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## RESOLUTION

URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY ON THE PROMOTION AND UTILIZATION OF PHILIPPINE WIND ENERGY SYSTEM

Whereas, Wind Energy System is a renewable alternative energy resources that avoid the external or societal cost associated with conventional resource, namely, the trade deficit from importing foreign oil and other non-renewable fossil fuels, the health and environmental costs of pollution, and the cost of depleted resources;

Whereas, a wind resource analysis and mapping study conducted for the Philippine archipelago by the United States National Renewable Energy Laboratory (USNREL) using Geographic Information System (GIS) technology showed that many areas in the Philippines can be adapted with excellent wind resource for utility-scale applications, in particular the northern and central regions of the Philippines;

Whereas, in the country, the best wind resources can be found in several regions: the Batanes and Babuyan Islands north of Luzon; the northwest tip of Luzon (Ilocos Norte); the higher interior terrains of Luzon, Mindoro, Samar, Leyte, Panay, Negros, Cebu, Palawan, eastern Mindanao, and the adjacent isles; the well-exposed east-facing coastal locations from Northern Luzon southward to Samar; the wind corridors between Luzon and Mindoro (including Lubang Island), and between Mindoro and Panay (including the Semirara Islands extending to the Cuyo Islands);

Whereas, over 10,000 square-kilometers of windy land areas in the Philippines have been estimated to exist with good-to-excellent wind resource potential;

Whereas, numerous public opinion surveys have consistently shown that the public prefers wind and other renewable resource, also a source of clean, non-polluting electricity;

Whereas, wind is an intermittent electricity generator and does not provide power on an "as needed" basis, it has to compare favorably with the costs saved on fuel from fossil generators;

Whereas, wind energy system will support the power requirement of the Philippines: Now therefore be it resolved,

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved, directing the Senate Committee on Energy to conduct a comprehensive study on the promotion and utilization of Philippine Wind Energy System

Adopted,

KUUA MOZSZYSAY, JR.