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Introduced by Senator Manny Villar

**RESOLUTION CONSTITUTING THE SENATE INTO A
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TO DELIBERATE UPON
MATTERS CONCERNING THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2006 AND ADOPTING THE
PROCEDURE THAT WILL GOVERN THE CONDUCT OF ITS
PROCEEDINGS**

WHEREAS, there is a felt need to immediately enact the General Appropriations Act for 2006;

WHEREAS, to ensure the timely enactment of the General Appropriations Act for 2006 there is need to constitute the Senate into a Committee of the Whole which shall immediately conduct hearings on the budget proposals;

WHEREAS, the Committee of the Whole will enable the Senate to thoroughly scrutinize the 2006 budget proposals and to immediately consider the General Appropriations Bill upon its transmittal from the House of Representatives; **NOW THEREFORE**, be it -

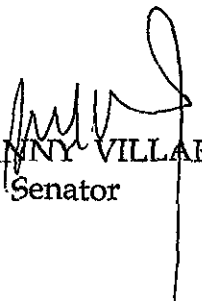
Resolved by the Senate, as it is hereby resolved, To constitute itself into a Committee of the Whole.

Resolved further, as it is hereby further resolved, To adopt, as it hereby adopts the following:

- I. All Senators shall be Members of the Committee of the Whole.
- II. At least one-third (1/3) of all the Members of the Committee of the Whole shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting hearings and acting on motions and other incidents related thereto.
- III. The Senate President as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole shall preside over its meetings. However, he may designate the Chairman of the Committee on Finance or any concerned Vice-Chair to preside over the meetings.
- IV. Unless otherwise decided by the Committee of the Whole, the meetings shall be held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- V. The report of the Committee of the Whole shall be approved by a majority of the Members and shall be submitted to the Senate.
- VI. To achieve an orderly conduct of business by the Committee of the Whole, the hearings to the extent possible shall be on the basis of the established sectoral clusters.

Adopted,


MANNY VILLAR
Senator