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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONSTITUTE THE CONGRESS COMPLEMENT FOR THE CREATION OF THE CONGRESS-PARLIAMENTARY BANGSAMORO FORUM AS PROVIDED FOR IN REPUBLIC ACT 11054 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ORGANIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION

WHEREAS, Section 1, Article VI of the 1987 Constitution states that the Congress of the Philippines consists of both the Senate and the House of Representatives, to wit:

xxx "The legislative power shall be vested in the Congress of the Philippines which shall consist of a Senate and a House of Representatives" xxx

WHEREAS, Section 18, Article X of the 1987 Constitution provides that autonomous region shall have legislative powers as may be provided in an organic act to be enacted by Congress;

WHEREAS, the Congress pursuant to the Constitution, enacted RA 11054 otherwise known as Bangsamoro Organic Law, which was ratified in the region on 19 January 2019 which provides, among others, legislative powers to the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region;

WHEREAS, Section 3, Article VI of Republic Act 11054 provides that *"There shall be created a Philippines Congress-Bangsamoro Parliament Forum for purposes of cooperation and coordination of legislative initiatives"*;

WHEREAS, given the power of the purse that Congress holds, there is a need for the legislative to guide and assist the interim government in ensuring that the funding requirements as provided in RA 11056 are appropriated and released by the national government;

WHEREAS, The Philippine Congress-Bangsamoro Parliament Forum is the proper venue to inquire and address concerns with regard to the implementation of RA 11054 in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao;

WHEREAS, during the 18th Congress, a concurrent resolution was adopted by both Houses assigning the Senate President, Senate President Pro Tempore, Senate Majority Leader, Senate Minority Leader, and other members the Senate President may designate, on the part of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House, a Deputy Speaker to be designated by the Speaker, House Majority Leader, and House Minority Leader, and others members of the House may designate, on the part of the House of Representatives, to represent Congress in the composition of the Congress-Parliamentary Bangsamoro Forum;

WHEREAS, following the newly-elected set of leadership and members of both chambers, there is a need to act on the constitution of the Congress counterpart in the Congress-Parliamentary Bangsamoro Forum for the 19th Congress;

WHEREAS, the constitution of the Congress-Parliamentary Bangsamoro Forum is deemed necessary in order to ensure the effective and efficient cooperation of the National Government and the Bangsamoro Government on key legislative initiatives. *Now, therefore, be it resolved,*

AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, urging the Senate and House of Representatives to constitute the Congress complement to the creation of the Congress-Parliamentary Bangsamoro Forum, as provided for in Republic Act 11054 otherwise known as The Organic Law for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region.

Adopted,


ROBINHOOD PADILLA
Senator