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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. _____

Introduced by Representative Rodante D. Marcoleta

A RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEES ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION AND PEOPLE'S PARTICIPATION TO CONDUCT A JOINT INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE INVOLVEMENT OF CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS (CSOs) IN THE IMPLEMENTATION AND OVERSIGHT OF THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4Ps)

WHEREAS, the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) is a human development program of the national government being implemented by the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) which seeks to provide social protection and welfare services to the poor families and alleviate their poverty.

WHEREAS, upon the creation of 4Ps in 2007, the institutional arrangement among government agencies in the implementation of 4Ps was formalized in the following : (1) DSWD Memorandum Circular No. 9, Series of 2007, *Creating the Ahon Pamilyang Pilipino (APP) Program National Advisory Committees and Defining Their Roles and Responsibilities*, (2) DSWD Administrative Order No. 16, Series of 2008, *Guidelines on the Implementation of Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps)*, and (3) Joint Memorandum Circular No. 1, Series of 2009, *Defining the Institutional Arrangements for the Implementation, Monitoring, and Evaluation of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps)*;

WHEREAS, the National Advisory Council of 4Ps was constituted as an adjunct institutional structure comprising representatives from the DSWD, National Anti-Poverty Commission (NAPC), National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), Department of Health (DoH), Department of Education (DepEd) and National Nutrition Council;

WHEREAS, in addition, national, regional and municipal advisory committees comprising the appropriate local government executives, counterpart national agency and community representatives are organized to allow wider local participation in the different stages of implementation of 4Ps;

WHEREAS, DSWD further engaged Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) through the platform of Good Governance and Poverty Reduction to facilitate public-private partnership (PPP) arrangements of cooperation in delivering basic social services to the poor, implementing development projects, and instituting transparency and accountability mechanisms against corruption;

WHEREAS, CSOs' engagement in 4Ps pursues the four-way "Bantay-Tulay-Gabay-Kaagapay" partnership initiatives whereby CSOs act as: (1) "Bantay" or watchdogs

against corruption in projects and activities; (2) "Tulay" or bridges that facilitate action-feedback-monitoring schemes; (3) "Gabay" or guides to extend technical assistance utilizing their expertise and social technologies; and (4) "Kaagapay" or partners in microenterprise networks and organizations for sustainable livelihood;

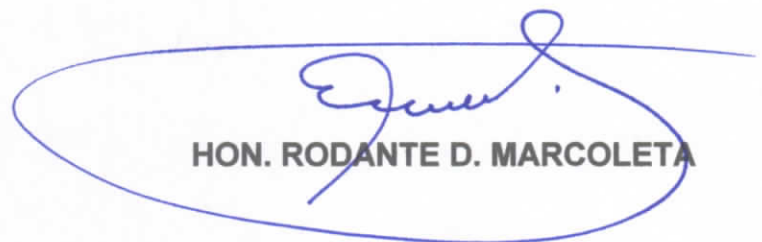
WHEREAS, on 09 October 2018, the Committees on Poverty Alleviation and People's Participation jointly sponsored a Forum to raise awareness and deepen understanding of civil society involvement in 4Ps;

WHEREAS, as an offshoot of said Forum, engagement opportunities CSOs in 4Ps must be efficiently harnessed to further invigorate the best practices in social accountability mechanisms of safeguarding the integrity of 4Ps;

WHEREAS, the Act institutionalizing the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) was enacted into Republic Act No. 11310 on 17 April 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Committees on Poverty Alleviation and People's Participation conduct a joint inquiry in aid of legislation on civil society involvement in the implementation and oversight of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps).

Adopted.



HON. RODANTE D. MARCOLETA