACT EXEMPTING MICRO AND SMALL
ENTERPRISES FROM NATIONAL AND
LOCAL TAXES ARISING FROM THE FIRST
FIVE (5) YEARS OF ITS OPERATIONS;
MEDIUM ENTERPRISES FROM NATIONAL
OR LOCAL TAXES ARISING FROM

THE FIRST TWO (2) YEARS OF ITS
OPERATIONS”

By Representative Lacson-Noel
T O T H E C O M M I T T E E O N
W A Y S A N D
M E A N S

House Bill No. 3393, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE PRODUCTION,
PROCESSING, MARKETING AND
DISTRIBUTION OF PHILIPPINE MANGO,
MANDATING THE CREATION OF A
FRAMEWORK FOR DEVELOPMENT
PLAN, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Garin (Sharon)
T O T H E C O M M I T T E E O N
A G R I C U L T U R E
A N D F O O D

House Bill No. 3394, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE
STRENGTHENING OF AGRICULTURAL
EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN THE
PHILIPPINES BY INSTITUTIONALIZING
THE MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT FOR
AGRICULTURAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP,
PROVIDING FOR ITS MECHANISM, AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Garin (Sharon)
T O T H E C O M M I T T E E O N
A G R I C U L T U R E
A N D F O O D

House Bill No. 3395, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROTECT MARINE MAMMALS
AND ENSURE THEIR SURVIVAL FOR THE
BENEFIT OF FUTURE GENERATIONS”

By Representatives Suansing (Estrellita) and
Suansing (Horacio)
T O T H E C O M M I T T E E O N
N A T U R A L
R E S O U R C E S

House Bill No. 3396, entitled:

“AN ACT ENSURING THE FUNDAMENTAL
EQUALITY OF MEN AND WOMEN,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES
14, 96, 124, 211 AND 225 OF EXECUTIVE
ORDER NO. 209 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Acosta-Alba
T O T H E C O M M I T T E E O N
W O M E N A N D
G E N D E R E Q U A L I T Y

House Bill No. 3397, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN ELDERLY
CARE AND NURSING COMPLEX IN
EVERY PROVINCE AND CITY AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Revilla
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SENIOR
CITIZENS

House Bill No. 3398, entitled:
“THE MAGNA CARTA FOR DAY CARE
WORKERS”

By Representative Revilla
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF
CHILDREN

House Bill No. 3399, entitled:
“AN ACT RENAMING THE BOGO–CURVA–
MEDELLIN–DAAN BANTAYAN–MAYA
ROAD IN THE PROVINCE OF CEBU TO
JUAN MACARAEG HIGHWAY”

By Representative Salimbangon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS
AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 3400, entitled:
“AN ACT EXTENDING FOR ANOTHER
TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE
FRANCHISE GRANTED TO FIRST UNITED
BROADCASTING CORPORATION (FUBC),
PRESENTLY KNOWN AS GLOBAL
SATELLITE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES
INC., AMENDING FURTHER FOR THE
PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED
8079 ENTITLED ‘AN ACT GRANTING
THE FIRST UNITED BROADCASTING
CORPORATION (FUBC) A FRANCHISE
TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE
AND MAINTAIN FOR COMMERCIAL
PURPOSES RADIO AND TELEVISION
BROADCASTING STATIONS ANYWHERE
IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES’, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC
ACT NUMBERED 8699”

By Representative Gonzales (Aurelio)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE
FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 3401, entitled:
“AN ACT MANDATING ALL BUSES, TRUCKS,
AND OTHER HEAVY VEHICLES TO
UNDERGO PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE
WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE COMPANIES
AND MONTHLY INSPECTIONS WITH
THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE
(LTO) TO PREVENT ACCIDENTS DUE TO
MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE
AND TO ENSURE ROAD SAFETY”

By Representative Herrera-Dy
TO THE COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 3402, entitled:
“AN ACT INTEGRATING ROAD SAFETY
EDUCATION IN THE CURRICULUM OF THE
BASIC EDUCATION (K TO 12) PROGRAM”

By Representative Lim
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION
AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3403, entitled:
“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF
CELLULAR PHONES AND SIMILAR
DIGITAL DEVICES DURING CLASSES”

By Representative Salceda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION
AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON
HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 3404, entitled:
“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE
MODERNIZATION OF FIRE PROTECTION
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Salceda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER
AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 3405, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING THE PROVINCE OF
MAGUINDANAO NORTH”

By Representative Mangudadatu
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3406, entitled:
“AN ACT IMPOSING A LIMIT TO THE NUMBER
OF HOURS AN EMPLOYEE CAN WORK
AND BE MADE TO WORK OVERTIME,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES
87 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS
AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Lacson-Noel
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND
EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 3407, entitled:
“AN ACT EXEMPTING SENIOR CITIZENS
FROM THE PAYMENT OF PARKING FEES
IN ALL COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS
AND GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS THAT
CHARGE PARKING FEES, THEREBY
AMENDING SECTION 4 OF REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 7432 AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 9257 AND FURTHER AMENDED
BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9994, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE ‘EXPANDED SENIOR
CITIZENS ACT OF 2010’”

By Representative Olivarez
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SENIOR
CITIZENS

House Bill No. 3408, entitled:

“AN ACT EXEMPTING PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES (PWDs) AND SENIOR
CITIZENS OF THE PAYMENT OF TRAVEL
TAX”

By Representative Olivarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 3409, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE OFFICE
OF JUDICIARY MARSHALS AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Biazon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 3410, entitled:

“AN ACT ADJUSTING THE SALARY OF
CIVILIAN PERSONNEL IN THE
GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”

By Representative Nograles (Jericho)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 3411, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE USE OF
MOUNTED DASHBOARD VIDEO
CAMERA IN ALL GOVERNMENT
SERVICE VEHICLES AND PUBLIC
UTILITY VEHICLES”

By Representative Crisologo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 3412, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING INTEGRATED
URBAN AGRICULTURE IN URBAN
AREAS NATIONWIDE TO ADDRESS
FOOD SECURITY AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Benitez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
AND FOOD

House Bill No. 3413, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS
OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9372, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS ‘AN ACT TO SECURE THE
STATE AND PROTECT OUR PEOPLE
FROM TERRORISM’ ”

By Representatives Tulfo, Yap (Eric) and Taturan
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER
AND SAFETY AND THE COMMITTEE ON
NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 3414, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A FARMER-
GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP,
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Dy (Faustino Michael)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
AND FOOD

House Bill No. 3415, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN AUTOMATIC
ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF THE
CENTENARIAN GIFT, AMENDING
FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT
10868, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘THE
CENTENARIANS ACT OF 2016’ ”

By Representative Zamora (Ronaldo)
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SENIOR
CITIZENS

House Bill No. 3416, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 24 OF EVERY
YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY
IN THE PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA
SIBUGAY IN COMMEMORATION OF
ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE
KNOWN AS ‘ARAW NG SIBUGAY’ ”

By Representative Palma
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3417, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE MARAWI
CITY-KAPAI-TAGOLOAN, LANA
DEL SUR CONNECTING TALAKAG,
BUKIDNON INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Adiong
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS
AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 3418, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR MONETARY
COMPENSATION FOR THE LOSS OR
DESTRUCTION OF RESIDENTIAL AND
COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES DURING
THE MARAWI SIEGE IN THE CITY OF
MARAWI, PROVINCE OF LANA
DEL SUR, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Adiong
TO THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER
MANAGEMENT

House Bill No. 3419, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL

ROAD CONNECTING THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BALINDONG AND PIAGAPO IN LANAODEL SUR TO PANTAO RAGAT IN LANAODEL NORTE INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Adiong
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 3420, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DIRECT REMITTANCE TO THE HOST LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF ITS FORTY PERCENT (40%) SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS DERIVED FROM THE UTILIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL WEALTH, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 293 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ‘LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991’”

By Representative Matugas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3421, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING PERTINENT LAWS ON THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS AND PENSION OF UNIFORMED PERSONNEL OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFORE”

By Representative Matugas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 3422, entitled:

“AN ACT BANNING THE IMPORTATION OF SOLID WASTE”

By Representative Chipeco
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 3423, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR FACILITIES UTILIZING WASTE-TO-ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

House Bill No. 3424, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE REGULATION OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

House Bill No. 3425, entitled:

“AN ACT PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF REFUGEES AND STATELESS PERSONS, ESTABLISHING THE REFUGEES AND STATELESS PERSONS PROTECTION BOARD, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 3426, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3427, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DRUG REHABILITATION CENTER IN THE ISLAND MUNICIPALITY OF PRES. C.P. GARCIA IN THE SECOND DISTRICT OF BOHOL AND IN EVERY PROVINCE IN THE COUNTRY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Aumentado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON DANGEROUS DRUGS

House Bill No. 3428, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE POLITICAL PARTY SYSTEM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Macapagal Arroyo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND ELECTORAL REFORMS

House Bill No. 3429, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING SITIO MALABNI IN BARANGAY MAWACAT, MUNICIPALITY OF FLORIDABLANCA, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA, INTO A BARANGAY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Macapagal Arroyo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3430, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING SITIO CAMATCHILE IN BARANGAY NABUKLOD, MUNICIPALITY OF FLORIDABLANCA, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA, INTO A BARANGAY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Macapagal Arroyo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3431, entitled:

“AN ACT REDUCING THE COST OF
ELECTRICITY FOR NATIONAL
GOVERNMENT OFFICES BY PROMOTING
THE DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION
OF SOLAR ENERGY IN ALL GOVERNMENT
BUILDINGS AND OFFICES, PROVIDING
FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

House Bill No. 3432, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A NATIONAL
EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND
EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 3433, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE
UTILIZATION OF INFORMATION AND
COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)
IN ALL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
AND HIGH SCHOOLS, PROVIDING
FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION
AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3434, entitled:

“AN ACT EXPEDITING THE TITLING
OF LANDS AWARDED UNDER THE
COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM
PROGRAM, LIFTING THE RESTRICTIONS
ON THE UTILIZATION OF SUCH LANDS
AS COLLATERAL FOR SECURING
AGRICULTURAL LOANS, AND OTHER
SIMILAR FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRARIAN
REFORM

House Bill No. 3435, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A TEN THOUSAND
PESO (P10,000.00) ACROSS-THE-BOARD
INCREASE IN THE BASIC MONTHLY
SALARY OF ALL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY

AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 3436, entitled:

“AN ACT ADJUSTING THE SALARY
SCHEDULE OF CIVILIAN PERSONNEL
IN THE GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 3437, entitled:

“AN ACT PRIORITIZING THE
AGRICULTURAL SECTOR IN THE
GRANT OF LOANS BY THE LAND BANK
OF THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR
THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3844,
AS AMENDED”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND
FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

House Bill No. 3438, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A DISTRICT
ENGINEERING OFFICE IN THE 6TH
DISTRICT OF BATANGAS PROVINCE AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS
AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 3439, entitled:

“AN ACT UPGRADING THE LIPA CITY
HOSPITAL INTO A SECONDARY LEVEL
HOSPITAL AND INCREASING THE
BED CAPACITY FOR GENERAL CARE
SERVICES FROM ONE HUNDRED (100) TO
TWO HUNDRED (200), APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3440, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT
OF OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS,
DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS,
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE
ON OVERSEAS WORKERS AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 3441, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING JULY 27 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NATIONAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN COMMEMORATION OF THE FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY OF THE IGLESIA NI CRISTO IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 3442, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING ALL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS TO PREPARE AND IMPLEMENT A LAND USE DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN FOR THE OPTIMUM UTILIZATION OF ITS RESOURCES IN ADDRESSING BASIC EDUCATION FACILITY SHORTAGES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3443, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS FOR BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEER WORKERS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3444, entitled:

