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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 50

Submitted by the Committee on Foreign Affairs on JAN 17 2017

Re: House Resolution No. 318

Recommending its adoption with amendments

Sponsor: Representative Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Foreign Affairs to which was referred **House Resolution No. 318**, introduced by Representative Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE COLLECTIVE SENSE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THANK THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN FOR REAFFIRMING ITS COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT THE MARITIME SECURITY OF THE PHILIPPINES"

has considered the same and recommends its adoption with the following amendments:

1) Insert the title "Minister" ahead of the name of Japanese Foreign Minister Kishida in the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Whereas clauses;

2) In the 3rd Whereas clause, delete the phrase "at the DPWH compound" and in lieu thereof, insert "in Barangay Panacan, Davao City";

3) In the 3rd Whereas clause, delete the phrase "to help the latter to" and in lieu thereof, insert "and help";

4) In the 5th Whereas clause, delete the ellipsis and in lieu thereof, insert the word "and";

5) Delete the Resolutive clause and in lieu thereof, insert the following:

"RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, To express gratitude to the Government of Japan for reaffirming its commitment to support the maritime security of the Philippines";

6) The title shall be amended to read as follows:

**“RESOLUTION EXPRESSING GRATITUDE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN
FOR REAFFIRMING ITS COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT THE MARITIME
SECURITY OF THE PHILIPPINES”**

with Representative Winston “Winnie” T. Castelo as author and Representatives Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Julieta R. Cortuna, Ann K. Hofer, Baby Aline Vargas-Alfonso, Leopoldo N. Bataoil, Strike B. Revilla, Mario Vittorio “Marvey” A. Mariño, Lorna C. Silverio, Enrico A. Pineda, Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Teodoro “Ted” G. Montoro, Henry S. Oaminal and Gus S. Tambunting as co-authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,



LINABELLE RUTH R. VILLARICA
Chairperson
Committee on Foreign Affairs

The Honorable Speaker
House of Representatives
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Introduced by the Honorable Winston "Winnie" T. Castelo

A RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE COLLECTIVE SENSE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THANK THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN FOR REAFFIRMING ITS COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT THE MARITIME SECURITY OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, Japan Foreign Minister Fumio Kishida reaffirmed his country's commitment to provide support for the improvement of the Philippine maritime security;

WHEREAS, Kishida at a joint press conference with Foreign Affairs Secretary Perfecto Yasay Jr. at the Marco Polo Hotel in Davao City said, "Maritime order based on the rule of law is indispensable for regional stability and prosperity";

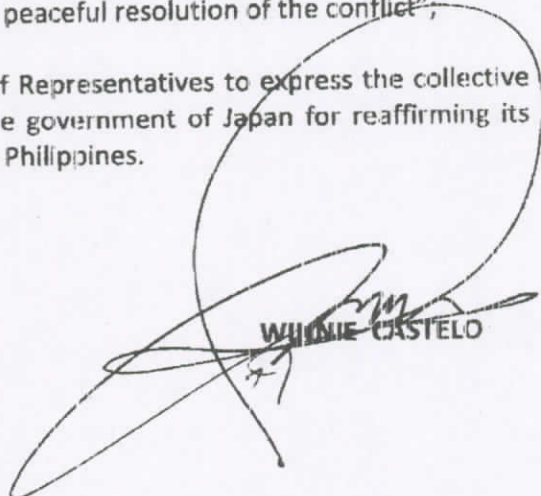
WHEREAS, Kishida met with President Duterte at the Malacañang of the South at the DPWH compound on August 11, 2016 to bring the news of Japan's readiness to turn over vessels to the Philippines to help the latter to boost its maritime patrol capabilities;

WHEREAS, Kishida was quoted as saying, "So I have conveyed during our meeting that Japan will continue to provide support for the improvement of the maritime security of the Philippines";

WHEREAS, Kishida further said, "I have believed that in achieving the rule of law at the sea, the international community should work in closer partnership...like Japan, to continue to cooperate closely with the relevant countries for the peaceful resolution of the conflict";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives to express the collective sense of the House of Representatives to thank the government of Japan for reaffirming its commitment to support the maritime security of the Philippines.

APPROVED,


WINNIE CASTELO