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CALL TO ORDER

At 4:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Frederick “Erick” F. Abueg called the session to order.

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PRAYER

Pursuant to Section 73, Rule XI of the amended Provisional Rules of the House, the Members sang the National Anthem and thereafter, observed a minute of silent prayer.

**DEFERMENT OF THE ROLL CALL
AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL**

On successive motions of Representative Gerald Anthony “Samsam” V. Gullas Jr., there being no objection, the Body deferred the calling of the Roll as well as the approval of the Journal of the previous session.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read on First Reading the titles of the following Bills and Resolutions, which were referred to the appropriate Committees as hereunder indicated:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 4214, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ABACA BIOTECHNOLOGY LABORATORY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Sarmiento (C.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4215, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING OCTOBER 26 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF CATANDUANES TO BE KNOWN AS

THE FOUNDATION DAY OF
CATANDUANES”

By Representative Sarmiento (C.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF
LAWS

House Bill No. 4216, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MORE RESPONSIVE CIVIL REGISTRATION SYSTEM AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 4217, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTING A NATIONAL COMPREHENSIVE FRAMEWORK ON RESILIENT HOUSING AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Batocabe and Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND
URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 4218, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE DAVAO ORIENTAL STATE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE CITY OF MATI AND ALL ITS SATELLITE CAMPUSES LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE DAVAO ORIENTAL STATE UNIVERSITY, INTEGRATING THEREWITH THE GOVERNOR GENEROSO COLLEGE OF ARTS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GOVERNOR GENEROSO, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Almario

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4219, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BAYANG HISTORICAL PARK AND CONVENTION CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAYANG, LANA DEL SUR, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Papandayan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4220, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR PHILIPPINE ATHLETES WITH MILITARY SERVICES, GRANTING THEM ONE (1) TO THREE (3) RANKS HIGHER UPON ACHIEVING MEDALS IN ANY INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Romero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 4221, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING FARM MECHANIZATION DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTRY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Romero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4222, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE ENROLLMENT OF ALL CIVILIAN PERSONNEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE (DND) IN A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Romero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 4223, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING FOOD SECURITY, ESTABLISHING THE FOOD SECURITY COUNCIL, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Romero

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY

House Bill No. 4224, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE COCONUT INDUSTRY TRUST FUND ACT PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Lobregat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4225, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A REFERRAL TO CONCERNED AGENCIES OF ACADEMIC RESEARCH OUTPUTS”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4226, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO FILIPINO OVERSEAS GRADUATE STUDENTS”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4227, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING FOREIGN INVESTMENTS IN PHILIPPINE EDUCATION”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4228, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING EDUCATION TOURISM IN THE COUNTRY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR SUCH PURPOSE”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

ALL TEACHING PERSONNEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AND STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4229, entitled:

“AN ACT SUPPORTING THE TRAINING OF ENGLISH TUTOR AND TOUR GUIDES IN THE COUNTRY”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4233, entitled:

“AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MANDATORY PLAY AREAS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN IN ALL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4230, entitled:

“AN ACT EXEMPTING BUSINESSES WITH LESS THAN TEN (10) EMPLOYEES FROM COMPULSORY REGISTRATION WITH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES SUCH AS THE BIR, SSS, AND PHILHEALTH FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS FROM THE COMMENCEMENT OF THEIR BUSINESSES”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 4234, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVES IN THE PHILIPPINE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4231, entitled:

“AN ACT INCORPORATING LESSONS ON TEENAGE PREGNANCY PREVENTION AND POPULATION EDUCATION IN THE CURRICULUM OF BASIC EDUCATION IN THE PHILIPPINES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4235, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING PRIVATE SCHOOLS EXPANDED GOVERNMENT SUPPORT AND EASY ACCESS TO CREDIT”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4232, entitled:

“AN ACT TO GRANT A SPECIAL LEAVE PRIVILEGE FOR A MAXIMUM OF THREE (3) DAYS PER SCHOOL YEAR TO

House Bill No. 4236, entitled:

“AN ACT INCORPORATING ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND BASIC FINANCIAL LITERACY IN ALL TRACKS IN THE SENIOR

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4237, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING DIGITAL FLUENCY AMONG FILIPINO STUDENTS BY MANDATING SCHOOLS TO INSTITUTE CURRICULAR REFORMS THAT WOULD INCORPORATE THE SAME IN PREPARATION FOR THE FUTURE”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4238, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING MALLS FROM ALLOWING ENTRY IN THEIR PREMISES SCHOOL CHILDREN IN UNIFORM NOT ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT OR A RESPONSIBLE ADULT DURING SCHOOL HOURS”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4239, entitled:

“AN ACT INCLUDING IN THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM LESSONS ON THE PARTY LIST SYSTEM”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4240, entitled:

“AN ACT EXEMPTING SMALL TRUCKS FROM ANY TRUCK BAN COVERAGE”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4241, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDERS FROM IMPLEMENTING MISLEADING PROMOS”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 4242, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE IMPOSITION OF EXCESSIVE LISTING FEES”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 4243, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING CONSIGNEES FROM REMITTING SALES TO CONSIGNORS AFTER ONE WEEK FROM ACTUAL PAYMENT”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 4244, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ASEAN STUDIES AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EAST ASEAN GROWTH AREA

House Bill No. 4245, entitled:

“AN ACT TO INTEGRATE LESSONS ON FRIENDLINESS TO TOURISTS IN THE CURRICULUM OF BASIC EDUCATION”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4246, entitled:

“AN ACT TO INTEGRATE LESSONS ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN THE CURRICULUM OF BASIC EDUCATION”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4247, entitled:

“AN ACT TO INTEGRATE LESSONS ON BASIC ROAD COURTESY AND APPROPRIATE STREET BEHAVIOR IN THE CURRICULUM OF BASIC EDUCATION”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4248, entitled:

