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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Over the past several decades, the rate of mortality and morbidity due to road-traffic accidents has risen to very alarming levels that it has become a matter of great concern in many countries all over the world. According to the World Health Organization, every day 1,000 people under the age of 25 are killed in traffic accidents, 90 percent occurring in low- to middle-income countries mainly in Africa and Asia.

Dangerous driving behavior is becoming more common, and accidents due to this reckless behavior are increasing as well. This bill will help to preserve public safety and enhance traffic enforcement.*

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AN ACT REGULATING AGGRESSIVE DRIVING

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

- 3 SECTION 1. Aggressive Driving, Defined. A person is guilty of aggressive driving 4 when:
 - (A) He or she recklessly operates a motor vehicle on a public highway in a manner that creates a substantial risk of serious physical injury to another person;
 - (B) He or she operates a motor vehicle on a public highway while displaying a deadly weapon, dangerous instrument, or what reasonably appears to be a pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun, machine gun, or other firearm in such a manner as to place another person in reasonable fear of death or serious physical injury;
 - (C) He or she operates a motor vehicle on a public highway in such a manner as to place another person in reasonable fear of death or physical injuries; or
- (D) He or she tailgates, or drives on a road too closely behind another vehicle, such as less than the travel distance in two seconds or, equivalently, one vehicle-length for every 8 km/h (5 mph) of the current speed.
 - SECTION 2. *Penalty* Any act of aggressive driving as enumerated in Section 1 of this Act shall be punishable by a penalty of Five Thousand Pesos (\$\mathbb{P}\$5,000.00) for the first offense, Ten Thousand Pesos (\$\mathbb{P}\$10,000.00) for the second offense, and confiscation of the offender's driver's license and a fine of Fifty Thousand Pesos (\$\mathbb{P}\$50,000.00) upon the third and final offense.

- 1 SECTION 3. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Act or part thereof is
- 2 declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder of this Act or the provisions which are not
- 3 otherwise affected shall continue to be in full force and effect.
- 4 SECTION 4. Repealing Clause. All laws, decrees, orders, rules, and regulations, or
- 5 parts thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended, or
- 6 modified accordingly.
- 7 SECTION 5. Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days
- 8 following its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,