“AN ACT EXCLUDING 13TH MONTH PAY FROM THE COMPUTATION OF TAXABLE INCOME, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTION 32 (B) (7) (e) OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 3445, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP TO QUALIFIED STUDENTS IN ALL MUNICIPALITIES ESTABLISHING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE ONE TOWN: ONE DOCTOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 3446, entitled:

“AN ACT ALLOWING THE USE OF MOTORCYCLES AS PUBLIC UTILITY VEHICLES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4136, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ‘LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC CODE’ ”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 3447, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION IN NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT BY INCREASING THE SHARE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS IN THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE TAXES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 284 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3448, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL MARICULTURE PROGRAM, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 3449, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE GRANT OF A TEACHING SUPPLIES ALLOWANCE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3450, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MULTIPURPOSE GYM IN ALL MUNICIPALITIES AND CITIES TO SERVE AS EVACUATION CENTER DURING TIMES OF CALAMITY OR DISASTER AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

House Bill No. 3451, entitled:

“AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF A FULL CROP INSURANCE COVERAGE TO QUALIFIED BENEFICIARIES OF THE COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM PROGRAM AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9700, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ‘COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM PROGRAM EXTENSION WITH REFORMS’ ”

By Representative Santos-Recto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
AND FOOD

House Bill No. 3452, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MEMORIAL FOR THE VICTIMS OF SUPER TYPHOON YOLANDA IN TACLOBAN CITY, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representatives Cullamat, Zarate and Gaité
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS
AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 3453, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING AND PENALIZING THE DEPUTIZATION OF ANY UNIT OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND/OR ANY OF ITS PARAMILITARY GROUPS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT DUTIES IN LABOR AND AGRARIAN DISPUTES”

By Representatives Cullamat, Zarate and Gaité
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE
AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 3454, entitled:

“AN ACT CLASSIFYING THE SALE AND IMPORTATION OF DRUGS AND MEDICINES PRESCRIBED FOR MENTAL DISORDERS THEREOF AS VALUE-ADDED TAX EXEMPT TRANSACTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 109 (1) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TAX REFORM ACT OF 1997, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9337, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Gaité, Zarate and Cullamat
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND
MEANS

House Bill No. 3455, entitled:

“AN ACT DECRIMINALIZING LIBEL, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE

ARTICLES 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 360, 361, AND 362 OF ACT NO. 3815 AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE”

By Representatives Zarate, Gaité and Cullamat
TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF
LAWS

House Bill No. 3456, entitled:

“AN ACT DEFINING STRATEGIC LAWSUITS AGAINST PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, PROHIBITING THE FILING THEREOF, PROVIDING MEASURES FOR ITS DISMISSAL, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Cullamat, Zarate and Gaité
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 3457, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4, 6, AND 7 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9006, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FAIR ELECTION ACT”

By Representative Zubiri
TO THE COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND
ELECTORAL REFORMS

House Bill No. 3458, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF DAVAO DEL NORTE A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN COMMERCIAL FM AND AM RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN MINDANAO”

By Representatives Alvarez (Pantaleon) and Dujali
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE
FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 3459, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER RESILIENCE DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Velasco
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE
ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

House Bill No. 3460, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL WETLAND POLICY, PROVIDING MECHANISMS FOR ITS INSTITUTIONALIZATION, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representatives Hataman and Sangcopan
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL
RESOURCES

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 189, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEES
ON GOOD GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC
ACCOUNTABILITY AND GAMES AND
AMUSEMENTS TO CONDUCT AN
INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION,
INTO THE EXISTENCE OF MASSIVE
CORRUPTION IN THE PHILIPPINE
CHARITY SWEEPSTAKES OFFICE (PCSO)
INCLUDING ALL GAMING ACTIVITIES
OPERATED, LICENSED AND FRANCHISED
BY IT”

By Representative Velasco
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 190, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE
ON ECOLOGY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY,
IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BAMBOO
LIVELIHOOD PROGRAM IN RELATION
TO THE GOVERNMENT'S NATIONAL
GREENING PROGRAM (NGP)”

By Representative Velasco
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 191, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT
OF TOURISM (DOT) AND THE NATIONAL
COMMISSION FOR CULTURE AND
THE ARTS (NCCA) TO IDENTIFY
MARINDUQUE AS THE ONE AND ONLY
HOME OF THE 'MORIONES FESTIVAL' IN
THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Velasco
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Resolution No. 192, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND
FOOD TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION,
IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE
STATUS OF PROLIFERATION OF
IMPORTED CANNED PORK MEATS AND
PROCESSED PORK PRODUCTS IN THE
PHILIPPINES FROM THE COUNTRIES
AFFECTED BY AFRICAN SWINE
FEVER”

By Representative Geron
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 193, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND
FOOD TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN
AID OF LEGISLATION, IN ORDER TO
DETERMINE THE PREPAREDNESS OF
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES
AND ATTACHED AGENCIES CONCERNED
AGAINST AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (ASF)”

By Representative Geron
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Joint Resolution No. 7, entitled:

“JOINT RESOLUTION URGENTLY
AUTHORIZING HONORARIUM FOR
THE MEMBERS OF SANGGUNIANG
KABATAAN”

By Representative Elago
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter dated May 24, 2018 of Atty. Roy L. Ursal,
Director IV, Regional Director, Commission
on Audit, Region XI, furnishing the House of
Representatives a copy of the Annual Audit Report
(AAR) of the Compostela Valley State College
(CVSC), Poblacion, Compostela, Compostela
Valley Province for the year ended December 31,
2017.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated May 24, 2018 of Atty. Roy L. Ursal,
Director IV, Regional Director, Commission
on Audit, Region XI, furnishing the House of
Representatives the Annual Audit Report (AAR) of
the Davao del Norte State College (DNSC), New
Visayas, Panabo City, Davao del Norte for the year
ended December 31, 2017.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated 30 July 2018 of Agnes VST Devanadera,
Chairperson and CEO, Energy Regulatory
Commission, submitting to the House of
Representatives the 2017 Annual Report in
compliance with Sec. 43 of R.A. No. 9136.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

Letter dated August 6, 2018 of Eduardo M Año,
Officer-in-Charge, Department of the Interior
and Local Government, furnishing the House of
Representatives the Department's 2017 Annual
Report.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

Letter dated August 9, 2018 of Fortunato T. De La Peña, Secretary, Department of Science and Technology, furnishing the House of Representatives a copy of the 2016 and 2017 DOST Performance Reports.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Letter dated August 16, 2018 of Atty. Arlene C. Dada-Arnaldo, Deputy Secretary General for Committee Affairs, House of Representatives, for information on the following reports:

1. Thirty-nine (39) Common Legislative Priorities of the Congress of the Philippines; and
 2. Twenty-eight (28) Legislative-Executive Development Advisory Council (LEDAC) Approved Common Legislative Agenda (CLA).
- TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Letter dated September 14, 2018 of Anthony L. Almeda, President and Chief Executive Officer, National Grid Corporation of the Philippines (NGCP), submitting to the House of Representatives the NGCP 2017 Performance Highlights.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

Letter dated October 2, 2018 of Emmanuel F. Piñol, Secretary, Department of Agriculture, submitting to the House of Representatives the Agency Action Plan and Status of Implementation on Consolidated Annual Audit Report as of August 24, 2018.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated October 8, 2018 of Timoteo G. Pacleb, Police Chief Superintendent, Regional Director, Philippine National Police, submitting to the House of Representatives the Detailed Accomplishments in the Utilization of Confidential and Counterintelligence Fund for 3rd Quarter CY 2018 of Police Regional Office 10 (PRO 10).
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated October 8, 2018 of Timoteo G. Pacleb, Police Chief Superintendent, Regional Director, Philippine National Police, submitting to the House of Representatives the Detailed Accomplishments in the Utilization of Additional Confidential and Counterintelligence Fund for 3rd Quarter CY 2018 of Police Regional Office 10 (PRO 10).
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated October 15, 2018 of Agnes VST Devanadera, Chairperson and CEO, Energy Regulatory Commission, furnishing the House of Representatives their Accomplishment Report for the 3rd Quarter - July to September 2018.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

Letter dated October 18, 2018 of Roman G. Del Rosario, Presiding Justice, Court of Tax Appeals, submitting to the House of Representatives the Quarterly Financial and Physical Accomplishment Reports of the Court of Tax Appeals for the 3rd quarter ending September 30, 2018.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

Letter dated December 18, 2018 of Sarah Gutierrez-Cayona, Executive Director, Philippine Council for Agriculture and Fisheries, furnishing the House of Representatives a copy of the book entitled "A Rapid Assessment of the Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization Act (AFMA) (Phase I Evaluation).
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AND THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

Letter dated January 10, 2019 of Atty. Rufino M. Margate, Jr., Secretary General, Federation of Philippine Industries Inc. (FPI), furnishing the House of Representatives a copy of the FPI Annual Report for 2017-2018.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

Letter dated January 23, 2019 of Gen Ricardo R. Visaya (Ret), Administrator, National Irrigation Administration, furnishing the House of Representatives copy of the book entitled, Agricultural Abundance: The Thirty-Year Journey of CARP-IC.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

Letter dated January 25, 2019 of Caesar R. Dulay, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Bureau of Internal Revenue, forwarding to the House of Representatives the Budget and Financial Accountability Reports (BFARs) as of December 31, 2018.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Letter dated January 29, 2019 of Atty. Guiller B. Asido, Administrator, Intramuros Administration, transmitting to the House of Representatives the Financial Reports of the Intramuros Administration for the year ending December 31, 2018.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Letter dated January 29, 2019 of Bernadette I. Gloria, OIC, Audit Team Leader, Commission on Audit, Regional Office No. VII, furnishing the House of

Representatives a copy of the Audit Report of the following Water Districts in Region 7:

1. Metropolitan Cebu Water District (CY 2017); and
2. Toledo City Water District (CY 2015-2017).

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated February 19, 2019 of Mario G. Lipana, Director III, Officer-in-Charge, Commission on Audit, Regional Office No. IV-A, furnishing the House of Representatives a copy of the CY 2017 and prior years' Annual Audit Reports on the following Water Districts:

1. Carmona Water District, Carmona, Cavite (CY 2016-2017);
2. Pililla Water District, Pililla, Rizal (CY 2016-2017);
3. Dolores Water District, Dolores, Quezon (CY 2015-2017);
4. Taal Water District, Taal, Batangas (CY 2015-2017);
5. Rosario Water District, Rosario, Batangas (CY 2015-2017);
6. San Pedro Water District, San Pedro City, Laguna (CY 2014-2017; and
7. San Francisco Water District, San Francisco, Quezon (CY 2014-2016).

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated June 21, 2019 of Maria Gleda E. Lim, State Auditor V, Supervising Auditor, Office of the Supervising Auditor, Commission on Audit (COA), Regional Office No. VI, Ungka I, Pavia, Iloilo, furnishing the House of Representatives the 2013-2018 Annual Audit Reports of the following Water Districts:

1. Lambunao Water District, Lambunao, Iloilo (CY 2016-2018);
2. Miag-ao Water District, Miag-ao, Iloilo (CY 2016-2018); and
3. New Lucena Water District, New Lucena, Iloilo (CY 2013-2018).