“AN ACT TO INTEGRATE LESSONS ON SOCIAL MEDIA ETHICS IN THE CURRICULUM OF FORMAL EDUCATION”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4249, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING HAZARD PAY TO TEACHERS ASSIGNED IN CONFLICT AREAS AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MEASURES FOR THEIR PROTECTION”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4250, entitled:

“AN ACT TO INTEGRATE LESSONS ON DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND FIRE

DRILLS IN THE CURRICULUM OF FORMAL EDUCATION”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4251, entitled:

“AN ACT TO REQUIRE CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES WITH FAR-FLUNG AREAS TO PROVIDE A SCHOOLBUS OR ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORT SYSTEM FOR KINDERGARTEN AND ELEMENTARY STUDENTS”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4252, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING INCREASED POLICE VISIBILITY IN SCHOOLS”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 4253, entitled:

“AN ACT GIVING ROAD ACCESS TO ALL TOURISM SITES IN THE COUNTRY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 4254, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ANNUAL RESEARCH COMPETITION AMONG COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4255, entitled:

“FOREIGN LANGUAGE STUDIES ACT OF 2016”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4256, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING A SCHOLAR FOR EVERY FILIPINO FAMILY”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4257, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A TEN YEAR ASEAN INTEGRATION PLAN AND THE IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING THEREOF”

By Representative Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4258, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE LEGAL EDUCATION BOARD, THEREBY AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7662, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LEGAL EDUCATION REFORM ACT OF 1993' AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4259, entitled:

“ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 4260, entitled:

“AN ACT OFFICIALLY CREATING BARANGAY ASCOMO, MUNICIPALITY OF GUA-GUA, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA, INTO A BARANGAY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Macapagal-Arroyo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 4261, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 53 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8371, ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO RECOGNIZE, PROTECT AND PROMOTE THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES, CREATING A NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES, ESTABLISHING IMPLEMENTING MECHANISMS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Macapagal-Arroyo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

House Bill No. 4262, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR TAX RELIEF IN CALAMITY”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

House Bill No. 4263, entitled:

“AN ACT BANNING SUPERMARKETS, FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS AND OTHER SIMILAR BUSINESSES FROM THROWING AWAY AND SPOILING UNSOLD FOOD”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY

House Bill No. 4264, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING ADDITIONAL INSURANCE BENEFITS TO BARANGAY CAPTAINS, PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE PAYMENT OF ITS PREMIUMS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 4265, entitled:

“AN ACT PROTECTING CONSUMERS OF WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICES”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 4266, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTING REFORMS IN LAND ADMINISTRATION”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 4267, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 112, CHAPTER I, TITLE IV OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 4268, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE COMMITTED BY COMMON CARRIERS, FURTHER AMENDING ARTICLE 365 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OR THE REVISED PENAL CODE”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 4269, entitled:

“AN ACT ORDAINING, THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DOWNSTREAM NATURAL GAS INDUSTRY, CONSOLIDATING FOR THE PURPOSE ALL LAWS RELATING TO THE TRANSMISSION, DISTRIBUTION AND SUPPLY OF NATURAL GAS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

House Bill No. 4270, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING STREET AND ROAD SIGNS, WAITING SHEDS, SPEED BUMPS, SIDEWALKS, PAVEMENTS, STREETLIGHTS AND OTHER SIMILAR INFRASTRUCTURE PRESCRIBING THE SPECIFICATION AND MEASUREMENT STANDARDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 4271, entitled:

“AN ACT BANNING TRADITIONAL, SMALL-SCALE, COMMUNITY INCINERATION ("SIGA") AND AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8749, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CLEAN AIR ACT OF 1999, AND ITS IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS, AND INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR BURNING OF SOLID WASTE, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9003”

By Representative Herrera-Dy

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 4272, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING JANUARY 24 OF EVERY YEAR AS GOVERNOR HIGINIO ACOSTA MENDOZA, SR. DAY IN THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN AND THE CITY OF PUERTO PRINCESA IN HONOR OF THE MARTYRDOM OF GOVERNOR HIGINIO ACOSTA MENDOZA”

By Representatives Acosta, Abueg and Alvarez (F.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 4273, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN AS THE ECOLOGICAL TOURISM CAPITAL OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Acosta, Abueg and Alvarez (F.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 4274, entitled:

“AN ACT UPGRADING THE SOUTHERN ISABELA GENERAL HOSPITAL IN SANTIAGO CITY, PROVINCE OF ISABELA INTO A TERTIARY GENERAL HOSPITAL TO BE KNOWN AS THE SOUTHERN ISABELA MEDICAL CENTER AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Aggabao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4275, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE SPACE DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION POLICY AND CREATING THE PHILIPPINE SPACE AGENCY (PSA) AND DEFINE THE PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF ITS ACTIVITIES”

By Representatives Nieto and Maceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 4276, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE COMPREHENSIVE POLICY ON HIV AND AIDS PREVENTION, TREATMENT, CARE AND SUPPORT, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8504, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'PHILIPPINE AIDS PREVENTION AND CONTROL ACT OF 1998', AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Salo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4277, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES AND BENEFITS TO BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7883, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES ACT OF 1995”

By Representative Salo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 4278, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE TALISAY DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN TALISAY CITY, PROVINCE OF CEBU INTO A MEDICAL CENTER TO BE KNOWN AS THE TALISAY CITY MEDICAL CENTER, INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY FROM TWO HUNDRED FIFTY (250) TO FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Gullas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4279, entitled:

“AN ACT REPEALING ARTICLES 202 AND 341 OF THE REVISED PENAL CODE AND INSTITUTING A SYSTEM OF PROTECTION FOR VICTIMS OF PROSTITUTION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Aglipay-Villar

