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P.S. RESOLUTION NO. 748

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**RESOLUTION  
CONFIRMING THE WINNER OF THE GLOBAL CONCEPTUAL DESIGN COMPETITION  
FOR THE NEW BUILDING OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**Whereas**, finding a home that the Senate of the Philippines (Senate) can call its own has long been a standing dream of this institution, and plans of relocating and constructing a permanent Senate building has been proposed and considered as far back as the year 2000 during the Senate Presidency of Senator Aquilino "Nene" Pimentel, Jr.;

**Whereas**, through a survey conducted within the Senate Community on September 19, 2017 and PS Resolution No. 293, filed by Senator Sherwin Gatchalian and adopted by this body on November 21, 2017, the 18,320 square meter parcel of land owned by the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA) located at the Navy Village in Fort Bonifacio Taguig has been chosen as the site for the construction of the new Senate building;

**Whereas**, the Committee on Accounts was tasked to pursue the relocation and oversee the eventual construction of the new and permanent home of the Senate;

**Whereas**, on January 3, 2018 a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was executed between the Senate and the BCDA, which gave the Senate the option to purchase the property within a period of one (1) year and for a consideration of not more than P90,000.00 per square meter. On May 23, 2018, the Contract to Sell over the property was signed by Senate President Vicente C. Sotto III and BCDA President and CEO Vivencio B. Dizon.

**Whereas**, the Committee on Accounts has conducted due diligence by securing the necessary certifications from relevant agencies such as the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (PhiVolcs), the Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP); commissioning the conduct of geotechnical investigation; having the property appraised by the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP); and securing a certified true copy of the Transfer Certificate of Title (TCT) of the property from the Register of Deeds of the City of Taguig;

**Whereas**, to gather technically-competent firms to come up with conceptual designs for the Senate that is green, secure, functional, iconic, and would represent its dignity as an independent institution as well as the values of a democratic legislature, the Senate and the BCDA launched a Global Conceptual Design Competition for the new home of the Philippine Senate on February 14, 2018;

**Whereas**, 40 architectural firms, 24 foreign and 16 local, submitted their Expression of Interest (EOIs) to participate, of which, Top Five firms were chosen by the Selection Panel comprised of Senators and BCDA officials on March 23, 2018. The Top Five firms were: AECOM, Aidea Inc., Henning Larsen Architects, Leeser Architecture, and Pelli Clarke Pelli Architects;

**Whereas**, during the briefing of the Top Five firms held on April 4, 2018, Senators and Senate Executives articulated their vision for the new Senate Building and the needs they would want to be addressed by the envisioned structure;

**Whereas**, in the morning of May 21, 2018, the Final Five firms submitted their conceptual design proposals;

**Whereas**, technical experts from the Senate, the BCDA, the academe, and professional organizations from various fields, such as architecture, engineering, interior design, urban planning, green design, and cultural research, among others, conducted a review and technical evaluation of the final entries based on Identity, Sustainability, Functionality, and Feasibility. The technical report was submitted to the Committee on Accounts on May 23, 2018. The Technical Score of the technical experts comprises 40% of the overall score;

**Whereas**, as stakeholders of the envisioned facility, the Senate officials, employees and staff were given the opportunity to vote for their design choice on May 23, 2018. Their vote, or the People's Choice, comprises five percent (5%) of the overall score;

**Whereas**, after the presentations of the Top Five firms of their conceptual designs on May 28, 2018, the Senators, BCDA Chairman, and BCDA President ranked and voted for their preferred design. The votes of the Senators, BCDA Chairman, and BCDA President comprises the 55% Executive Vote;

**Whereas**, after careful review and evaluation by the Technical Evaluation Committee, BCDA officials, the Senators of the 17<sup>th</sup> Congress, and the Senate Community, the conceptual design of **AECOM** was declared as the winning design.

**Whereas**, today, listed on the *Fortune* 500 as one of America's largest companies, AECOM's 90,000 talented employees now serve clients in more than 150 countries around the world. Meanwhile, AECOM Philippines is a full service team of more than 200 professionals housed in new, state-of-the-art offices in Bonifacio Global City. They are a premier, fully integrated professional and technical services firm positioned to design, build, finance and operate infrastructure assets around the world for public- and private-sector clients in all of the key markets — including transportation, facilities, environmental, energy, oil and gas, water, high-rise buildings and government. **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**,

**AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to confirm **AECOM** as the winner in the Global Conceptual Design Competition for the New Home of the Philippine Senate.

Adopted,

  
PANFILO M. LACSON  
Senator

  
JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI  
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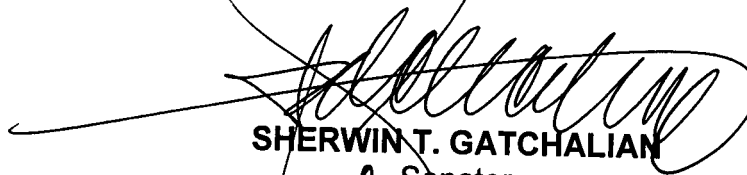
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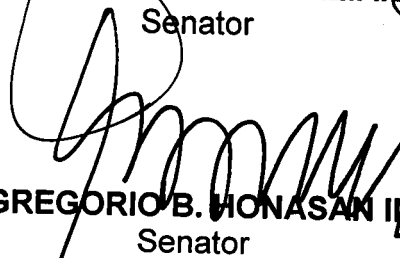
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