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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE DECLARATION, OR DELISTING OF NATIONAL CULTURAL TREASURES OR IMPORTANT CULTURAL PROPERTY BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CULTURAL MAPPING OF HISTORICAL SITES FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF THE NATION'S CULTURAL HERITAGE

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10066 or the National Cultural Heritage Act of 2009 aims to protect, preserve, conserve and promote the nation's cultural heritage, its property and histories, and the ethnicity of local communities;

WHEREAS, Section 14 (b), Article V of said Act states that "Local government units, through their cultural offices, shall likewise maintain an inventory of cultural property under its jurisdiction and shall furnish the Commission a copy of the same";

WHEREAS, in a news report the National Commission for Culture and the Arts lamented that not a single government unit has submitted its registry or map of cultural assets since the implementation of the law;

WHEREAS, it is the obligation of local government units to provide a survey or cultural map of all cultural properties in their respective localities and create a local registry which will be put together for the establishment of the Registry of Cultural Property Office;

WHEREAS, there is a need to look into this matter to ensure that the law is strictly implemented and to take into account all our cultural assets;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the Philippine Senate directs the Senate Committee on Education, Arts and Culture, Local Government and other appropriate Senate committees to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, into the declaration, or delisting of national cultural treasures or important cultural property by local government units for the purpose of cultural mapping of historical sites for the protection and conservation of the nation's cultural heritage.

EL "LITO" M. LAPI

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