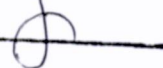




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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE TRUTH AND VERACITY OF THE ALLEGATION THAT CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICIALS HAD RECEIVED PAYOLA FROM CEBU DRUG LORD JEFFREY "JAGUAR" DIAZ, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING REMEDIAL LEGISLATION THERETO TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF ERRING PUBLIC OFFICIALS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL MANDATE THAT PUBLIC OFFICE IS A PUBLIC TRUST

Whereas, on 17 June 2016, Cebu top drug lord Jeffrey "@Jaguar" Diaz was killed in a police operation conducted in Las Piñas City;

Whereas, Reynaldo "Jumbo" C. Diaz, a first cousin and alleged right-hand man of *Jaguar*, executed a sworn affidavit and a supplemental affidavit dated 16 August 2016 and 23 November 2016, respectively detailing the alleged drug operation of @Jaguar in Cebu City and other municipalities/towns in the province of Cebu from 2003 to 2015;

Whereas, in the said affidavits, he narrated that @Jaguar initially obtained shabu from small time distributors around the area and eventually shifted to Peter Co as his main source when they met around 2007 and 2008. They allegedly used different couriers to deliver the shabu and deposit the money to different bank accounts. Per the affidavits, transactions would range from 50-100 kilos of shabu per month;

Whereas, the said affidavits likewise indicated that part of the drug operation was the giving of payola or protection money to certain public officials and politicians. Payola money allegedly paid to officials would range from Php 60,000 weekly to Php 5,000,000 which was given in relation to the 2016 elections;

Whereas, the affidavits further alleged that the police operation where @Jaguar was killed was only staged and was conducted to silence him because of his plan to reveal to the media all the public officials who received payola from him;

Whereas, the alleged involvement of public officials in drug operations and in the liquidation of drug lords is an alarming information that necessitates an immediate investigation to ensure that public officials, especially the members of the law enforcement are not used in the commission of illegal activities, and to come up with remedial legislation to ensure that public officials involved in illegal drug operations are made accountable to the full extent of the law; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,**

AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to direct as it hereby directs the Senate Committee on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the truth and veracity of such allegations that certain public officials and politicians did indeed receive payola from @Jaguar and come up with remedial measures to increase the accountability of public officials involved in drug operations.

Adopted,


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Senator