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 4280, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE PHILIPPINE FRUIT AUTHORITY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Romero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4281, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING HOUSING UNITS FOR HOMELESS PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AS MANDATORY AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Cortuna

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 4282, entitled:

“AN ACT RECLASSIFYING AND CONVERTING PARCELS OF TIMBERLAND LOCATED IN BARANGAYS 1 AND 2 (POBLACION), BULAWAN, CARAYACAY, LIBERTAD, MALOBAGO, MAPUTI, SAN ROQUE, SAN MIGUEL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MASLOG AND SMALL PORTIONS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF ARTECHE, ORAS AND DOLORES IN THE PROVINCE OF EASTERN SAMAR, AS ALIENABLE AND DISPOSABLE LANDS”

By Representative Evardone

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 4283, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NUMBER 7653, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE NEW CENTRAL BANK ACT', AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Evardone

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

House Bill No. 4284, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE SAMAR ISLAND NATURAL PARK (SINP), SITUATED IN THE PROVINCES OF SAMAR, NORTHERN SAMAR AND EASTERN SAMAR, AS A PROTECTED AREA AND ITS PERIPHERAL AREAS AS BUFFER ZONE, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Evardone

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 4285, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9297, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE CHEMICAL ENGINEERING LAW OF 2004’”

By Representative Sagarbarria

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 4286, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE COCONUT FARMERS AND INDUSTRY TRUST FUND AND PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION”

By Representative Garin (S.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4287, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING WASTE DUMPING AND STRENGTHENING THE EXISTING SYSTEM OF WASTE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT IN THE COUNTRY, THEREBY AMENDING SECTIONS 4 (b), 13, 14 (a) (i), AND 15 OF REPUBLIC ACT 6969, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives De Jesus and Brosas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 4288, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SIBULAN, TORIL DISTRICT, DAVAO CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE MT. APO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Ungab

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4289, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY CATIGAN, TORIL DISTRICT, DAVAO CITY TO

BE KNOWN AS THE CATIGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Ungab

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4290, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO NOTRE DAME BROADCASTING CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8109 ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE NOTRE DAME BROADCASTING CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES FOR RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL, AND CULTURAL AS WELL AS FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES' FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS FROM EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT”

By Representative Tejada

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 4291, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING ALL GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND ESTABLISHMENTS TO ADOPT WORK-AT-HOME PROGRAMS”

By Representatives Batocabe, Garbin and Co

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 4292, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE III, SECTION 10 OF R.A. 10000, OR THE 'AGRI-AGRA REFORM CREDIT ACT OF 2009', TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE AND UNDERCOMPLIANCE OF LENDING INSTITUTIONS”

By Representative Antonio

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4293, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE MATAGUISI COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - CACALAGGAN ANNEX AT BARANGAY CACALAGGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF PUDTOL, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE MATAGUISI COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-MAIN CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TAWIT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Bulut-Begtang

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4294, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE GOVERNOR BENJAMIN LEGUIAB, SR. MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - SACPIL ANNEX AT BARANGAY SACPIL, MUNICIPALITY OF CONNER, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE GOVERNOR BENJAMIN LEGUIAB, SR. MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-MAIN CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SACPIL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Bulut-Begtang

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4295, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE MAYOR BARTOLOME SERUT NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND TRADE HIGH SCHOOL - MUSIMUT ANNEX AT BARANGAY MUSIMUT, MUNICIPALITY OF KABUGAO, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE MAYOR BARTOLOME SERUT NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND TRADE HIGH SCHOOL-MAIN CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL

HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MUSI-MUT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Bulut-Begtang

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4296, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE CONNER CENTRAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - GUINA-ANG ANNEX AT BARANGAY GUINA-ANG, MUNICIPALITY OF CONNER, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE CONNER CENTRAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-MAIN CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS GUINA-ANG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Bulut-Begtang

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 517, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING FORMER SARANGANI CONGRESSMAN AND NOW PHILIPPINE SENATOR EMMANUEL “MANNY” DAPIDRAN PACQUIAO FOR SUCCESSFULLY RECLAIMING THE WORLD BOXING ORGANIZATION (WBO) WELTERWEIGHT TITLE FROM JESSIE VARGAS LAST NOVEMBER 05, 2016 AT THE NEVADA, U.S.A.”

By Representative Ong (E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 518, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE STATE OF THE AFFECTED AREAS OF MARCOPPER MINING”

By Representative Velasco

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 519, entitled:

“RESOLUTION EXTENDING COMMENDATION AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTINCTION TO SENATOR MANNY “PACMAN” PACQUIAO FOR WINNING THE WBO INTERNATIONAL WELTERWEIGHT TITLE FIGHT AGAINST JESSIE VARGAS”

By Representatives Lacson and Salo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 520, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING SENATOR EMMANUEL PACQUIAO FOR SUCCESSFULLY RECLAIMING THE WORLD BOXING ORGANIZATION (WBO) WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE FROM JESSIE VARGAS LAST NOVEMBER 5, 2016”

By Representative Chipeco

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 521, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR AN INVESTIGATION IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES (NCIP) ON THE IMPROPER IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8371 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE’S RIGHTS ACT OF 1997 AND URGING THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL CULTURAL COMMUNITIES FOR AMENDMENT OF SOME PROVISIONS OF THE LAW”

By Representative Cortuna

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 522, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE PROPER HOUSE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PROGRESS AND STATUS OF RAILROAD PROJECTS BY THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL RAILWAYS”

