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Introduced by Honorable Deogracias Victor 'DV' B. Savellano

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**RESOLUTION**

**URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE PROCUREMENT OF AT LEAST TWENTY FIVE PERCENT (25%) OF THE ANNUAL SCHOOL DESKS AND ARM CHAIRS REQUIREMENT OF ALL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE AS PROVIDED FOR IN EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 879**

*WHEREAS*, Executive Order No. 879 was signed by former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo on May 14, 2010 which directed “the use of bamboo for at least twenty five (25%) percent of the desk and other furniture requirements of public elementary and secondary schools and prioritizing the use of bamboo in furniture, fixtures and other construction requirements of government facilities and allocating funds therefore and other purposes”;

*WHEREAS*, there are reports that are coming in that the Department of Education has been procuring such furniture, fixtures and other construction requirements of government facilities to comply with the 25% minimum requirement that may be made up of bamboo are not locally acquired but are foreign imported;

*WHEREAS*, if the accounts are true, it seems that these traders and suppliers have convinced the Department to use imported engineered bamboo instead of locally engineered bamboo;

*WHEREAS*, if this practice continues, then the purpose of Executive Order No.879 to aggressively promote the product development and market access of locally manufactured bamboo products to sustain the development of the bamboo industry will be defeated;

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED*, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE PROCUREMENT OF AT LEAST TWENTY FIVE PERCENT

(25%) OF THE ANNUAL SCHOOL DESKS AND ARMCHAIRS REQUIREMENT OF ALL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE AS PROVIDED FOR IN EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 879.

*Adopted,*



**DEOGRACIAS VICTOR 'DV' B. SAVELLANO**