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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND ILLEGAL DRUGS TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE SEEMINGLY UNCONTROLLED PROLIFERATION OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IN THE COUNTRY WITH THE END VIEW OF FORMULATING LEGISLATION TO ARREST THE MENACE OF DRUG ABUSE IN THE COUNTRY

WHEREAS, it is embedded in the 1987 Constitution that every Filipino should enjoy the utmost protection from the State against all kinds of abuses threatening their very existence;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to safeguard the integrity of its territory and the well-being of its citizenry particularly the youth, from the harmful effects of dangerous drugs on their physical and mental well-being, and to defend the same against acts or omissions detrimental to their development and preservation;

WHEREAS, it is a gnawing reality that the Philippines, aside from being identified as a major transit of Illegal drugs in Asia, continues to be a major drop-point and consumer of illegal drugs of foreign drug traffickers;

WHEREAS, the Department of Education admitted in a 2004 report that there is a growing increase in numbers of students being hooked to drugs and the said figure is deemed to be in an alarming proportion;

WHEREAS, the recent raid in Mapayapa Compound, Barangay Sto. Tomas, Pasig City, clearly showed the inability of our local authorities to pursue strenuous efforts to curb the drug threat, despite the proximity of the said "shabu bazaar" which is just two blocks away from the city's seat of power;

WHEREAS, it is deplorable to note that around 59 out of 319 persons arrested were minors - - 11 identified as drug users, three pregnant teenagers and one four-month old - - and were being used by drug peddlers as runners and look-outs and were dependent of their existence from the illegal trade;

WHEREAS, it must be determined why the "shabu tiangge" in Pasig was left unchecked by the officials of the City of Pasig including the police officials of the Pasig City Police force including the Eastern Police District official, for a very long time until its operations were busted last week by the operatives of the Anti-Illegal Drugs Special Operations Task Force. Now, therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, Directing The Senate Committee On Public Order And Illegal Drugs To Investigate, In Aid Of Legislation, The Seemingly Uncontrolled Proliferation Of Illegal Drugs In The Country With The End View Of Formulating Legislation To Arrest The Menace of Drug Abuse In The Country.

Adopted,

RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.

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