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Introduced by Senator JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES, AND PUBLIC SERVICES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE REPORTED HAZARD IN THE LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT (LRT) LINE 2 WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENSURING THE PROVISION OF SAFE AND CONVENIENT MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO THE PUBLIC

WHEREAS, Light Rail Transit (LRT) Line 2 or Purple Line is a mass transit line which has eleven (11) stations that traverses five (5) cities in Metro Manila namely Pasig, Marikina, Quezon City, San Juan and Manila;

WHEREAS, Hanjin Heavy Industries & Construction Co. Ltd, the contractor of LRT 2 Purple Line, implemented and monitored the construction of the said transportation facility;

WHEREAS, LRT 2 started its operations on April 5, 2003 under the supervision of Light Rail Transit Authority (LRTA);

WHEREAS, LRT 2 is an important means of transportation for commuters with nearly three million (3,000,000) total ridership as of March 2005;

WHEREAS, it is reported that in year 2001, the contractor determined the "settling" of soil in one of the columns along Lambingan Bridge in Ramon Magsaysay Boulevard which was immediately remedied through "jet drougthing system";

WHEREAS, despite the fact that the said problem was already addressed, it is important to look into its cause and possible repercussions because given the number of commuters relying on the services of LRT 2, public safety should be of utmost priority;

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the national government, through LRTA, to provide an alternative means of transportation to the public in order to lessen traffic congestion on the road, reduce air pollution, and sustain a clean environment;

Now therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to direct the Senate Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises, and Public Services, to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, into the reported hazard in the Light Rail Transit (LRT) Line 2 with the end in view of ensuring the provision of safe and convenient means of transportation to the public.


JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA
Senator