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## Introduced by **SENATOR RAFFY T. TULFO**

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE CONDITION OF THE FACILITIES IN THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH TO SUPPORT PATIENTS' RECOVERY WITH AN END IN VIEW ENSURING THAT PATIENTS RECEIVE PROPER CARE AND HOLDING THOSE RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTABLE

WHEREAS mental health is an essential part of public health, and it is the government's responsibility to provide sufficient care and support to those who suffer from mental illness;

WHEREAS, the National Center for Mental Health (NCMH) in the Philippines is the country's premier mental health institution, providing specialized care and treatment for those with mental health conditions;

WHEREAS there have been reports and concerns about the poor condition of NCMH's facilities, which may affect the recovery of patients and pose hazards to their health and safety;

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1 WHEREAS, it is imperative to conduct an inquiry to assess the condition of the 2 facilities in NCMH and ensure that patients receive proper care, treatment, and support, while holding those responsible accountable for any lapses or negligence; 3 4 5 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it is hereby resolved, to direct the Senate Committee on Health to conduct an inquiry in aid of 6 7 legislation on the condition of the facilities in the National Center for Mental Health to support the patients' recovery with an end in view ensuring that patients receive 8 proper care and holding those responsible accountable. 9 10 RESOLVED FURTHER, that the inquiry shall aim to: 11 a. Identify the root causes of the problems and lapses in the facilities and operations of NCMH; 12 b. Assess the quality of care, treatment, and support provided to 13 patients in NCMH; 14 c. Determine the extent of compliance with existing laws and 15 regulations related to mental health care services; 16 17 d. Identify the gaps in services and recommend measures to improve 18 the quality of care and support provided to patients; e. Hold accountable those responsible for any lapses, negligence, or 19 20 violations of laws, rules, and regulations governing mental health care 21 services. Adopted,