By Representative Batocabe, Chipeco, Garbin and Co

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 523, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 17TH CONGRESS TO GRANT CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL TO THE COMPROMISE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL OIL POLLUTION COMPENSATION FUND (IOPC) FUND AND THE PHILIPPINE COASTGUARD TO SETTLE THE COUNTRY’S CLAIMS FOR THE CLEANUP OF THE 13 AUGUST 2006 M/V SOLAR I OIL SPILL OFF GUIMARAS ISLAND IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED FOUR MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN THOUSAND AND THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE PESOS (Php 104,757,389.00), PURSUANT TO SECTION 4, TITLE 19B OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 292 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987”

By Representative Roque (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Resolution No. 524, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE HONORABLE SENATOR AND BOXING CHAMPION EMMANUEL “MANNY” D. PACQUIAO FOR WINNING THE WBO WELTERWEIGHT TITLE FIGHT AGAINST JESSIE VARGAS”

By Representatives Pacquiao and Estrella

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 525, entitled:

“RESOLUTION INSTITUTIONALIZING THE ANCESTRAL DOMAIN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND PROTECTION PLAN (ADSDPP) BY MANDATING ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES, INCLUDING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs), TO INCORPORATE THE ADSDPP INTO THEIR RESPECTIVE PROGRAMS, SERVICES AND ANNUAL BUDGET THERETO”

By Representative Catamco

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

House Resolution No. 526, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION TO ADOPT A POLICY ON WORK-AT-HOME PROGRAM FOR CIVIL SERVANTS”

By Representatives Batocabe, Garbin and Co

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Resolution No. 527, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEES ON NATURAL RESOURCES, HUMAN RIGHTS AND NATIONAL CULTURAL COMMUNITIES TO CONDUCT A JOINT INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE LOGGING OPERATIONS OF D.M. CONSUNJI, INC. (DMCI), UNDER TWELVE (12) CONTRACTS OF INTEGRATED FORESTRY MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (IFMA) COVERING 102,954 HECTARES OF LAND IN DAGUMA MOUNTAIN RANGE, SULTAN KADARAT, THAT TRIGGERED HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES AGAINST THE LUMAD NATIONAL MINORITY COMMUNITIES”

By Representatives Casilao, Zarate, De Jesus, Tinio, Brosas and Elago

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 528, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING MS. KYLIE FAUSTO VERZOSA FOR WINNING THE 2016 MISS INTERNATIONAL PAGEANT”

By Representative Tambunting

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 529, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING SENATOR EMMANUEL “MANNY” PACQUIAO FOR WINNING THE WBO WORLD WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE FIGHT AGAINST JESSIE VARGAS”

By Representative Tambunting

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 530, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE LEADERSHIP TO STRICTLY ENFORCE POLICE OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES AND RULES OF ENGAGEMENT IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF 'OPLAN TOKHANG' AND DETERMINE WHETHER SUCH PROCEDURES AND RULES OF ENGAGEMENT ARE CAREFULLY UPHELD IN POLICE OPERATIONS”

By Representative Cortuna

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

ADDITIONAL COAUTHORS

With the permission of the Body, the following Members were made coauthors of the Bills and Resolutions hereunder indicated:

Rep. Joaquin M. Chipeco Jr. for House Bill No. 3048;

Rep. Lorna C. Silverio for House Bill No. 580;

Reps. Federico "Ricky" S. Sandoval II and Manuel Monsour T. Del Rosario III for House Bill No. 3341;

Rep. Raul V. Del Mar for House Bill No. 4117;

Rep. Ramon "Red" H. Durano VI for House Bills No. 1912, 1915 and 2505;

Rep. Carmelo "Jon" B. Lazatin II for House Bills No. 515, 3213, 3441, 3474, 3479, 3488, 3792, 3889 and 3894;

Rep. Maria Carmen S. Zamora for House Bill No. 4113;

Rep. Arnulfo P. Fuentesbella for House Bill No. 516;

Rep. Eric L. Olivarez for House Bill No. 1858;

Rep. Jose Antonio "Kuya Jonathan" R. Sy-Alvarado for House Resolution No. 413;

Rep. Emmanuel A. Billones for House Bills No. 2709, 2710, 2713 and 2465;

Rep. Frederick W. Siao for House Bill No. 2915;

Rep. Manuel Monsour T. Del Rosario III for House Bill No. 3940;

Rep. Napoleon S. Dy for House Bill No. 555;

Rep. Jose "Pingping" I. Tejada for House Bill No. 1100;

Reps. Imelda R. Marcos and Arnulfo P. Fuentesbella for House Bills No. 3457, 3458 and 3459;

Rep. Greg G. Gasataya for House Bill No. 3458;

Reps. Pablo C. Ortega and Wilfredo S. Caminero for House Bill No. 1858;

Rep. Juliette T. Uy for House Bill No. 1859;

Rep. Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas for House Bill No. 1890;

Rep. Manuel T. Sagarbarria for House Bills No. 1667, 1668, 1669, 1683, 2228, 2234 and 3822;

Rep. Noel L. Villanueva for House Bills No. 37 and 40;

Rep. France L. Castro for House Resolution No. 527; and

Rep. Ariel "Ka Ayik" B. Casilao for House Resolution No. 464.

THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

With the unanimous consent of the House, on motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Chair declared the Privilege Hour.

On further motion of Rep. Gullas, the Chair recognized Rep. Jose L. Atienza Jr. to deliver the following privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REP. ATIENZA

Thank you. Salamat po sa ating Majority Leader sa pagkakataong ibinigay sa atin para tayo po ay humingi ng pananaw sa ating mga kasamahan sa ating kasalukuyang Kongreso.

We would like to give stress on the creeping culture of death that is bearing down on our whole country today.

Kagalang-galang na Speaker, hindi ko na po bibigyan ng detalye ang nangyari po sa Baybay, Leyte. Alam ko namang alam ng lahat ng ating mga kasamahan kung ano ang naganap doon sa kanilang kulungan--kung papaano sa gitna

ng gabi o madaling-araw, pinaslang ang dalawang inmate doon ng mga kapulisan na hindi naman taga-roon. Their alibi is that they were serving a search warrant.