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated June 21, 2019 of Arnel R. Patatag, Atty. IV-OIC, Audit Team Leader, Office of the Auditor, Commission on Audit (COA), Mactan-Cebu International Airport Authority, Lapulapu City, furnishing the House of Representatives a copy of the 2018 Annual Audit Report of the Mactan-Cebu International Airport Authority.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated June 24, 2019 of Ernesto M. Pernia, Secretary, National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), submitting to the House of

Representatives a copy of the NEDA Secretariat's Report on the CY 2018 ODA Portfolio Review.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Letter dated June 26, 2019 of Atty. Dante A. Gierran, Director, National Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, Manila, submitting to the House of Representatives a copy of Accomplishment Report for the period covering April to May 2019 in the use of Confidential Funds.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

Letter dated June 28, 2019 of USEC Ricardo B. Jalad, Administrator, Office of Civil Defense, Department of National Defense, furnishing the House of Representatives a copy of the Agency Action Plan and Status of Implementation (AAPSI) for CY 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

Letter dated July 2, 2019 of Atty. Eden T. Rafanan, Regional Director, Commission on Audit (COA), Cordillera Administrative Region, La Trinidad, Benguet, furnishing the House of Representatives with a copy each of the 2018 Annual Audit Reports of the following State Universities and Colleges:

1. Abra State Institute of Sciences and Technology, Lagangilang, Abra;
2. Apayao State College, Conner, Apayao;
3. Benguet State University, La Trinidad, Benguet;
4. Ifugao State University, Lamut, Ifugao;
5. Kalinga State University, Tabuk City, Kalinga; and
6. Mountain Province State Polytechnic College, Bontoc, Mt. Province.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated July 2, 2019 of Marsia A. Ruero, State Auditor IV, Audit Team Leader, Commission on Audit, Audit Group NGS – SUCs and Other NGS Stand-Alone Agencies, Audit Team No. R5-03, furnishing the House of Representatives with a copy of the Annual Audit Report (AAR) on the Central Bicol State University of Agriculture (CBSUA), Pili, Camarines Sur for the year ended December 31, 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated July 3, 2019 of Michael G. Aguinaldo, Chairperson, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives with a copy of the Accomplishment Report for the 2nd Quarter of 2019 confidential activities of the Commission.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Printed copy of the electronic mail dated July 4, 2019 of the officials of National Electrification Administration, submitting their Fund Utilization Reports for the 1st and 2nd Quarter of 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Printed copy of the electronic mail dated July 8, 2019 of the Local Finance Committee (LFC), Province of Dinagat Islands, submitting the Quarterly Financial Reports on Operations for the Quarter Ending March to June 2019, on the Conditioning Matching Grant to Provinces for Road Repair, Rehabilitation and Improvement (CMGP), attested by Glenda B. Ecleo, Provincial Governor.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated July 8, 2019 of Jose A. Fabia, Commissioner, Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Chairperson, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives the CY 2017-2018 Annual Audit Reports/Management Letters of the following Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) in the National Capital Region.

A. Annual Audit Reports:

1. Al-Amanah Islamic Investment Bank of the Philippines (AAIIBP);
2. Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP);
3. BCDA Management and Holdings, Inc. (BMHI);
4. Cagayan Economic Zone Authority (CEZA);
5. CDCP Farms Corporation (CDCP-FC);
6. Center for International Trade Expositions and Missions (CITEM);
7. Corregidor Foundation, Inc. (CFI);
8. Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP);
9. Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP);
10. Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP);
11. Disc Contractors Builders and General Services, Inc. (DISC);
12. Food Terminal, Inc. (FTI);
13. Government Service Insurance System (GSIS);
14. Home Development Mutual Fund (HDMF);
15. Home Guaranty Corporation (HGC);
16. Intercontinental Broadcasting Corporation (IBC-13);
17. Laguna Lake Development Authority (LLDA);
18. LBP Insurance Brokerage, Inc. (LIBI);
19. LBP Leasing and Finance Corporation (LLFC);
20. LBP Resources and Development Corporation (LBRDC);
21. Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA);

22. Manila International Airport Authority (MIAA);
23. Metropolitan Waterworks & Sewerage System (MWSS);
24. National Dairy Authority (NDA);
25. National Electrification Administration (NEA);
26. National Housing Authority (NHA);
27. National Power Corporation (NPC);
28. National Tobacco Administration (NTA);
29. National Transmission Corporation (TransCo);
30. North Luzon Railways Corporation (NLRC);
31. Overseas Filipino Bank, Inc. (OFB) - formerly Philippine Postal Savings Bank, Inc.;
32. PEA Tollway Corporation (PEATC);
33. Philippine Aerospace Development Corp. (PADC);
34. Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation (PDIC);
35. Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA);
36. Philippine Institute of Traditional and Alternative Health Care (PITAHC);
37. Philippine Mining Development Corporation (PMDC);
38. Philippine National Oil Company (PNOC);
39. Philippine National Railways (PNR);
40. Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA);
41. Philippine Retirement Authority (PRA);
42. Philippine Sugar Corporation (PHILSUCOR);
43. PNOC Exploration Corporation (PNOC-EC);
44. PNOC Renewables Corporation (PNOC-RC);
45. Power Sector Assets & Liabilities Mgt. Corp. (PSALM);
46. Small Business Guarantee and Finance Corporation (SBGFC);
47. Trade & Investment Development Corporation of the Philippines (TIDCORP); and
48. Veterans Federation of the Philippines (VFP) (CY 2018).

B. Management Letters:

1. Duty Free Philippines Corporation (DFPC) (CY 2018); and
2. Nayong Pilipino Foundation (NPF) (CY 2018).

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Quarterly Physical Report of Operations for the Quarter ending June 30, 2019 from the Department of the Interior and Local Government, Dinagat Islands, on the Local Government Support Fund – Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces for Road Repair, Rehabilitation and Improvement (CMGP),

attested by Aimee A. Jimeno, DVM Provincial Administrator - Designated.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Accomplishment Report of the Bureau of Customs from April to June 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Letter dated July 19, 2019 of Jose C. Calida, Solicitor General, Office of the Solicitor General (OSG), submitting to the House of Representatives the OSG's Agency Action Plan and Status of Implementation (AAPSI) of the Audit Observation and Recommendations for CY 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

2018 Annual Audit Reports of the following State Universities/Colleges, Water Districts and Other CGS Stand-Alone Agencies:

A. State Universities/Colleges:

1. Bicol University, Legazpi City;
2. Bukidnon State University (BukSU), Malaybalay City;
3. University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines (USTSP), Cagayan de Oro City;
4. University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines (USTSP) Claveria Campus, Claveria, Misamis Oriental;
5. Camiguin Polytechnic State College (CPSC), Balbagon, Mambajao, Camiguin; and
6. Sorsogon State College, Sorsogon City.

B. Water Districts:

1. Claveria Water District, Claveria, Misamis Oriental;
2. Tagoloan Water District, Tagoloan, Misamis Oriental;
3. Balingasag Water District, Balingasag, Misamis Oriental;
4. Cagayan de Oro City Water District, Cagayan de Oro City, Misamis Oriental;
5. Talisayan Water District, Talisayan, Misamis Oriental;
6. Gingoog City Water District, Gingoog, Misamis Oriental;
7. Mambajao Water District, Mambajao, Camiguin;
8. Quezon Water District, Quezon, Bukidnon;
9. Maramag Water District, Maramag, Bukidnon;
10. Manolo Fortich Water District, Manolo Fortich, Bukidnon;
11. Malaybalay City Water District, Malaybalay City, Bukidnon;

12. Damulog Water District, Damulog, Bukidnon;

13. Don Carlos Water District, Don Carlos, Bukidnon;

14. Valencia City Water District, Valencia City, Bukidnon; and

15. Kibawe Water District, Kibawe, Bukidnon.

C. Other CGS Stand-Alone Agency:

1. PHIVIDEC Industrial Authority, Tagoloan, Misamis Oriental.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Annual Audit Reports on the following agencies:

1. Social Security System Annual Report 2017;
2. Department of Agriculture Annual Report 2016;
3. Philippine Competition Commission 2017 Annual Report;
4. The League of Cities of the Philippines, 30th Founding Anniversary;
5. Vice Mayor's League of the Philippines 1st Regional Convention;
6. TESDA's 2017 Annual Report; and
7. Technical Notes on the 2019 Proposed National Budget.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

CY 2018 3rd Quarter Report of National Irrigation Administration, on the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program - Irrigation Component (CARP-IC) and Mindanao Sustainable Agrarian and Agriculture Development (MinSAAD) Project.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

Report on Fund Utilization (Monthly) and Status of Program/Project Implementation for the quarter ended 4Q 2018 of the Municipality of Mabitac, Province of Laguna, on the Local Government Support Fund.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letters dated July 25, 2019 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office of the President, Malacañang, transmitting two (2) original copies each of the following Republic Acts which were signed on even date by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte:

1. R.A. No. 11346, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE EXCISE TAX ON TOBACCO PRODUCTS, IMPOSING EXCISE TAX ON HEATED TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS, INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF PROVISIONS ON ARTICLES SUBJECT TO EXCISE TAX, AND EARMARKING A PORTION OF THE TOTAL EXCISE

TAX COLLECTION FROM SUGAR-SWEETENED BEVERAGES, ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, HEATED TOBACCO AND VAPOR PRODUCTS FOR UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTIONS 144, 145, 146, 147, 152, 164, 260, 262, 263, 265, 288, AND 289, REPEALING SECTION 288(B) AND 288(C), AND CREATING NEW SECTIONS 263-A, 265-B, AND 288-A OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10963, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;

2. R.A. No. 11347, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CAMPUS OF THE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES (PUP) IN QUEZON CITY, NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION, TO BE KNOWN AS THE PUP-QUEZON CITY CAMPUS, MANDATING THE PUP TO OFFER GRADUATE, UNDERGRADUATE AND SHORT-TERM VOCATIONAL COURSES THEREAT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

3. R.A. No. 11348, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CAMPUS OF THE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES (PUP) IN THE CITY OF SAN JUAN, METRO MANILA, TO BE KNOWN AS THE PUP-SAN JUAN CAMPUS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

4. R.A. No. 11349, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT MACABEBE, PAMPANGA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(C) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980’, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

5. R.A. No. 11350, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE NATIONAL COMMISSION OF SENIOR CITIZENS, PROVIDING FOR ITS FUNCTIONS, ABOLISHING THE NATIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL AND MONITORING BOARD, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7432, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

6. R.A. No. 11351, entitled:

“AN ACT UPGRADING THE SUB-DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE LOCATED IN

THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARMONA, PROVINCE OF CAVITE INTO A REGULAR DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

7. R.A. No. 11352, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING BOHOL CHRONICLE RADIO CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PROVINCE OF BOHOL”;

8. R.A. No. 11353, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO MOUNTAIN PROVINCE BROADCASTING CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8164, ENTITLED ‘AN ACT GRANTING THE MOUNTAIN PROVINCE BROADCASTING CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN BENGUET, IFUGAO, KALINGA, APAYAO, AND MOUNTAIN PROVINCE (FORMERLY KNOWN AS MOUNTAIN PROVINCES)’”;

9. R.A. No. 11354, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO SOUTHERN BROADCASTING NETWORK, INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8147, ENTITLED ‘AN ACT GRANTING THE SOUTHERN BROADCASTING NETWORK A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN, ESTABLISH AND OPERATE COMMERCIAL RADIO/TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES’”;

10. R.A. No. 11355, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO RADIO WORLD BROADCASTING CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8219, ENTITLED ‘AN ACT GRANTING RADIO WORLD BROADCASTING CORPORATION, A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES’”; and

11. R.A. No. 11356, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO BEACON COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS, INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8063, ENTITLED ‘AN ACT GRANTING THE

BEACON COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN COMMERCIAL RADIO STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES’ ”.

