

SENATE
P.S. RES. NO. 912

Introduced by Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE TO SUPPORT THE DECLARATION BY HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT BENIGNO S. AQUINO III OF DECEMBER 9 AS "NATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION DAY"

WHEREAS, on October 31, 2003, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the UN Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) which was signed on December 9, 2003 by 140 countries, including the Philippines, to promote and strengthen measures that will prevent and combat corruption more efficiently and effectively, as well as enhance integrity, accountability and proper management of public affairs and public property;

WHEREAS, in order to raise awareness of the evils of corruption and of the role of the Convention in combating and preventing it, the General Assembly designated December 9 as "International Anti-Corruption Day";

WHEREAS, to express the country's firm support to the purposes and objectives of UNCAC, His Excellency President Benigno S. Aquino III issued Proclamation No. 506, dated 16 November 2012, declaring December 9 as "National Anti - Corruption Day";

WHEREAS, mindful of the constitutional mandate that public office is a public trust and the nation's efforts to curb and fight corruption in government and society, the Philippine Senate concurred in the ratification of the UNCAC on November 6, 2006;

WHEREAS, to implement several provisions of the Convention, the Senate has introduced legislations, notably Senate Bill No. 2860 under Committee Report No. 47, otherwise known as the "Whistleblower Protection Act of 2011", which is now pending second reading, Senate Bill Nos. 2373, 2389, 150 and 472, all seeking to amend R.A. 3019 or the "Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act" and are now in the Committee, and further amendments to the Anti-Money Laundering Act;

WHEREAS, as the country commemorates the signing of the international accord against corruption, this Chamber reaffirms its commitment to work hand in hand with the government and society in the campaign to eliminate corruption:
Now, Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, To express the sense of the Senate to support the declaration by His Excellency President Benigno S. Aquino III of December 9 as "National Anti - Corruption Day"

Adopted,


JUAN PONCE ENRILE
Senate President