Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 117

Submitted by the Special Committee on Sustainable Development Goals on

Re: House Resolution No. 565

Recommend its approval in substitution of House Resolution No. 398;
Sponsors: Representatives Anna Marie Villaraza-Suarez, Juan Fidel Felipe F.
Nogales, Sarah Jane I. Elago and Jose L. Atienza, Jr.

Mr. Speaker:

The Special Committee on Sustainable Development Goals to which was referred
House Resolution No. 398, introduced by Reps. Juan Fidel Felipe F. Nogales, Sarah
Jane I. Elago and Jose L. Atienza, Jr., entitled:

"A RESOLUTION URGING ALL LEGISLATORS FROM THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES TO ADOPT AND ALIGN THE SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS) IN THE BILLS CRAFTED IN THE EIGHTEENTH
CONGRESS"

has considered the same and hereby recommends that House Resolution No. 565
entitled:

"RESOLUTION
ADOPTING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS) AS
THE FRAMEWORK OF LEGISLATIVE MEASURES TO BE CRAFTED
AND ENACTED IN THE EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS"

be adopted, in substitution of House Bill No. 398, with Reps. Juan Fidel Felipe F.
Nogales, Sarah Jane I. Elago, Jose L. Atienza, Jr., Anna Marie Villaraza-Suarez,
Yedda Marie K. Romualdez, Francisco "Kiko" B. Benítez, Claudine Diana D. Bautista,
Wilter "Sharky" Wee Palma II, Jocelyn P. Tulfo, Christopher De Venecia and Stella Luz
A. Quimbo, as authors thereof.
Respectfully submitted,

ANNA MARIE VILLARAZA-SUAREZ
Chairperson
Special Committee on Sustainable Development Goals

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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House Resolution No. 565
(Substitute to House Resolution No. 398)


RESOLUTION
ADOPTING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS) AS THE FRAMEWORK OF LEGISLATIVE MEASURES TO BE CRAFTED AND ENACTED IN THE EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS

WHEREAS, 193 United Nations Member States adopted the “2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development” in 2016, the post-2015 global development agenda built on the major advancements and improvements of the Millennium Development Goals;

WHEREAS, the “2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development” serves as the global blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all;

WHEREAS, the “2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development” includes seventeen Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), as follows: (1) eradicating poverty; (2) eliminating hunger; (3) promoting good health and well-being; (4) providing access to quality education; (5) promoting gender equality; (6) ensuring availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all; (7) guaranteeing access to affordable and clean energy; (8) promoting sustainable economic growth, productive employment and decent work; (9) building resilient infrastructure, promoting inclusive and sustainable industrialization and fostering innovation; (10) reducing inequality; (11) establishing sustainable cities and communities; (12) promoting responsible consumption and production; (13) taking urgent action to combat climate change; (14) conserving life below water; (15) conserving life on land; (16) promoting peace and justice and building strong institutions; and (17) ensuring partnerships to achieve the goals;
WHEREAS, the Philippines, as one of the countries that adopted the “2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, is committed to integrate the SDGs into the national development plans and policies;

WHEREAS, national legislation and support from all sectors are needed to achieve the targets and indicators of each of the SDGs, as the common framework of government offices and institutions in formulating, adopting, and implementing their programs and projects;

WHEREAS, it is imperative that key decision makers consistently monitor the performance of the Philippines to ensure that the country is on track in achieving the SDGs by the year 2030 and aligned to our roadmap of legislation and programs, including the “2017-2022 Philippine Development Plan”, within the sustainable development framework for the benefit of present and future generations;

WHEREAS, as a critical institution in the attainment of the country’s future, it is incumbent upon the House of Representatives to ensure that adequate policies, strategies, and actions consistent with the principles of sustainable development are adopted and implemented;

WHEREAS, the 18th Congress recognizes the efforts of multi-sectoral groups, particularly the “2030 Youth Force in the Philippines, Inc.” and “Impact Hub” for urging this Congress to adopt the SDGs by including or aligning the 17 goals in all our legislative measures; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives adopts the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as the framework of legislative measures to be crafted and enacted in the Eighteenth Congress;

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That the House of Representatives shall, among others:

a) Undertake committee hearings to allow lead implementing and data source agencies to update Congress on the status of the SDGs, based on the targets and indicators established by the Philippine government;

b) Dedicate at least one congressional hearing on SDGs for every Regular Session of the 18th Congress;

c) Enact legislation that will attain the SDGs by supporting the plans and programs of implementing agencies and ensuring that these are time-bound, given the 2030 deadline;

d) Prioritize the enactment of legislation which shall improve the country’s chances of meeting the SDGs targets, based on data and recommendations by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) and the National Economic and Development Administration (NEDA);

e) Incentivize the formulation, adoption, and implementation SDGs as a component in monitoring and evaluating the housekeeping of local
government units (LGUs), national government agencies, including
government owned and controlled corporations, which shall be used as basis
for performance-based bonuses and other benefits; and
f) Include the youth sector in advancing the SDGs;

RESOLVED, FINALLY, That the House of Representatives ensure that all
national policies, plans and programs employ the “2030 Agenda for Sustainable
Development” as a common framework for sustainable development, not just among
Philippine government agencies and units, but in collaboration with foreign
governments, local government units, and international youth and civil society
organizations.

Adopted,