TO THE ARCHIVES

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. Mr. Speaker, before we call the roll, may we acknowledge the presence of the guests of our honorable Speaker, Speaker Cayetano: Mayor Max Seño of Opo, Misamis Oriental, and Councilors Jay Bago, Felixberto Macasarte Jr., Danilo Datoy, Tatchie Ortigoza, Guillermo Actub II, Elizabeth Tangub II, and Dante Roble.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Will the guests of the Speaker please rise. (*Applause*)

Thank you for your visit. Welcome to the House of Representatives. (*Applause*)

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. May we also acknowledge the presence of the guests of the Honorable Saulog of KALINGA Party-List. The following are Kalinga Regional Volunteer Leaders, namely: Marissa Bernales, Jim Bigalbal, Mie Ventura, Dick Montemayor, Pepito Viloria, Eva Altura, Annalyn Dela Torre, Bing Garabillo, Rey Bernales, Ruben Ventura, Rene Fremista, Evan Montemayor, Vic Altura, Lito Dela Torre, Jaime Garabillo and Chris Enriquez, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). We thank the visitors of KALINGA Party-List for their visit. Welcome to the House of Representatives. (*Applause*)

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, this is just a reminder to the Members of the House, because these matters were raised through the leadership of the Rules Committee, regarding two provisions of our Rules which have not been followed to the letter and which will serve as a reminder to all Members. These are Section 94 and Section 157 of our Rules.

Section 94 reads:

Conduct and Attire During Sessions and Committee Meetings. – Members shall wear proper attire which is *barong filipino* or coat and tie for men, and Filipina dress or business suit for women, and observe proper decorum during sessions and committee meetings. During Monday sessions, female Members are

encouraged to wear traditional Filipina dress and male Members are encouraged to wear *barong filipino*. x x x

Mr. Speaker, it has also been a practice that those who do not wear the proper attire shall be marked absent. If they do not wear a tie with their suits, they shall be marked absent or if they do not wear the proper *barong Tagalog* or *barong Filipino*, they shall be marked absent.

Section 157, Mr. Speaker, reads:

Use of the Session Hall, Conference Rooms, Lounges and Lobbies x x x. The South Lounge shall be for exclusive use of Members. The North Lounge may be used by the Members and their guests upon approval by the Speaker. x x x

Mr. Speaker, there has been a blatant violation of these rules. There are now 300 Members in our roster and considering that many of our Members or many persons insist on using the lounge, it works to the detriment of our Members.

So, may we ask the Speaker to instruct the Sergeant-at-Arms to remove any person who enters the lounge without the permission of the Speaker directly or those who violate these rules.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The Sergeant-at-Arms is therefore directed as the Majority Leader has instructed.

We thank the Majority Leader for his reminder to all the House Members, and the Members of the House of Representatives are requested to please be guided accordingly.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

ROLL CALL

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. Mr. Speaker, I move to call the roll of Members.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Secretary General will please call the roll.

*The Secretary General called the roll, and the result is reflected in Journal No. 9, dated August 7, 2019.**

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. The Speaker is present.

Mr. Speaker, the roll call shows that 245 Members responded to the call.

* See ANNEX (printed separately)

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). With 245 Members responding to the call, the Chair declares the presence of a quorum.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. Mr. Speaker, may we acknowledge the presence of the guests of Reps. Vicente “Ching” S.E. Veloso III and Rufus B. Rodriguez: Councilor Saitaro Misawa of Japan, Mitsuo Yamashita and Lina Yamashita.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). We welcome our guests from Japan. Welcome to the House of Representatives (*Applause*)

The Majority Leader is recognized.

PRIVILEGE HOUR

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. Mr. Speaker, with leave of the House, I move that we open the Privilege Hour.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none, the motion is approved.

The Privilege Hour is opened.

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. Mr. Speaker, the first to avail of the Privilege Hour is the Hon. Jose L. Atienza, Jr. of Party-List BUHAY.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The Hon. Lito Atienza of the Party-List BUHAY is recognized for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REP. ATIENZA

REP. ATIENZA. Salamat po, Mr. Speaker. Thank you, Mr. Majority Leader.

We just would like to manifest on the floor a very important message, one of congratulatory and complimentary words to the House leadership for implementing the Rules now, very, very effectively as this will guarantee our productivity in the Eighteenth Congress.

More importantly, Mr. Speaker, yesterday, the Supreme Court decided on a vote of 14 - 0, a unanimous vote, to support our move to penalize the two water concessionaires now exclusively distributing water in Metro Manila and its surrounding areas. I am talking about Manila Water and Maynilad Water.

Alam po ninyo, noong 2009 ay nag-file ang Department of Environment and Natural Resources ng penalty. Nagbigay po ng penalty at nagpataw ng penalty dito sa dalawang water concessionaires na ito, dalawang pinakamalaking korporasyon sa ating bansa, giant corporations and I would call them economic

oligarchs. Sila po ang namamahala ng tubig sa ating lahat, subalit noong 2009 ay napag-alaman namin na sila ay hindi tumupad sa Clean Water Act at hindi rin sila tumupad sa kanilang kontrata sa gobyerno na bubuo sila ng waste water treatment facilities in exchange for their exclusive rights to distribute water to all of us. Dahilan nito, Mr. Speaker, ang tubig natin sa ating mga tahanan, iyong ating mga poso negro ay tuluy-tuloy po ang daloy niyan sa Manila Bay, sa Laguna de Bay, sa Pasig River at mga karatig-ilog dito po sa ating Metro Manila area.

Hindi po nila tinupad ang kanilang tungkulin samantalang kinokolektahan nila tayong lahat buwan-buwan ng pera, hard-earned money of the citizens who are not given the service they should have been given since 1997. Pinatawan po namin sila ng penalty of P200,000 a day for noncompliance and this is continuing until they provide waste water treatment facilities that are part and parcel of their exclusive contract to distribute water to all of us.

Matagal na panahon po ang nagdaan ngunit ayaw pong sumunod ang dalawang korporasyong ito. Na-contest nila ang aming order sa lower court at natalo po sila. Ipinanhik sa Court of Appeals ngunit natalo sila. Ipinanhik sa Korte Suprema at matagal na panahon na sinuri ng ating mga mahistrado itong isyung ito. Kahapon lamang lumabas ang desisyon but by a unanimous vote, the Supreme Court penalized the two water concessionaires with almost P2 billion, kasama na po ang MWSS as the regulator that has not done anything to implement and enforce the law and the contract that these corporations are enjoying. Kung bibilangin po natin ang nakolekta nilang salapi sa ating lahat, palagay ko po ay bilyun-bilyong piso talaga ang aabutin nito.

For 22 years now, they have been collecting money from us on a monthly basis. Twenty percent of our water bill, actually, should be going to the construction of waste water treatment facilities, but they have failed miserably on this commitment, but with the Supreme Court's decision now, this is justice for the Filipinos, justice for the common man, and justice for the water consumers who are dependent on the Manila Water and Maynilad Water.

Wala po tayong pagkukuhanan ng tubig kung hindi sa kanila, at sila ay mayroong commitment sa kanilang kontrata na linisin ang ating mga poso-negro. Iyong tubig na galing po sa ating mga palikurang bayan at sa mga commercial establishments ay dapat nililinis nila bago ito pakawalan sa Ilog Pasig at sa Manila Bay. Ngayon ay napipinto na naman ang paglilinis ng Manila Bay, at pinopondohan po ito ng gobyerno ng P42 billion, pero hindi po malilinis iyan kung hindi po talaga sila pupuwersahing magbigay at bumuo ng waste water treatment facilities.

Only yesterday did we get an answer from the Supreme Court and this is exceptional. This is a

landmark decision that the very rich of our nation are now being penalized at binibigyan sila ngayon ng penalty of P970 million per company. The MWSS was also penalized, similarly, for failing in their tasks and their responsibilities. Ito po ay napapanahon sapagkat kailangang ang tubig ay ating patuloy na pakinabangan. Hindi po natin magagamit ang tubig kung ito ay hindi lilinis pagkagaling sa ating mga toilet at sa ating mga poso-negro. Itong dalawang kompanyang ito ang inaasahan ng batas, hindi po nila tinutupad hanggang ngayon.

Kaya ito po ay panawagan sa lahat ng mga Miyembro. Tulungan natin ang ating mga sarili. Let us help ourselves protect against the abuses of big and rich people and corporations who amassed billions of pesos without rendering their part of the bargain.

Pinasalamatan ko ho ang mga Miyembro ng ating Kongreso katulad po nina: Rep. Bernadette “BH” Herrera-Dy, sapagkat sinamahan niya ang inyong lingkod sa aming pakikipaglabang pilitin ang dalawang korporasyong magbigay ng kanilang obligasyon para sa ating bansa. Binabati ko rin po si Representative Suansing, sapagkat siya ay patuloy na nananawagan sa ating gobyerno na proteksyonan ang Manila Bay at ito ay pangalagaan sapagkat ito ang yaman ng ating bansa na magbibigay ng kaunlaran sa ating lahat. I urge everyone to do the same. Let us support the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in their efforts to enforce the law.

Technically, ang tubig natin ay dapat galing sa ating mga tahanan. Iikot lamang sa proseso, ito ay maaari na nating inumin muli, subalit kung hindi gagawin ng Manila Water at Maynilad Water ang kanilang kontrata ay hindi po mangyayari iyan kailanman. Hong Kong, Singapore, and even Cambodia are already cleaning their waste water. The Philippines, we were once way ahead, way ahead of development and providing our people the kind of resources that we need. We are in abundance of fresh water in the Philippines. We get something like 144 billion cubic meters of fresh water every year. Ang ginagamit lang po natin diyan ay wala pa pong 25 billion cubic meters of water. Iyong iba ay sinasayang na natin due to graft and corruption where flood control projects are not done properly and instead going into the pockets of those who sponsored this.

Kaya ito po ay panawagan at pagbati. Ang Korte Suprema natin ay gumagalaw na and they will continue to penalize these two corporations if they do not comply. They have been given a warning: they have to pay up within 15 days; otherwise, they will be charged an additional 10 percent every two years.

Itong klaseng uri ng pagpapatupad ng batas ang kailangan natin, because we do our best in the Chamber. We will pass all the laws that we think will help our nation. If these are not enforced and implemented, they

will come to nothing like water flowing into the canals and into the streets during heavy rains.

Ito po ang panawagan ng inyong lingkod, at aming binabati ang lahat, ang Korte Suprema, lalung-lalo na for voting 14 - 0, at ni isa ay walang kumatig sa kabila, lahat ay sumuporta sa panawagan ng DENR. Nandito po ang mga naglilingkod sa DENR, nandito po si Rep. Michael T. Defensor, siya ay masipag at ginawa niya ang kaniyang tungkulin pero hindi po sinunod ng mga inutusan niya.

Ang inyong lingkod ay naglilingkod, inutusan namin at binigyan namin ng penalty, pero hindi po gumawa ng tama, nilabanan pa kami sa korte, subalit as of yesterday, we are proud to say that justice has prevailed. Juan Dela Cruz has been given his share of his natural wealth through the proper interpretation of our laws and implementation of the same.

Kaya ang ating Korte Suprema ay ating itinatanghal sa pinakamataas na pananaw ng taumbayan, and we look forward to the continuation of this case sapagkat iyong kinolekta nilang pera from all of us, for 22 years, ay hinihingi naming isauli sa mga mamamayan sapagkat iyan ay ginamit nila sa ibang paraan at hindi sa pagbibigay ng paglilinis ng ating tubig na nanggagaling sa ating mga tahanan. Nawawalan po tayo ng tubig sa gripo at nawawala po ang tubig sa Metro Manila dahil hindi nila ginaganap ang kanilang tungkulin. But with this landmark decision of the Supreme Court of the land, we are very sure they will be more careful in doing their part of the contract.