Mr. Speaker, marami pong mga panloloko at kasinun-galingan na natatanggap natin sa panahon natin ngayon. Pero para sabihin po ng ating mga kapulisan ngayon na iyong kanilang pagpunta roon ay upang i-serve ang isang search warrant, madaling-araw, sa loob ng kulungan, sa dalawang tao o sa isang taong sumuko na sa awtoridad -- this is the height of what we call the "creeping culture of death." Because very clearly, the purpose to visit the mayor who was detained in that cell was to rub him out of existence, kill him. Kapag hindi naman po tayo nagulantang diyan ay kailan pa tayo gigising? Kailan pa natin papansinin na wala na pong paggalang sa buhay ng tao ngayon, at ito ay nang-yayari araw-araw. Sa pagkakataong ito, ako ay nakakatiyak, mayroong pinapatay na Pilipino sa kanyang tahanan o sa loob ng kanyang barangay.

The other night, one barangay chairman from Manila was shot dead by two people riding in tandem. The other night, a couple, a husband and wife in Las Piñas, were killed in cold blood inside their house. The other day, a leader of the anti-crime movement in Mindoro was mercilessly killed, and the suspects are two uniformed policemen. The other week, the mayor of Maguindanao was also slaughtered in the checkpoint organized by the local police.

I can go on and on and on and count the dead bodies that are now in our midst, Mr. Speaker. Almost 4,000 Filipinos have already been killed. And when do we stop? If the culture of death is accepted by us, then you and I will have nothing to work on. This Congress will be useless if we cannot put a stop to all of these. Wala pong pupuntahan ang ating bansa kung ang paggalang sa buhay ng tao ay hindi na natin bibigyan ng halaga. Kung ang karapatan ng isang Pilipino upang siya ay makapagtanggol sa kanyang sarili ay hindi na po magagalang ng ating mga maykapangyarihan, wala na po tayong hinaharap na kinabukasan.

Mr. Speaker, dumaan tayo sa batas militar, dumaan tayo sa isang diktadurya, dumaan tayo sa madilim na panahon kung saan hindi tayo makapagsalita ng malaya, subalit alam nating mayroon at mayroon po tayong magagawa upang ipagtanggol ang ating karapatan noong mga panahong yun.

We are very, very sorry for what is going on because we know that we will not succeed in our dreams for a prosperous Philippines. The common vision that we all share in this Congress of a prosperous Philippines will not be accomplished. I am sorry to say, no amount of good governance that is not anchored on the rule of law has any chance to succeed. Kung tayo po naman ay magbabago na ng sistema at papalitan natin ng isang diktadurya, itong ating sistema ngayon, so be it; but then, we should also react properly.

At this point in time, we have to take note that a culture of death is already upon us. The only way to progress is to promote a culture of life, the anathema and the opposite side

of a culture of death. A culture of life as envisioned by our forefathers, by the heroes of our nation, will be realized because this nation was founded on the rule of law, and each and every Filipino's right to life was respected.

Kung tayo po ay nagtagumpay sa mga nakaraang dekada, sa nakaraang siglo, ay dahil po sa ating pag-uugali bilang Pilipino. Hindi kailanman nang-api ang Pilipino. Subalit kung pababayaan natin, lahat po tayo ay aabutin yan.

Iyon nga po ang aking naisagot sa isang nagtanong sa akin, "Congressman, mayor, what are you doing? We don't hear your voice". And I answered him, "It is not my voice that will count, but the collective voices of our people."

Ang sabi nga po ni Dr. Jose Rizal, "Walang mang-aapi, kung walang magpapaapi".

But our people are helpless at this point. Our President, no less, is leading a campaign to eradicate the drug problem. That is commendable. Our President, no less, has sustained these efforts to do everything his government can do to reform the criminal justice system, so that our nation will be saved from the drug menace. That is needed and admirable. But, Mr. Speaker, all of these good intentions will come to naught, mawawalan po ng saysay ito kung ang lahat ng pamamaraan na gagamitin ay pagpatay at pagkitil sa buhay ng tao. If all of them will take shortcuts in killing every individual that they would like to kill, hindi po magtatagumpay ang ating Pangulo. I do not see a country ruled under a culture of death will ever succeed in giving the people, a hundred million of us, dependent on what the leader will lead us to.

At this point in time, Mr. Speaker, I'm appealing to our good Director of the Philippine National Police, whom I saw on television watching boxing while Mayor Espinosa was being slaughtered in his cell, I'm appealing to the President, President Duterte himself: "You unleashed these forces now that are committing all of these abuses. It is time for you now to rein them in; otherwise, riding a vicious, violent tiger may not allow you anymore to get down off it when the time comes that you realize that you are headed for the wrong direction."

Today, we can still do something. In this Congress, we can do something. We, elected Members of this Congress, can work so that we will be able to do something to help this government accomplish its goals without breaking the rule of law. If we have succeeded so far in our threat to a genuine democracy when we removed the dictator of 20 years, it was on the basis of defending the rule of law. If we have maintained stability in our government in spite of challenges being imposed by many sectors, it's only because Filipinos want the rule of law. This is all we are asking for, Mr. Speaker. Respect life, follow the rule of law. We have a Constitution that is about to be challenged and changed, but I'm sad to proclaim that this Constitution has been violated in many, many ways by the present campaign, supposedly, to eradicate the drug problem.

The good intention, as they say, is littered with all of these bodies of dead people; and no good intention will justify, ever, the deprivation of life to one Filipino. Isa lamang po na pinaslang na wala po sa tamang paraan, iyan po ay sisingilin hindi lang ng Panginoong Diyos, sisingilin ng taong-bayan pagdating ng panahon. Iyong pulis, kailangan maging pulis muli at iyong kriminal, habulin natin, ikulong, parusahan.

