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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 10

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION MAINTAINING THE PREVAILING SYSTEM OF ACCOUNTING AND LIQUIDATION OF THE RESPECTIVE BUDGETARY ALLOCATIONS OF EACH MEMBER OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AS CLASSIFIED AND CONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING RULES

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives, on June 7, 2011, and the Senate of the Philippines, on June 8, 2011, adopted Concurrent Resolution No. 5, entitled: "Concurrent Resolution confirming the authority conferred by law upon the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives to fix and determine the salaries, allowances and other benefits of officials and employees of the Senate and the Commission on Appointments, and the House of Representatives, respectively, and to determine and address the budgetary requirements of their respective personnel,

committees and service units as they may deem in the best interest of the service, subject to the limitations set by the Constitution and the General Appropriations Act”;

WHEREAS, Section 25(5), Article VI of the Constitution provides that the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives may, by law, be authorized to augment any item in the general appropriations law for their respective offices from savings in other items of their respective appropriations;

WHEREAS, Section 20, Article VI of the Constitution provides that the records and books of accounts of Congress shall be preserved and be open to the public in accordance with law, and such books shall be audited by the Commission on Audit which shall publish annually an itemized list of amounts paid to and expenses incurred for each Member;

WHEREAS, the Senate and the House of Representatives are fully cognizant of their duty and responsibility to account to the public for the use or expenditure of public funds appropriated under their respective budgetary allocations under the General Appropriations Act and have faithfully abided by the established auditing rules and regulations applicable to the legislature;

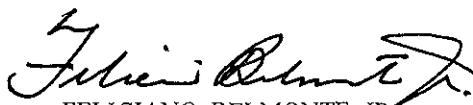
WHEREAS, in recognition of the delicate and unique nature of the functions, operational and organizational structures of the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Commission on Appointments and the Senate and House Electoral Tribunals, the Commission on Audit has consistently allowed the current system of liquidation by way of certification, duly signed by each Senator and Member of the House of Representatives, that such amounts allocated to each Member of Congress as part of their Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) were utilized or expended in the performance of their legislative functions;

WHEREAS, the prevailing procedure and system of liquidation of the various classifications of accounts covering the budgetary allocation for the legislature is in keeping with the nature of the performance by the Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives and their respective

committees of their legislative, oversight, and constituent functions and responsibilities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That the prevailing system of accounting and liquidation of the respective budgetary allocations of each Member of the Senate and the House of Representatives as classified and consistent with applicable accounting and auditing rules shall be maintained.

Adopted,



FELICIANO BELMONTE JR.

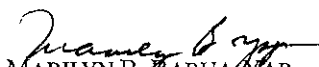
*Speaker of the House
of Representatives*




JUAN PONCE ENRILE

President of the Senate

This Concurrent Resolution was adopted by the Senate and the House of Representatives on August 24, 2011 and February 1, 2012, respectively.



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EMMA LIRIO REYES
Secretary of the Senate