Iyong water concession contract ay pinare-review na ng ating Pangulo. Darating din ang araw ng pagtutuos. Kung kinakailangang kanselahin ito, tayo sa Kongreso ang maaaring magkansela nito kung mamarapatin natin at kung hindi nila tutuparin hanggang ngayon iyong kanilang tungkulin. They had been ordered and they should follow. If they fail, we should cancel the contract and let other companies handle the distribution and not these two companies who had failed in their tasks.

The certainty of punishment is the best deterrent to the commission of a crime. Iyan po ang panawagan ng inyong lingkod. Tingnan natin ang pagpapatupad ng ating batas kung huhulihin natin ang mga may sala. Kung mahuhuli, sila po ay mape-penalize at hindi na po gagawa ng masama sa sinumang Pilipino, lalung-lalo na ang mga may kapangyarihan, mayayaman, at naghaharing-uri dito sa ating bansa ngayon.

We call on everyone to take note of this decision because this should rule our nation in the coming years to provide a better life for our people. Nilikha tayo hindi upang maghirap, kundi upang tayong lahat ay magtamasa sa tunay na halaga ng buhay. Iyan po ang dapat nating pagtulung-tulungan. Ipatupad lamang natin ang mga batas na dumadaan dito sa atin, pinag-uusapan, at pinagdedebatihan natin, subalit hindi ipatutupad ng mga may kapangyarihan.

With this decision, it has been proven, Mr. Speaker, that the law prevails and we should all follow.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. Mr. Speaker, I move that we refer the speech of the Honorable Atienza to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The privilege speech of the Honorable Atienza is referred to the Committee on Rules.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. MACAPAGAL ARROYO. Mr. Speaker, I move that we recognize the Hon. Sarah Jane I. Elago from Party-List KABATAAN.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The Hon. Sarah Jane Elago of the Party-List KABATAAN is hereby recognized for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REP. ELAGO

REP. ELAGO. Maraming salamat, G. Tagapagsalita ng lupon ng mga Kinatawan.

Ang buwan ng Agosto ay Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa at sa susunod ho na linggo, sa Lunes, ika-12 ng Agosto ay atin ding gugunitain ang Pandaigdigang Araw ng mga Kabataan o International Youth Day.

Bago ang lahat, nais kong batiin ang ating mga kapwa Mambabatas na nakikiisa sa Representasyon ng KABATAAN sa pagbati sa mga kabataan sa buong mundo ng Happy International Youth Day.

Ang International Youth Day po para sa taong 2019 ay may tema na “Transforming Education.” Ito po ay magbibigay ngayon ng pokus sa lahat ng mga efforts, lahat ng mga inisyatiba, mga reporma na may kinalaman sa pagpapaunlad ng sektor at ng sistema ng edukasyon at gayundin, ito po ay titingin doon sa kalagayan ng buong academic community, ang ating mga universities at school officials, ang mga faculty, ang mga estudyante at mga non-teaching personnel po sa ating mga lugar kung saan po natututo ang ating mga bata at mga kabataan. Hinggil naman sa Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa para sa taong ito, ang tema ay “Wikang Katutubo: Tungo sa Isang Bansang Filipino.” Sa kasalukuyan, sa pagdiriwang ng IYD 2019 at Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa, mayroon po tayo ngayong nagaganap na State of the Youth Address Forum sa Belmonte Hall. Dito po natipon ang mga student

and youth council leaders mula sa mga eskuwelahan mula sa mga komunidad. Gayundin po, naririto ang mga bata nating public servants at mga local youth development councils para tingnan at gawing pinal iyong priority legislative agenda para sa mga kabataan, hindi lamang para sa usapin ng edukasyon at wikang pambansa, kundi pati sa pangkalahatang kagalingan ng mga bata at ng kabataan na siyang kinabukasan ng ating bansa.

Sang-ayon sa Komisyon ng Wikang Filipino, ang punong tagapamahala ng naturang pagdiriwang sa buong bansa, ang napiling tema na, “Wikang Katutubo: Tungo sa Isang Bansang Filipino,” ay siyang pakikiisa na rin ng ating bansang Pilipinas sa proklamasyon ng UNESCO para sa taong ito bilang International Year of Indigenous Language. Ang mga paggunita nito, ang mga days of observance na ito ay napakahalaga upang maikintal din at maipatimo sa ating mga kabataan na napakaraming mga espasyo ng paglilingkod kung saan nila maaaring ialay ang kanilang talino, ang kanilang oras, minsan po ang kanilang kulit, na para magsilbi sa ating bayan at makipagtulungan sa ating mga lingkod bayan at sa Kapulungang ito.

Kaya naman, G. Ispiker, tinatawagan ang lahat ng mga kabataan sa kanilang mga eskuwelahan at mga komunidad na maglunsad ng mga iba’t ibang porma ng aktibidad at pagkilala sa kahalagahan ng Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa, ng International Year of Indigenous Languages at ng International Youth Day, sang-ayon na rin doon sa apat na lingguhang tema na naitakda ng Komisyon ng Wikang Filipino.

Sa unang linggo, ang tema ay, “Ako at ang Katutubong Wika Ko”; sa pangalawang linggo, “Pagbasa at Paglaya: Pagpapalusog ng mga Katutubong Panitikan at Kaalamang-Bayan”; sa pangatlo, “Sarikultura: Multilingguwalismo at Pag-uugnayan para sa Isang Bansang Filipino”; at panghuli, sa huling linggo po ng Agosto, “Ang Pangangalaga sa mga Katutubong Wika, Pangangalaga sa Bansang Filipino.”

Sa atas ng Konstitusyon, G. Ispiker, inihahayag dito na patakaran ng pamahalaan na tiyakin at itaguyod ang ebolusyon, pagpapaunlad at pagpapayaman pa ng Filipino, na wikang pambansa ng Pilipinas, batay sa umiiral na mga wika ng Pilipinas at iba pang mga wika. Tungo rito, ang pamahalaan ay gagawa ng kinakailangang mga hakbang upang maisakatuparan ang mga naturang patakaran.

Mr. Speaker, at mga kapwa Mambabatas, higit sa pagdiriwang at paggunitang ito, kinakailangan ding matiyak ang tuluy-tuloy na pagpapaunlad sa Filipino bilang pambansang wika at sa lahat ng mga wikang katutubo sa ating bansa. Nararapat na may substansyal na laang gugugulin para rito at ang mga patakaran ng mga ahensya, lalo na ang mga pangunahing tagapagpatupad natin sa sektor ng edukasyon, ang

Department of Education at ang Commission on Higher Education.

Sa paglabas ng CHED Memorandum Order No. 20, ito po ay nailabas noong taong 2013, binabalangkas sa relatibong bago pa na General Education Curriculum ang pagsasantabi sa pagturo ng Filipino at Panitikan bilang required subject sa kolehiyo. Halimbawa, G. Ispiker, sa junior high school, mayroon po tayong subjects na katumbas ng naka-focus sa subjects ng Filipino, English, Mathematics at Science. Sa English, mayroon tayong Oral Communication, Reading and Writing. Sa Math, mayroon tayong General Mathematics at Statistics and Probability. Pagdating naman sa Agham, mayroon tayong tatlong mga partikular na subjects sa junior high school mula sa Earth and Life Science, Physical Science at ang Disaster Readiness at Risk Reduction. Sa Filipino naman, mayroon tayong dalawang laang subjects—ang Komunikasyon at Pananaliksik, at pangalawa, ang Pagbasa at Pagsusuri ng Iba't Ibang Teksto Tungo sa Pananaliksik. G. Ispiker, ang lahat ng ito ay kinukuha na subjects sa junior high school hanggang senior high school, ngunit pagdating sa kolehiyo, tanging ang English, Mathematics at Science na lamang ang may katumbas na asignatura. Wala na po iyan pagdating sa Filipino at maging sa Panitikan.

Dulot nito, Mr. Speaker, mayroon pong mga naitalang State universities and colleges na nagbuwag ng kanilang mga departamento ng Filipino at Panitikan, ngunit dulot rin ng asersyon at bilang pagkilala doon sa tungkulin ng ating Estado na dapat mapanatili at tuluy-tuloy ang pagpapaunlad sa Filipino at Panitikan, kung mayroong nagbuwag ng mga departamento na Filipino at Panitikan, mayroon din namang nanindigan na mapanatili na bigyan ng pondo, mapanatili na nakatindig ang kanilang mga departamento ng Filipino at Panitikan. Bunga nito, ng pangkabuuang mga pagsisikap sa paninindigan ng pagpapalakas ng ating wikang pambansa, nagkaisa ang mga guro ng wika at mga manunulat ng saliksik at panitikang Filipino, kasama ng mga estudyante at kanilang mga magulang, na manindigan laban sa nasabing polisiya na nakapaloob sa CHED Memorandum 20, series of 2013, at mapaingting pa ang mga aksyon para sa paghuhubog ng makabayang edukasyon.

Ngayong dumaranas po ang ating bayan ng umiigting na krisis mula sa paglala ng gutom, ng kahirapan, dulot na rin ng kawalan ng trabaho o kulang sa trabaho at pang-aagaw ng lupa mula sa mga magsasaka at habang isinasangla rin ang ating soberanya sa mga mabibigat at mapanganib na mga kasunduan, obligasyon ng ating Estado na sustinihin at palakasin ang wikang pambansa bilang wika ng pagkakaisa ng sambayanang Pilipino sa batayan ng pagpapaunlad at pagpapayaman ng mga wikang katutubo.

Ang KABATAAN sa ganitong pagsisikap ay lubos na sumusuporta sa nasimulan ng pagkalap ng mga lagda

ng pagkakaisa na nakapaloob sa “Pahayag ng Pagkakaisa para sa Makabayang Edukasyon.” Ito po ay isinulat at napangunahan ng Tanggol Wika—ang alyansang nanguna sa pakikibaka para sa pananatili ng Filipino at Panitikan sa kolehiyo, at siya ring alyansa na kapatid na organisasyon ng Alyansa ng mga Tagapagtanggol ng Kasaysayan o Tanggol Kasaysayan.

Sa gitna ng kabi-kabilang banta sa ating soberanya at patuloy na pagpapahirap sa sambayanan, dapat tiyakin na ang sistema ng edukasyon ay nakabatay sa mga pangangailangan ng sambayanan at humuhubog ng mga makabayang manggagawa, mga propesyunal na nakakaunawa sa mga reyalidad at suliranin ng mga komunidad sa ating bayang Pilipinas. At gayundin, G. Ispiker, mag-aambag sa paglulutas ng mga problema ng ating bayan kasama ang kanilang mga lingkod bayan. Ngayon, higit kailanman, kailangang manindigan ang mga nagmamahal sa ating bansa at mga nagsusulong ng makabayang edukasyon upang ipagtanggol at panatilihin ang mga asignaturang ito.

Ang edukasyong makabayan ang siyang hahawan ng landas at magsisilbing gabay ng mamamayan tungo sa tunay na kalayaan at kaunlaran. Filipino ang tulay natin sa mabisang komunikasyon at pananaliksik na nakaugat sa mga pangangailangan ng bayan. Panitikan ang magpapatatag sa ating pagpapahalaga sa sariling kultura at magpapalalim sa ating pagka-Pilipino. Philippine History subject ang sandata natin laban sa pagkalimot sa mga aral ng kasaysayan at tulay sa pagpapalano ng magandang bukas ng ating bansa. Sa ganitong diwa, Mr. Speaker, nananawagan po kami sa ating mga kapwa Mambabatas sa Kapulungang ito, kasama ng lahat ng sangay at ahensya ng gobyerno, na gawin ang lahat ng kanilang makakaya upang maisakatuparan ang mga susunod na panawagan. Ipagtanggol at panatiliin ang mandatong asignaturang Pilipino at Panitikan sa kolehiyo. Ibalik ang Philippine History sa high school, isulong ang makabayang edukasyon, at itaguyod ang sistemang pang-edukasyon na nakabatay sa pangangailangan ng sambayanan.