Our problem is one of a corrupt criminal justice system that we can see riddled with all of these killings, with the authorities taking the law in their own hands. The prosecution, the judicial system, is not working, Mr. President, kaya kailangan pong iyon ang ating puntuhin, iyon ang ating pagtulong-tulungan. Ang sagot diyan ay hindi death penalty; ang sagot diyan ay repormahin natin ang ating criminal justice system, so that the police will work, the prosecutor will prosecute, the judge will render justice, and all of our city jails will be safe for those who will be put in there.

Ngayon, ang pinakamalaking iskandalo sa buong mundo ay iyong ating Bilibid Compound, kung saan nagmumula ang lahat ng droga and no less than the former Secretary of Justice is being accused of having benefited from all of these. Personally, I believe all of those allegations. I know that you are all believers of that because we investigated the matter. But look, what do we hear from our colleagues? Kailangan ibalik na ang death penalty sapagkat nakakakuha lang ng mga benepisyong mga nasa loob ng Muntinlupa. The solution is not the death penalty, Mr. Speaker. The solution is to reform the criminal justice system. Iyong makukulong, ikulong. Kung habang buhay, hayaan nating mabulok sa kulungan ng habambuhay, at hindi yung binibigyan natin ng pribilehiyo ang mga nagpapatakbo ng ating New Bilibid compound.

So, it is right in our faces, Mr. Speaker, the causes of all of these are very, very simple matters to handle if we, Members of Congress, will put in all our collective minds and commit to a real genuine democracy. Then we will succeed, Mr. Speaker. But if we look at the other way around and we look for solutions which are not the real causes of the problem, we will not get anywhere. Sa problema sa traffic, ang sagot ay masyado raw marami kasing commuters, marami raw kasing tao. Hindi po iyon ang problema, Mr. Speaker. Ang problema ng traffic, ay mismanagement of those running the traffic in our country especially of the past government. Let me stress that, the mismanagement of the past government is the one at fault about why we are suffering the consequences of a problem, of a traffic mess.

So, here we go again, we would like to support the President, we would like him to succeed, but on the other hand, it is most important to remind him that killing people is not the solution but punishing the criminals is the genuine way to teach the lesson. The certainty of arrest and punishment, Mr. Speaker, is the best deterrent to the commission of any crime. It is not the penalty. All countries who have experimented on the death penalty, including the Philippines, have not succeeded in eradicating crimes in their countries. So, here we go again, running around in circles,

running around after our own tail. Para tayong asong paitkot-ikot, hinahabol iyong sarili niyang buntot. Wala po tayong pupuntahan, Mr. Speaker.

So, I am now holding on to the words of the President. Yesterday, as I was listening to him on radio, he was in Leyte, ang sabi niya, “Kayong mga pulis, magtrabaho kayo, gawin ninyo ang dapat ninyong gawin. Huwag kayong matakot. Kung sino man ang hahadlang sa inyo, ipagtatanggol ko kayo.” Those are accurate words. But he said something else after that, “Kung kayo naman, ang aapihin ninyo ay ang civilian,” tapos nagmura siya, “kayo ang papatayin ko.” Those are not my words, Mr. Speaker, those are the words of President Duterte, papatayin daw niya ang mga pulis na aabuso sa taongbayan.

So I call on him now: do something about the situation, Mr. President, unless your credibility may suffer incorrigibly if you do not do something now. Ang mga tao ay umaasa na lamang sa solusyon ng ating Pangulo. Ang mga tao ay umaasa sa nangangakong General Dela Rosa. Ang mga tao ay umaasa sa ating mga Congressmen, mga halal ng bayan. What we do will bear fruits tomorrow. What we fail to do will bear on all of us including our children and grandchildren. So I urge all of you, let us have one collective voice in calling on this government to address the problems accurately at pagtulong-tulungan natin ang solusyon at hindi iyon sa pamamaraang walang pupuntahan.

Ang ginagawa nila ngayon ay inaalis lamang ang lahat ng mga impormasyon na magdudulot ng tamang direksyon sa prosecution. Ang mga pinapatay ngayon ay iyong mga may alam sa mga nangyari at nangyayari pang pamamahagi ng droga. Mr. Speaker, the problem of drug distribution, for the information of the Body, has not stopped altogether. It continues on victimizing our young. Again, because the solution that we are offering ourselves is not the correct solution. Papunta po tayo sa isang kulturang hindi natin nanaisin kailanman.

The culture of death may be acceptable to some or to many, unless you get victimized yourself. Kapag kayo na ang biktima, maiintindihan ninyo itong mensahe ko. We have to stand up now and defend the rule of law. There is still time, it is barely four months under the leadership of the President; he can do something about the direction that he is leading us to. I still believe in him but I would like to see him reform what he is now starting to create, which is a culture of death.

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, for this opportunity. Thank you, Mr. Majority Leader.

MOTION OF REP. GULLAS

On motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Chair recognized Rep. H. Harry L. Roque Jr. for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. ROQUE (H.)

To the initial concerns of Rep. Roque who commended him for breaking the silence on the killing of former Mayor Rolando Espinosa, Sr. of Albuera, Leyte, Rep. Atienza relayed the police reports thereon and asked why the incident happened inside a mere substation, why the Criminal Investigation and Detection Group (CIDG) served a warrant to someone who had already surrendered, and why it did so early in the morning; and whether the mayor and his co-detainee did have guns inside their cells. He stressed the need for police operations to be able to stand up in court.

