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Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago

1 RESOLUTION
2 DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID
3 OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT 80 MINORS AND 66 ADULTS WERE
4 NABBED AT TWO PARTIES IN MANDALUYONG CITY

5 WHEREAS, the Constitution, Article 2, Section 5 provides: "The maintenance of peace
6 and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and promotion of the general welfare are
7 essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy";

8 WHEREAS, *philstar.com* on 2 March 2015 reported that Mandaluyong Mayor Benjamin
9 Abalos, Jr. said that at least 146 persons, including 80 minors, were rounded up last 28 February
10 2015, at two open parties reportedly offering sex, drugs and alcohol;

11 WHEREAS, Abalos also reportedly said that he himself led the raid on the Bagong Ihaw
12 restaurant and the Buddha-kan bar on a Saturday night;

13 WHEREAS, Police Officer 3 Rizaldy Salvador of the city police's anti-vice unit
14 reportedly claimed that the raid, staged by 50 government workers, resulted in the arrest of three
15 organizers and two bouncers at Bagong Ihaw, and the owner, cashier, manager and organizer at
16 Buddha-kan;

17 WHEREAS, Salvador also reportedly claimed that they recovered dried marijuana leaves,
18 shabu and drug paraphernalia in the two establishments but none of those arrested carried drugs
19 or drug paraphernalia;

20 WHEREAS, Salvador allegedly said that of the 80 minors arrested, 52 of them ranged in
21 age from 11 to 15 years old;

1 WHEREAS, Abalos allegedly said that an informant tipped him off that girls and boys
2 paid ₱300 at the entrance of the two establishments to join the open parties;

3 WHEREAS, the report said that the arrested minors were brought to the city hall, where
4 Abalos turned them over to their parents after warning them that they would face charges in
5 court if they repeat the offense;

6 WHEREAS, Salvador reportedly claimed that they are preparing appropriate charges
7 against the eight organizers and establishment personnel, who are being held at the city police
8 anti-vice unit's detention facility;

9 WHEREAS, the number of minors attending these open parties is alarming;

10 WHEREAS, there is a need for the Senate and concerned agencies to look into the
11 proliferation and continued operation of establishments and party organizers offering sex, drugs
12 and alcohol to minors;

13 WHEREAS, there is also a need to investigate where the organizers acquired the drugs;

14 WHEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE PHILIPPINE SENATE to direct
15 the proper Senate committee to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the report that 80
16 minors and 66 adults were nabbed at two parties in Mandaluyong City.

Adopted,


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