Mr. Speaker, isa rin po sa mga inspirasyon ng mga kabataan ang pakahulugan ng nasyonalismo na nailatag ni Commissioner Rene Sarmiento noong sila ay nag-uusap, nagdedebate, nagtatalakay tungkol sa definition ng “Filipino” sa Saligang Batas ng 1987, and I quote:

Filipino nationalism is the determination to uphold the sovereignty of the Filipino people, the right of the Filipinos to freely decide the destiny of the nation—that is, the kind of government we should have and who should run it; what is the common good and how to attain it; how our society should be structured; how the wealth of our land and seas should be used, developed and shared; and how our culture should be preserved and enhanced.

Filipino nationalism is more than patriotism. It is more than love of land and people, loyalty to flag and country, and readiness to sacrifice personal interest for the common good. It is the firm resolve never to allow our people to be dominated, controlled by foreign powers or domestic tyrants and to oppose totalitarianism, imperialism, and hegemony with all the means at our command.

Ito po ang tipo ng makabayan na hindi maituturo ng mga hindi demokratikong mga patakaran at hakbang na lunsaran ng mga abuso, diskriminasyon, korapsyon at siyang pumipigil pa sa ating mga iskolar ng bayan, mga kabataan, mga estudyante na ginagamit ang kanilang mga karapatang sibil at politikal para igiit ang karapatan at kagalingan hindi lang ng kanilang sektor, hindi lang ng kanilang mga sariling pamilya, kundi ng buong pamayanan para sa buhay na tunay na panatag, malayo sa pangamba, may katarungan at hustisya. Sa diwang makabayan ay naisasaalang-alang ang interes ng bayan at mamamayang Filipino.

Higit sa lahat, G. Ispiker, napakarami rin pong nagtatanong sa atin. Hindi ba tayo napapagod? Hindi ba tayo nalilito at tuwing tayo ay nasa loob ng espasyo ng Kapulungang ito, kung saan tayo ay nagbabahagi ng boses ng mga kabataan, ang ating isinasagot sa kanila at ibinabahagi na rin mula sa mga malalaking espasyo ng usapan, sa mga fora, sa mga debate, sa mga diskusyon, ang isinasagot ng Representasyong ito kung nasa ating isip, diwa at gawa na ang ating Party-List Representation, ang bagong politika na hawak natin, ay para sa tao, nagsisilbi sa tao, para sa kabataan, para sa bayan at para sa kinabukasan ng ating bansa. Hindi tayo mapapagod; kung mapapagod man ay magpapahinga. Hindi rin naman tayo magkakanya-kanya dahil tayo po ay nakasalalay sa pagsasama-sama ng mga kalakasan, ng paninindigan at pagsisikap ng iba't ibang mga kabataan, hindi lang dito sa Pilipinas pero pati na sa buong mundo. Hinding-hindi rin po tayo malilito kapag bawat isa sa atin ay laging nagpapaalala na ang mga kabataan sa loob at labas ng paglilingkod dito sa Kongreso, sa local government or sa kanilang mga eskuwelahan o sa kanilang mga barangay ay mga pag-asa ng bayan. At ito po ay hamon na patuloy na tatanggapin at pagsisikapan, hindi lang ng Representasyon ng KABATAAN, kung hindi iisipin po natin na ang lahat ng ating mga ginagawa, mga proyekto, mga iba't ibang aktibidad, ay pagtatanim na rin ng inspirasyon para sa mga susunod na henerasyon ng mga Filipino.

Para po sa kaalaman ng ating mga kapwa Mambabatas na naririto, mamaya po hanggang 5:30 p.m., may planning-sharing ang mga kabataan. Sa totoo lang magkakaroon pa iyan ng mga debate tungkol sa iba't ibang posisyon ng kabataan sa mga issue. Bukod sa mga debate kung mayroon man, kung mayroon mang

disagreements, mayroon din namang mga pagkakaisa. Inaanyayahan ko po ang lahat sa South Wing Annex sa Belmonte Hall. Maaari po kayong dumaan doon, mag-“Hi,” mag-“Hello,” o magpaabot ng inyong mensahe sa mga kabataan, mga pag-asa ng bayan.

Muli, maraming salamat, Mr. Speaker. Isang mapagpalayang Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa sa lahat. At muli, sa mga kabataang Pilipino at sa kabataan ng buong mundo, Happy International Youth Day po sa inyo. Happy International Youth Day sa inyong lahat. Maraming salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. CASTELO. Mr. Speaker, I move that we refer the privilege speech of the Hon. Sarah Jane I. Elago of the KABATAAN Party-List to the Committee on Rules.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The privilege speech of the Hon. Sarah Jane Elago of the Party-List KABATAAN is hereby referred to the Committee on Rules.

REP. CASTELO. Mr. Speaker, I move that we terminate the Privilege Hour.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Privilege Hour is terminated.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. CASTELO. Mr. Speaker, I move that we suspend the session.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The session is suspended.

It was 4:17 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 4:37 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The session is resumed.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. BAUTISTA. Mr. Speaker, may we kindly acknowledge the presence of the guests of the Hon. Eduardo “Bro. Eddie” C. Villanueva of the CIBAC Party-List. They are the CIBAC Provincial and City Coordinators from Regions III, NCR and IV-A. They are the guests of Bro. Eddie C. Villanueva.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Will the guests please rise. (*Applause*) The guests of the Honorable Villanueva are welcome in the House of Representatives. Thank you for your visit.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. BAUTISTA. Mr. Speaker, may we kindly acknowledge the presence of the guests of the Hon. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo, First District Representative of Quezon City, namely: Mr. Paulo D. Castro and Mr. Anthony Viray. They are the guests of the Hon. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Will the guests please rise. The guests of the Honorable Crisologo are welcome in the House of Representatives. Thank you for your visit. (*Applause*)

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. BAUTISTA. Mr. Speaker, may we kindly acknowledge the presence of the guests of the Hon. Henry R. Villarica, Representative of the Fourth District of Bulacan. They are on educational tour from the city of Meycauayan, and the Boy/Girl Officials 2019.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Please rise. The guests of the Honorable Villarica are welcome in the House of Representatives. Thank you for your visit. (*Applause*)

REP. BAUTISTA. They are the guests from the SK Federation President Crisanto Niño Caparas, Councilor Jerimeco Dulalia, Ms. Agnes Gina-Lyn Cayaban, and Ms. Gilda L. Ramos.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Thank you for your visit.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. BAUTISTA. Mr. Speaker, may we kindly acknowledge the presence of the guests of the Hon. Sarah Jane I. Elago, Representative of KABATAAN Party-List. The list of organizations that are present right now includes from the 12th National Youth Parliament, 350.org, ANAKBAYAN-Laguna, ANAKBAYAN–Philippine Normal University, Arellano University, Arellano University School of Law, ASEAN Youth Engagement Summit, Ateneo de Manila University, Atenista Laban sa Kaliwa Dam, Bulacan State University, Cagayan State University–Carig Campus, Cavite State University, Centro Escolar Integrated School - Malolos Campus, Centro Escolar University, Competitive Youth Association, College Editors Guild of the Philippines, Dr. Yanga’s Colleges, Inc., Girls for Peace, Golden Success College, Far Eastern University,

Fiat Publication, Footprints: the Akeanon, France Volontaires Philippines, Hi-Y Club, KABATAAN Party-List Quezon City, KABATAAN Party-List-Vito Cruz, League of Filipino Students-University of the Philippines College of Social Science and Philosophy, Lyceum of the Philippines University-Manila, Lyceum of the Philippines University-Manila Central Student Government, Mapua University, Millenials PH, National Teachers College, National Union of Students of the Philippines, NIIG: Ang Pinagkaisang Tagumpay ng Kabataang Santoleno, Now You Know, Office of the Vice Governor-Batangas, Paco Catholic School, Pamantasan ng Cabuyao, Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Maynila - Commission on Collegiate and Civic Affairs, Pamantasan ng Lungsod ng Muntinlupa, Philippine Normal University, Philippine Women’s University-Student Diplomatic Corps, Polytechnic University of the Philippines-College of Law, Polytechnic University of the Philippines-Economics Research Society, Polytechnic University of the Philippines-Quezon City, Polytechnic University of the Philippines-Santa Mesa, Quezon City Science High School, Quezon City Youth Confederation, Quezon City Youth Parliament, Rise Up, Roga Youth Organization, San Sebastian College Recoletos - College of Law, Sangguniang Kabataan, Sangguniang Kabataan-Barangay Sta. Lucia, Sangguniang Kabataan-Barangay Medicion II-B, Santa Rosa City Youth Council, SheDecides, Social Science Club, Society of Jesus, Tañong Integrated School, Technical University of the Philippines, Unibersidad de Manila, University of Caloocan City, University of the East, University of Makati, University of the Philippines-Diliman, University of the Philippines-Los Baños Perspective, University of the Philippines-Manila, University of the Philippines-Manila College of Public Health Student Council, University of Santo Tomas, Youth Act Now Against Tyranny, Young Environmental Forum, Youth Climate Navigators, Youth For Christ-San Fabian Parish, San Fabian, Pangasinan, Youth For Human Rights and Democracy, Youth Strike for Climate PH, Youth UNBOUND-Southern Tagalog, KABATAAN Party-List - Quezon City, and Quezon City Youth Confederation, Carlos L. Albert High School. These are the guests of the Hon. Sarah Jane Elago of KABATAAN Party-List.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Will the numerous guests of the Honorable Elago please rise. Thank you for your visit. Welcome to the House of Representatives. (*Applause*)

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. BAUTISTA. Mr. Speaker, may we kindly acknowledge the presence of the guests of our Majority Leader, Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, Representative First District of Leyte, and TINGOG

SINIRANGAN Party-List Representative, Hon. Yedda Marie K. Romualdez. They are the guests from the town of Alang-alang of the First District of Leyte, namely: Vice Mayor Edwin Jomadiao, Sangguniang Bayan Members Kenneth Spice De Veyra, Elmer Matobato, Epifania Salazar, Vernon Jolbitado, Ricardo Neil Eusores, Rodolfo Cabalona, Shirlene T. Borja; and the Councilors of Mayoyao, Ifugao, namely: Hon. Eugene Lim-Ang and Hon. Pedro Acapen Sr.

They are the guests of the honorable Majority Leader Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez and Hon. Yedda Marie K. Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). Will the guests of the Hon. Martin Romualdez and the Hon. Yedda Romualdez please rise. Thank you for your visit. Welcome to the House of Representatives. *(Applause)*
The Majority Leader is recognized.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. BAUTISTA. Mr. Speaker, I move for the suspension of session.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Puno). The session is suspended.

It was 4:45 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 5:00 p.m., the session was resumed with Deputy Speaker Eduardo "Bro. Eddie" C. Villanueva presiding.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). The session is resumed.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, may I move for the election of the following Members to various Committees:

The Senoir Deputy Majority Leader, Rep. Jesus Crispin C. Remulla, read the names of the House Members elected to the various Committees, per Journal No. 9, dated August 7, 2019.

COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

As Chairperson:
Rep. Glona G. Labadlabad

As Vice Chairpersons:
Rep. Jose "Bong" J. Teves Jr.
Rep. Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang
Rep. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma

As members:

Rep. Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon
Rep. Francisco "Kiko" B. Benitez
Rep. Junie E. Cua
Rep. Frederick W. Siao
Rep. Ma. Lourdes Acosta-Alba
Rep. Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla
Rep. Gil "Kabarangay Jr." A. Acosta
Rep. Ciriaco B. Gato Jr.
Rep. Erico Aristotle C. Aumentado
Rep. Solomon R. Chungalao
Rep. Jocelyn Sy Limkaichong
Rep. Julianne "Jam" Baronda
Rep. Vincent Franco D. Frasco
Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.
Rep. Faustino "Inno" A. Dy V
Rep. Adolph Edward G. Plaza

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BICOL RECOVERY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

As Chairperson:
Rep. Jocelyn F. Fortuno

As Vice Chairpersons:
Rep. Maria Laarni Cayetano
Rep. Alfred C. Delos Santos

As members:
Rep. Joey Sarte Salceda
Rep. Marisol C. Panotes
Rep. Josefina B. Tallado
Rep. Elizaldy S. Co
Rep. Ronnie L. Ong
Rep. Narciso R. Bravo Jr.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

As Chairperson:
Rep. Sandra Y. Eriguel, M.D.

As Vice Chairpersons:
Rep. Paz C. Radaza
Rep. Emmarie "Lolypop" Ouano-Dizon
Rep. Marissa Andaya

As members:
Rep. Gerardo P. Valmayor Jr.
Rep. Elias C. Bulut Jr.
Rep. Manuel Luis "Manny" T. Lopez
Rep. Carmelo "Jon" B. Lazatin II
Rep. Josefina B. Tallado
Rep. Janice Z. Salimbangan
Rep. Juliet Marie De Leon Ferrer
Rep. Diego C. Ty
Rep. Joy Myra S. Tambunting

Rep. Vincent Franco D. Frasco
 Rep. Angelo Marcos Barba
 Rep. Michael B. Gorriceta
 Rep. Yedda Marie K. Romualdez
 Rep. Jocelyn P. Tulfo
 Rep. Francis Gerald Aguinaldo Abaya
 Rep. Rommel Rico T. Angara

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES
 AND PRIVATIZATION

As Chairperson:
 Rep. Eric L. Olivarez

As Vice Chairpersons:
 Rep. Jesus “Bong” C. Suntay
 Rep. Eric Go Yap
 Rep. Vincent Franco D. Frasco

As members:
 Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.
 Rep. Joselito “Joel” S. Sacdalan
 Rep. Rolando “Klarex” A. Uy
 Rep. Joel Mayo Z. Almario
 Rep. Francis Gerald Aguinaldo Abaya
 Rep. Weslie T. Gatchalian
 Rep. Michael John R. Duavit
 Rep. Marissa Andaya
 Rep. Manuel Luis “Manny” T. Lopez

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
 REORGANIZATION

As Chairperson:
 Rep. Mario Vittorio “Marvey” A. Mariño

As Vice Chairperson:
 Rep. Jose Gay G. Padiernos

As members:
 Rep. Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo
 Rep. Marisol C. Panotes
 Rep. Joey Sarte Salceda
 Rep. Mark O. Go
 Rep. Raul “Boboy” C. Tupas
 Rep. Vicente “Ching” S.E. Veloso III
 Rep. Jose “Jun” L. Ong Jr.
 Rep. Ron P. Salo
 Rep. Presley C. De Jesus
 Rep. Yedda Marie K. Romualdez
 Rep. Ian Paul L. Dy

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN
 DEVELOPMENT

As Vice Chairpersons:
 Rep. Mario Vittorio “Marvey” A. Mariño
 Rep. Micaela S. Violago

COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

As members:
 Rep. Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang
 Rep. Jocelyn F. Fortuno
 Rep. Eleandro Jesus F. Madrona
 Rep. Rogelio Neil P. Roque
 Rep. Eduardo “Eddie” R. Gullas
 Rep. Raul “Boboy” C. Tupas
 Rep. Joseph Sto. Niño B. Bernos
 Rep. Estrellita B. Suansing
 Rep. Michael B. Gorriceta
 Rep. Angelo Marcos Barba
 Rep. Divina Grace C. Yu
 Rep. Alfred Vargas
 Rep. Elisa “Olga” T. Kho
 Rep. Josefina B. Tallado
 Rep. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo
 Rep. Rolando “Klarex” A. Uy
 Rep. Sandra Y. Eriguel, M.D.
 Rep. Francisco “Kiko” B. Benitez
 Rep. Marisol C. Panotes
 Rep. Carl Nicolas C. Cari
 Rep. Jonathan Keith T. Flores
 Rep. Florencio G. Noel
 Rep. Jose Gay G. Padiernos
 Rep. Alfred C. Delos Santos
 Rep. Alfredo A. Garbin Jr.
 Rep. Romeo S. Momo Sr.
 Rep. Eric Go Yap
 Rep. Sandro L. Gonzalez
 Rep. Michael Edgar Y. Aglipay
 Rep. Sonny “SL” L. Lagon
 Rep. Christian S. Unabia
 Rep. Paul Ruiz Daza
 Rep. Allan Benedict S. Reyes
 Rep. Pablo C. Ortega
 Rep. Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla
 Rep. Abdullah D. Dimaporo
 Rep. Ciriaco B. Gato Jr.
 Rep. Cesar “Jawo” L. Jimenez Jr.
 Rep. Solomon R. Chungalao
 Rep. Peter John D. Calderon
 Rep. Dahlia A. Loyola
 Rep. Noel L. Villanueva
 Rep. Luis N. Campos Jr.
 Rep. Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy III
 Rep. Gerardo P. Valmayor Jr.
 Rep. John Reynald M. Tiangco
 Rep. Josephine Veronique R. Lacson-Noel
 Rep. Diego C. Ty
 Rep. Micaela S. Violago
 Rep. Way Kurat Zamora
 Rep. Hector S. Sanchez

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, there is an error here on number 28 of the said list, the name “Pido Garbin.” We wish to correct the list to exclude the name of Pido Garbin. I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the correction is upheld. The motion is approved.

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Majority, I move to nominate and elect the following Members to various Committees:

COMMITTEE ON METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT

As Vice Chairpersons:

Rep. Edgar R. Erice
Rep. Eric M. Martinez
Rep. Precious Hipolito Castelo
Rep. Aloy Lim

As members:

Rep. Weslie T. Gatchalian
Rep. Camille A. Villar
Rep. Maria Laarni Cayetano
Rep. Joy Myra S. Tambunting
Rep. John Marvin “Yul Servo” C. Nieto
Rep. “Kuya” Jose Antonio R. Sy-Alvarado
Rep. Strike B. Revilla
Rep. Edward Vera Perez Maceda
Rep. Bayani F. Fernando
Rep. Roman T. Romulo
Rep. John Reynald M. Tiangco
Rep. Juan Fidel Felipe F. Nograles
Rep. Dale “Along” R. Malapitan
Rep. Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon
Rep. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo
Rep. Alfred Vargas
Rep. Jesus “Bong” C. Suntay
Rep. Ronaldo B. Zamora
Rep. Eric M. Martinez
Rep. Antonino G. Calixto
Rep. Romulo “Kid” Peña Jr.
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo
Rep. Arnie B. Fuentebella
Rep. Vincent J. Garcia
Rep. Virgilio S. Lacson
Rep. Francisco Datol
Rep. Luis N. Campos Jr.
Rep. Allan Benedict S. Reyes
Rep. Cristal L. Bagatsing

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

As Vice Chairpersons:

Rep. Romeo S. Momo Sr.
Rep. Alfred C. Delos Santos
Rep. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma
Rep. Michael B. Gorriceta
Rep. Angelo Marcos Barba
Rep. Jonathan Keith T. Flores

As members:

Rep. Resurreccion M. Acop
Rep. Leo Rafael M. Cueva
Rep. Strike B. Revilla
Rep. Rashidin H. Matba
Rep. Alfelito “Alfel” M. Bascug
Rep. Samantha Louise Vargas Alfonso
Rep. Antonio “Tonypet” T. Albano
Rep. Juliette T. Uy
Rep. Faustino “Inno” A. Dy V
Rep. Jose “Pingping” I. Tejada
Rep. Ramon V. Guico III
Rep. Frederick W. Siao
Rep. Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang
Rep. Mark O. Go
Rep. Maximo Y. Dalog Jr.
Rep. Mario Vittorio “Marvey” A. Mariño
Rep. Eduardo “Eddie” R. Gullas
Rep. Joseph Sto. Niño B. Bernos
Rep. Arnold “Noli” D. Celeste
Rep. Jeffrey D. Khonghun
Rep. Jocelyn F. Fortuno
Rep. Teodorico T. Haresco Jr.
Rep. Munir M. Arbison
Rep. Ansaruddin Abdul Malik A. Adiong
Rep. Ed Christopher S. Go
Rep. Eric M. Martinez
Rep. Leonardo L. Babasa Jr.
Rep. Carl Nicolas C. Cari
Rep. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo
Rep. Janice Z. Salimbangon
Rep. Ann K. Hofer
Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.
Rep. Joselito “Joel” S. Sacdalan
Rep. Joy Myra S. Tambunting
Rep. Samier A. Tan
Rep. John Marvin Cruz
Rep. Ma. Angelica M. Amante-Matba
Rep. Alan “Aldu” R. Dujali
Rep. Elisa “Olga” T. Kho
Rep. Henry R. Villarica
Rep. Gerardo “Gerryboy” J. Espino Jr.
Rep. Jumel Anthony I. Espino
Rep. Wilton Tan Kho
Rep. Maria Fe R. Abunda

Rep. Eric Go Yap
Rep. Elizaldy S. Co
Rep. Rommel Rico T. Angara

Rep. Micaela S. Violago
Rep. Camille A. Villar

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE NORTH LUZON
GROWTH QUADRANGLE

COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS
CULTURAL COMMUNITIES
AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

As Chairperson:
Rep. Joseph Sto. Niño B. Bernos

As Chairperson:
Rep. Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang

As Vice Chairpersons:
Rep. Joseph “Jojo” L. Lara
Rep. Ramon V. Guico III

As Vice Chairpersons:
Rep. Amihilda J. Sangcopan
Rep. Juan Fidel Felipe F. Nograles
Rep. Elias C. Bulut Jr.

As members:
Rep. Sandra Y. Eriguel, M.D.
Rep. Jumel Anthony I. Espino
Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.
Rep. Ed Christopher S. Go
Rep. Mark O. Go
Rep. Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang
Rep. Angelo Marcos Barba
Rep. Arnold “Noli” D. Celeste
Rep. Ciriaco B. Gato Jr.
Rep. Kristine Singson-Meehan
Rep. Ian Paul L. Dy
Rep. Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy III
Rep. Antonio “Tonypet” T. Albano
Rep. Faustino “Inno” A. Dy V
Rep. Alyssa Sheena P. Tan, CPA
Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.

As members:
Rep. Leonardo L. Babasa Jr.
Rep. Junie E. Cua
Rep. Carmelo “Jon” B. Lazatin II
Rep. Solomon R. Chungalao

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, just a few corrections: for Vice Chairperson of the Committee on Metro Manila Development, it should read as “Senior Vice Chairman, Egay Erice.” There are two mistakes, Mr. Speaker, on the entries. We also move to exclude Stella Quimbo and Francisco Datol from the membership, on behalf of the Majority.

COMMITTEE ON INTER-PARLIAMENTARY
RELATIONS AND DIPLOMACY

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the correction is upheld and the motion is approved.

As Chairperson:
Rep. Divina Grace C. Yu

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, there was an error on the part of the Majority. We excluded the name of Sandra Eriguel as No. 20 member of the Committee on Accounts. So, we move to include Sandra Eriguel as a member of the Committee on Accounts.