Subsequently, Rep. Roque asked several other questions. On how warrants are served to detained individuals, Rep. Atienza cited common sense and his mayoralty experience as he detailed the practice of giving the warrant to the warden or posting it on the walls of the jail and as he observed that the CCTV cameras that could have recorded the Espinosa killing, were missing.

On the allegation that Mayor Espinosa fought his arrest, Rep. Atienza gave the following remarks: (1) such was the version of the police in several other cases; it was illogical to resist a warrant when one was in detention; (2) the presence of guns among detainees was evidence of the warden's ignorance and negligence; (3) he was not defending Mayor Espinosa but the right to life even of the accused; and (4) when he was mayor of Manila, he supported police forces under his management in terms of allowances, pay increases, vehicles, and equipment in all aspects but never tolerated any salvaging operation.

On what he expected the Executive to do about the aforesaid killing, he said that President Rodrigo Roa Duterte should let an impartial body investigate erring policemen and immediately suspend and disarm them. He observed that the President's pronouncement that he will kill those who abuse civilians, was not backed by concrete action.

REFERRAL OF REP. ATIENZA'S PRIVILEGE SPEECH

On motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body referred the privilege speech of Rep. Atienza and the interpellation thereon to the Committee on Rules.

TERMINATION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

On motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body terminated the Privilege Hour.

ROLL CALL

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

Abayon
Abellanosa
Abu
Abueg
Acharon
Acop
Acosta
Advincula
Agarao
Aggabao
Alejano
Almario
Almonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (P.)
Amatong
Angara-Castillo
Antonino
Aragones
Arbison
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Aumentado
Bag-ao
Baguilat
Banal
Bataoil
Batocabe
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.C.)
Belmonte (R.)
Bertiz
Billones
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)
Brosas
Bulut-Begtang
Cagas
Calixto-Rubiano
Campos
Casilao
Castelo
Castro (F.L.)
Castro (F.H.)
Cayetano

Chavez	Manalo
Cortes	Mangudadatu (Z.)
Cortuna	Marcoleta
Cosalan	Marcos
Crisologo	Marquez
Cuaresma	Martinez
Cueva	Matugas
Dalipe	Mellana
Daza	Mending
De Jesus	Nieto
De Vera	Noel
Defensor	Nogralles (J.J.)
Del Mar	Nogralles (K.A.)
Deloso-Montalla	Nolasco
Durano	Ocampo
Dy	Olivarez
Elago	Ong (E.)
Erice	Ong (H.)
Eriguel	Ortega (P.)
Ermita-Buhain	Ortega (V.N.)
Escudero	Paduano
Espino	Palma
Estrella	Pancho
Evardone	Panganiban
Fariñas	Panotes
Ferrer (J.)	Papandayan
Ferriol-Pascual	Pichay
Floirendo	Pimentel
Flores	Pineda
Fortuno	Plaza
Fuentebella	Primicias-Agabas
Garbin	Quimbo
Garcia (G.)	Ramirez-Sato
Garcia (J.E.)	Ramos
Garin (S.)	Relampagos
Geron	Revilla
Go (M.)	Roa-Puno
Gonzaga	Robes
Gonzales (A.D.)	Rodriguez (I.)
Gonzalez	Rodriguez (M.)
Gullas	Romero
Herrera-Dy	Romualdo
Hofer	Roque (H.)
Javier	Sacdalan
Labadlabad	Sagarbarria
Lacson	Salimbangon
Lagman	Salo
Laogan	Salon
Lazatin	Sambar
Lobregat	Sarmiento (C.)
Lopez (B.)	Savellano
Lopez (C.)	Sema
Macapagal-Arroyo	Siao
Maceda	Silverio
Madrona	Suansing (E.)
Malapitan	Suansing (H.)

Sy-Alvarado
 Tambunting
 Tan (A.)
 Tan (S.)
 Tejada
 Teves
 Tiangco
 Ting
 Tinio
 Tolentino
 Tugna
 Tupas
 Unabia
 Ungab
 Unico
 Vargas-Alfonso
 Velarde
 Velasco
 Velasco-Catera
 Veloso
 Vergara
 Villanueva
 Villaraza-Suarez
 Villarín
 Violago
 Yap (M.)
 Yap (V.)
 Yu
 Zamora (M.C.)
 Zamora (R.)
 Zarate
 Zubiri

With 193 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See also Appendix 1).

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Rep. Gullas acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Reps. Frederick W. Siao and Edward Vera Perez Maceda.

Rep. Aurelio “Dong” D. Gonzales Jr. likewise acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of guests of Reps. Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla, Anna Marie Villaraza-Suarez and Kaka J. Bag-ao.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Rep. Gonzales (A.D.), the Chair suspended the session at 5:08 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 5:20 p.m.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Additional Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the following House Bill which was referred to the appropriate Committee as hereunder indicated:

BILL ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 4334, entitled:

“TRAFFIC CRISIS ACT OF 2016 MAKIISA. MAKISAMA. MAGKAISA.”

By Representatives Alvarez (P.), Fariñas, Sarmiento (C.) and Suarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

On motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body approved Journal No. 41, dated November 8, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Subsequently, on motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until four o’clock in the afternoon of Monday, November 14, 2016.

