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A RESOLUTION
REQUESTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES TO
CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON ENSURING
AVIATION SAFETY TO AVOID FURTHER ACCIDENTS ON AIR TRAVEL

1 WHEREAS, a high number of airplane crashes have claimed numerous lives,
2 with thirty-five (35) aircraft crashes occurring from the years 2018 to 2022.

3 WHEREAS, on August 1, 2023, a Cessna 152 (C152) type training aircraft, with
4 a registration number RP-C8958, carrying two (2) passengers were reported missing
5 after departing from Laoag International Airport (LIA) bound for Tuguegarao Airport.

6 WHEREAS, similar incidents have occurred in the past year: a Cessna 340
7 (Caravan) aircraft went missing on February 18, 2023, in Camalig, Albay, and a Cessna
8 206 aircraft went missing on January 24, 2023, which was originally headed to
9 Maconacon Airport.

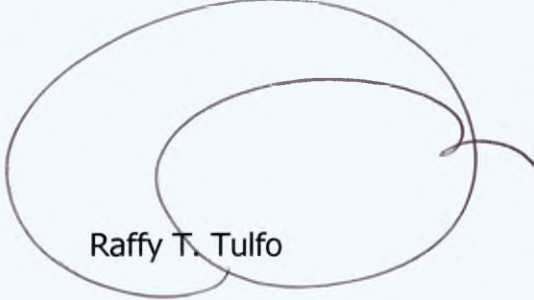
10 WHEREAS, aircraft owners or operators, more often than not, fail to conduct
11 regular preventive maintenance activities on their airplanes.

12 WHEREAS, the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP) lacks the
13 manpower to consistently monitor and suspend aircraft operations of those who are
14 non-compliant with the mandated maintenance schedule of their aircraft.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it is hereby resolved
16 to direct the Committee on Public Services to conduct a comprehensive investigation
17 in aid of legislation in order to strengthen the country's transport safety regulations
18 on aircrafts.

1 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Committee on Public Services consider the
2 creation of an independent national aviation safety board that will ensure strict
3 monitoring and implementation of the regular maintenance of aircraft in general
4 aviation to avoid life-threatening accidents.

Adopted,



Raffy T. Tulfo