As Vice Chairpersons:
Rep. Samantha Louise Vargas Alfonso
Rep. Juliet Marie De Leon Ferrer
Rep. Ma. Theresa V. Collantes
Rep. Precious Hipolito Castelo
Rep. Rogelio Neil P. Roque

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

As members:
Rep. Michael John R. Duavit
Rep. Wilfrido Mark M. Enverga
Rep. Carlos O. Cojuangco
Rep. Manuel Luis “Manny” T. Lopez
Rep. Erico Aristotle C. Aumentado
Rep. Weslie T. Gatchalian
Rep. Resurreccion M. Acop
Rep. Juliette T. Uy
Rep. “Kuya” Jose Antonio R. Sy-Alvarado
Rep. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Majority, we move to nominate and elect the following Members to a Committee:

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION:

As Vice Chairpersons:
Rep. Dale “Along” R. Malapitan
Rep. Romeo S. Momo Sr.
Rep. Aloy Lim

As member:
Rep. Eric Go Yap

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

NOMINATION OF REP. AGLIPAY
AS ASST. MAJORITY LEADER

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, again, on behalf of the Majority, we move to nominate and elect as Assistant Majority Leader the Hon. Michael Edgar Y. Aglipay.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

CHANGE OF REFERRAL
OF CERTAIN MEASURES

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, I move for the change of referral of the following measures:

1. House Bill No. 111, AN ACT ENSURING THE FUNDAMENTAL EQUALITY OF MEN AND WOMEN UNDER THE LAWS ON MARRIAGE AND FAMILY RELATIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 14, 96, 124, 211, AND 225 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 209, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, from the Committee on Population and Family Relations to the Committee on Women and Gender Equality;

2. House Bills No. 303 and 545, AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PHILIPPINE HIGH SCHOOL FOR SPORTS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, from the Committee on Basic Education and Culture to the Committee on Youth and Sports Development;

3. House Bill No. 606, AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RESTORATION OF MANDATORY MILITARY TRAINING FOR ALL GRADE 11 AND GRADE 12 STUDENTS BY REINSTATING SECTIONS 38 AND 39 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7077, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "CITIZEN ARMED FORCE OR ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES RESERVIST ACT", from the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and National Defense and Security to the Committee on Basic Education and Culture; and

4. House Bill No. 3313, AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS

THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, from the Committees on Government Reorganization and Justice to the Committees on Government Reorganization and Overseas Workers Affairs.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, I move for a few minutes suspension of the session.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

It was 5:15 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 5:19 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). The session is resumed.

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, a few corrections first—I move to correct the list of members of the Committee on Metro Manila Development. I move to strike out the name of Bayani Fernando from the list of members from the Majority.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

REP. REMULLA. And another correction, Mr. Speaker, for the Committee on Public Works and Highways. It was inadvertently read as "Gerardo Espino Jr.;" it should be Gerardo Espina Jr.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the correction is upheld. The motion, therefore, is approved.

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, I move to recognize Rep. Janette Garin for the Minority to read their election of members of the different Committees.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). The Sr. Minority Floor Leader is recognized.

REP. GARIN (S.). Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
On behalf of the Minority, I move that we elect the following Members to various Committees:

Rep. Alfredo A. Garbin Jr.
Rep. Lawrence "Law" H. Fortun
Rep. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat

COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

As Senior Member:
Rep. Isagani S. Amatong

As additional members:
Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog
Rep. Eufemia "Ka Femia" C. Cullamat

As additional members:
Rep. Arnolfo "Arnie" A. Teves Jr.
Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.
Rep. Ma. Victoria V. Umali
Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

As Senior Member:
Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

As Senior Member:
Rep. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat

As additional members:
Rep. Godofredo N. Guya
Rep. Elizaldy S. Co
Rep. Carlos Isagani T. Zarate
Rep. Isagani S. Amatong

As additional members:
Rep. Isagani S. Amatong
Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.
Rep. Eufemia "Ka Femia" C. Cullamat
Rep. Arnolfo "Arnie" A. Teves Jr.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

As Senior Member:
Rep. Isagani S. Amatong

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

As members:
Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc
Rep. Godofredo N. Guya
Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo
Rep. Angelica Natasha Co
Rep. France L. Castro
Rep. Elizaldy S. Co
Rep. Alex "AA" L. Advincula
Rep. Isagani S. Amatong
Rep. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat
Rep. Arnolfo "Arnie" A. Teves Jr.

As additional members:
Rep. Elizaldy S. Co
Rep. Arlene D. Brosas

COMMITTEE ON GAMES AND AMUSEMENT

As Senior Member:
Rep. Arnolfo "Arnie" A. Teves Jr.

As additional member:
Rep. Jose "Bonito" C. Singson Jr.

As additional members, in lieu of Jose "Bonito C. Singson Jr.:

Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog
Rep. Elizaldy S. Co
Rep. Isagani S. Amatong
Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

As Senior Member:
Rep. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

As additional member:
Rep. Isagani S. Amatong

As additional members:
Rep. Arlene D. Brosas
Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaité

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

As Senior Member:
Rep. Arnolfo "Arnie" A. Teves Jr.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

As additional members:
Rep. France L. Castro

As Senior Member:
Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc

As additional members:
Rep. France L. Castro
Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaité

COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION

As Senior Member:
Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

As additional members:
Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog
Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago
Rep. Angelica Natasha Co

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT

As Senior Member:
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo

As additional member:
Rep. Arlene D. Brosas

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

As Senior Member:
Rep. Lawrence “Law” H. Fortun

As additional members:
Rep. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat
Rep. Ma. Victoria V. Umali
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo

COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS CULTURAL
COMMUNITIES AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

As Senior Member:
Rep. Eufemia “Ka Femia” C. Cullamat

As additional member:
Rep. Arlene D. Brosas

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

As Senior Member:
Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

As additional members:
Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc
Rep. Alfredo A. Garbin Jr.
Rep. Isagani S. Amatong

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

As Senior Member:
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo

As additional members:
Rep. Arlene D. Brosas
Rep. Alfredo A. Garbin Jr.
Rep. Alex “AA” L. Advincula

COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND
SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

As Senior Member:
Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago

As additional member:
Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog

COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION
AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

As Senior Member:
Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

As additional members:
Rep. France L. Castro
Rep. Elizaldy S. Co

COMMITTEE ON INTER-PARLIAMENTARY
RELATIONS AND DIPLOMACY

As Senior Member:
Rep. Arlene D. Brosas

As additional members:
Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago
Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo
Rep. Ma. Victoria V. Umali

COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

As Senior Member:
Rep. Alfredo A. Garbin Jr.

As additional members:
Rep. Lawrence “Law” H. Fortun
Rep. Alex “AA” L. Advincula
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo
Rep. Arnolfo “Arnie” A. Teves Jr.

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

As Senior Member:
Rep. Arnolfo “Arnie” A. Teves Jr.

As additional members:
Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.
Rep. Alfredo A. Garbin Jr.

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

As Senior Member:
Rep. Isagani S. Amatong

As additional members:
Rep. Angelica Natasha Co
Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaité
Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago

COMMITTEE ON METRO MANILA
DEVELOPMENT

As Senior Member:
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo

As additional member:
Rep. Arnolfo “Arnie” A. Teves Jr.

COMMITTEE ON MINDANAO AFFAIRS

As Senior Member:
Rep. Eufemia “Ka Femia” C. Cullamat

As additional members:
Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc
Rep. Arnolfo “Arnie” A. Teves Jr.
Rep. Lawrence “Law” H. Fortun

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

As Senior Member:
Rep. Elizaldy S. Co

As additional members:
Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog
Rep. Eufemia “Ka Femia” C. Cullamat
Rep. Arlene D. Brosas
Rep. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat
Rep. Alex “AA” L. Advincula

COMMITTEE ON PEOPLES’
PARTICIPATION

As Senior Member:
Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

As additional member:
Rep. Eufemia “Ka Femia” C. Cullamat

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND
HIGHWAYS

As Senior Member:
Rep. Godofredo N. Guya

As additional members:
Rep. Angelica Natasha Co
Rep. Isagani S. Amatong
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo
Rep. Arnolfo “Arnie” A. Teves Jr.
Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.).
Is there any objection? (*Silence*) There being none; the
motion is approved.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

REP. GARIN (J). Mr. Speaker, earlier I
moved that we elect, on behalf of the Minority, as
additional member to the Committee on Energy,
Rep. Carlos Isagani T. Zarate. However, Mr.
Speaker, the Honorable Zarate has been elected as a
Deputy Minority of the Committee on Rules, giving
him a prerogative to be an *ex officio* member of
all standing Committees and Special Committees.
With that, Mr. Speaker, allow me to move that we
withdraw the election of Rep. Carlos Isagani T.
Zarate as a regular member of the Committee on
Energy, but he stays as an *ex officio* member of the
Committee on Energy.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is
there any objection? (*Silence*) There being none; the motion
is approved.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, we move for a few
minutes suspension of the session.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). The
session is suspended.

It was 5:32 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 5:47 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). The
session is resumed.

REP. CASTELO. Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). The
Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. CASTELO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, may we acknowledge the presence of the guests in the gallery of the Hon. Corazon T. Nuñez-Malanyaon, Representative from the First District of Davao Oriental. They are Vice Mayor Melody Anne Benitez; Councilors Vilie Clovies Cayetano, Gerardo Dumaan Jr., Jemaika Balante, Gallardo Hernaez, Daisy Jane Polancos, Franklin Cayetano Jr., Eutiquio Pagsac Jr. and Brian Cruz; Liga ng mga Barangay President Orly Benaning; IP Representative Rican Calig-Onan; SK Federation President Camil Bantayan; and SB Secretary Engr. Danny Escalante. With them are Ms. Kim Mori Labuan, Engr. Mark Anthony Mocam, Mr. Crisalde Benitez and Ms. Christine Banugan, Tribal Chieftain. *(Applause)*

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). The presence of the guests of the Hon. Corazon T. Nuñez-Malanyaon are hereby acknowledged. Please stand. Welcome to the House of Representatives. *(Applause)*

The Majority Leader is recognized.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. CASTELO. Mr. Speaker, I move that we suspend the session.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). The session is suspended.

It was 5:49 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 5:57 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). The session is resumed.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES

Continuation

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Majority, we move for the election of the following Members to various Committees:

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

As Chairperson:
Rep. Sharon S. Garin

As Vice Chairpersons:
Rep. Horacio P. Suansing Jr.
Rep. Junie E. Cua

COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

As Vice Chairperson:
Rep. Adolph Edward G. Plaza

As members:
Rep. Vicente “Ching” S.E. Veloso III
Rep. Narciso R. Bravo Jr.

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

As Vice Chairperson:
Rep. John Marvin “Yul Servo” C. Nieto

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.) Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, I move that we adjourn the session.

Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my motion to adjourn.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Majority, I move to nominate and elect the following Members to the Committee on National Defense and Security.

COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

As Vice Chairpersons:
Rep. Rogelio Neil P. Roque
Rep. Joseph Sto. Niño B. Bernos

As members:
Rep. Cyrille “Beng” F. Abueg-Zaldivar
Rep. Michael B. Gorriceta
Rep. Jose “Pingping” I. Tejada
Rep. Frederick W. Siao

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.) Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, we move to correct an earlier reading of the name of a colleague nominated and elected to the Committee on Public Works and Highways. Instead of Rep. John Marvin Cruz, it should be Rep. John Marvin “Yul Servo” C. Nieto.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the correction, therefore, is upheld; hence, the motion is approved.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, I reiterate my previous motion to adjourn. Adjournment will take place now and the session will resume depending on the holiday. If the ending of Eid al-Fitr—Eid al-Adha,

excuse me, Mr. Speaker—falls on Sunday, the 11th, we will resume on August 12, 2019, at three o'clock in the afternoon, but if the holiday falls on the 12th as declared, we will resume on the 13th, at three o'clock in the afternoon, Mr. Speaker.

I so move.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Villanueva, E.). The session is adjourned.

It was 6:02 p.m.