It was 5:21 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

(Sgd.) **ATTY. CESAR S. PAREJA**
 Secretary General

Approved on November 14, 2016

Congress of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Philippines

MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE

Date: November 09, 2016

**** ABAD	BELMONTE (J.C.)	DE VERA
* ABAYA	BELMONTE (R.)	DEFENSOR
ABAYON	* BENITEZ	DEL MAR
ABELLANOSA	* BERNOS	**** DEL ROSARIO
ABU	BERTIZ	**** DELOSO-MONTALLA
ABUEG	**** BIAZON	**** DIMAPORO (A.)
ACHARON	BILLONES	**** DIMAPORO (M.K.)
ACOP	***** BIRON	***** DUAVIT
ACOSTA	BOLILIA	DURANO
** ACOSTA-ALBA	BONDOC	DY
* ADIONG	BORDADO	ELAGO
ADVINCULA	BRAVO (A.)	***** ENVERGA
AGARAO	BRAVO (M.V.)	ERICE
AGGABAO	BROSAS	ERIGUEL
***** AGLIPAY-VILLAR	BULUT-BEGTANG	ERMITA-BUHAIN
***** AKBAR	CAGAS	ESCUDERO
** ALBANO	* CALDERON	**** ESPINA
***** ALCALA	CALIXTO-RUBIANO	ESPINO
ALEJANO	**** CAMINERO	ESTRELLA
ALMARIO	CAMPOS	* EUSEBIO
ALMONTE	***** CANAMA	EVARDONE
**** ALONTE	**** CARI	FARIÑAS
ALVAREZ (F.)	CASILAO	***** FERNANDO
**** ALVAREZ (M.)	CASTELO	FERRER (J.)
ALVAREZ (P.)	CASTRO (F.L.)	* FERRER (L.)
* AMANTE	CASTRO (F.H.)	FERRIOL-PASCUAL
AMATONG	* CATAMCO	FLOIRENDO
**** ANDAYA	CAYETANO	FLORES
ANGARA-CASTILLO	* CELESTE	* FORTUN
ANTONINO	**** CERAFICA	FORTUNO
* ANTONIO	* CERILLES	FUENTEBELLA
ARAGONES	CHAVEZ	GARBIN
ARBISON	**** CHIPECO	GARCIA (G.)
ARCILLAS	* CO	GARCIA (J.E.)
ARENAS	***** COJUANGCO	** GARCIA-ALBANO
ATIENZA	**** COLLANTES	***** GARIN (R.)
AUMENTADO	CORTES	GARIN (S.)
BAG-AO	CORTUNA	**** GASATAYA
** BAGATSING	COSALAN	*** GATCHALIAN
BAGUILAT	CRISOLOGO	GERON
BANAL	** CUA	** GO (A.C.)
* BARBERS	CUARESMA	GO (M.)
**** BARZAGA	CUEVA	** GOMEZ
BATAOIL	DALIPE	GONZAGA
BATOCABE	***** DALOG	***** GONZALES (A.P.)
** BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN	DAZA	GONZALES (A.D.)
* BELARO	DE JESUS	GONZALEZ
BELMONTE (F.)	** DE VENECIA	**** GORRICETA

GULLAS	OLIVAREZ	***** SINGSON
** HERNANDEZ	ONG (E.)	SUANSING (E.)
HERRERA-DY	ONG (H.)	SUANSING (H.)
HOFER	ORTEGA (P.)	***** SUAREZ
***** JALOSJOS	ORTEGA (V.N.)	SY-ALVARADO
JAVIER	** PACQUIAO	TAMBUNTING
***** KHO	PADUANO	TAN (A.)
***** KHONGHUN	PALMA	* TAN (M.)
LABADLABAD	PANCHO	TAN (S.)
LACSON	PANGANIBAN	TEJADA
LAGMAN	PANOTES	TEVES
***** LANETE	PAPANDAYAN	TIANGCO
LAOGAN	PICHAY	TING
LAZATIN	PIMENTEL	TINIO
* LEACHON	PINEDA	TOLENTINO
***** LEE	PLAZA	***** TREÑAS
** LIMKAICHONG	PRIMICIAS-AGABAS	TUGNA
LOBREGAT	QUIMBO	TUPAS
LOPEZ (B.)	***** RADAZA	***** TURABIN-HATAMAN
LOPEZ (C.)	RAMIREZ-SATO	* TY
** LOPEZ (M.L.)	RAMOS	* UMALI
* LOYOLA	RELAMPAGOS	UNABIA
MACAPAGAL-ARROYO	REVILLA	UNGAB
MACEDA	ROA-PUNO	UNICO
MADRONA	ROBES	* UY (J.)
MALAPITAN	***** ROCAMORA	* UY (R.)
MANALO	RODRIGUEZ (I.)	* UYBARRETA
* MANGAOANG	RODRIGUEZ (M.)	* VARGAS
* MANGUDADATU (S.)	** ROMAN	VARGAS-ALFONSO
MANGUDADATU (Z.)	ROMERO	VELARDE
MARCOLETA	* ROMUALDEZ	VELASCO
MARCOS	ROMUALDO	VELASCO-CATERA
***** MARIÑO	ROQUE (H.)	VELOSO
MARQUEZ	***** ROQUE (R.)	VERGARA
MARTINEZ	SACDALAN	* VILLAFUERTE
MATUGAS	SAGARBARRIA	VILLANUEVA
MELLANA	***** SAHALI	VILLARAZA-SUAREZ
MENDING	** SALCEDA	* VILLARICA
** MERCADO	SALIMBANGON	VILLARIN
***** MIRASOL	SALO	VIOLAGO
** MONTORO	SALON	** YAP (A.)
***** NAVA	SAMBAR	YAP (M.)
NIETO	***** SANDOVAL	YAP (V.)
NOEL	* SANTOS-RECTO	YU
NOGRALES (J.J.)	SARMIENTO (C.)	ZAMORA (M.C.)
NOGRALES (K.A.)	* SARMIENTO (E.M.)	ZAMORA (R.)
NOLASCO	SAVELLANO	ZARATE
***** NUÑEZ-MALANYAON	SEMA	ZUBIRI
***** OAMINAL	SIAO	
OCAMPO	SILVERIO	

* Appeared before/after Roll Call

** On official mission

*** Attended meetings of CA/HRET/Conference Committee/Committee meetings authorized by Committee on Rules

**** Officially notified the House, through the Secretariat, of their absence

***** Absent without notice

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