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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY AND THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY ON THE ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN TOWARDS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9803 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FOOD DONATION ACT OF 2009 WITH THE END IN VIEW OF REDUCING FOOD WASTAGE AND EASING NATIONAL POVERTY BY DONATING WHOLESOME FOOD FOR CHARITABLE OBSERVANCES

WHEREAS, then President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, on 25 November 2009, signed into law Republic Act No. 9803 or the Food Donation Act of 2009 which aims to address the reduction of food wastage among restaurants and hotels by donating wholesome food for charitable purposes;


WHEREAS, Section 4 of the Food Donation Act, states that the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) will serve as the main coordinating agency together with the Philippine National Red Cross for the implementation of the Act;

WHEREAS, 5 years after the passage of the Food Donation Act, the law remains to be unfamiliar for most hotel and restaurant owners, making them reluctant to comply with the law;

WHEREAS, with the alarming number of Filipino families deprived of food, there is a need for a more aggressive information campaign for the full implementation of this significant law to address hunger among Filipinos;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines to direct the Senate Committee on Health and Demography and the Committee on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development to conduct an inquiry on the actions undertaken towards the implementation of Republic act No. 9803 otherwise known as the Food Donation Act of 2009 with the end in view of reducing food wastage and easing national poverty by donating wholesome food for charitable observances.

Adopted,


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