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**SENATE**

P.S. RES. NO. 561

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Introduced by Senator Pangilinan

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**RESOLUTION**

**FOR THE SENATE TO INTERVENE IN THE SPECIAL CIVIL ACTION FOR CERTIORARI AND MANDAMUS FILED BY *SIGAW NG BAYAN* AND UNION OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES OF THE PHILIPPINES WITH THE SUPREME COURT.**

**WHEREAS**, Sigaw ng Bayan and Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines filed a special civil action for certiorari and mandamus (G.R. 129754) before the Supreme Court on September 1, 2006 to reverse the ruling of the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) rejecting their petition for a people's initiative to amend the Constitution;

**WHEREAS**, the petitioners in the subject case urged the High Tribunal to order the COMELEC to schedule a plebiscite on the proposed amendments to the Constitution within the next ninety (90) days;

**WHEREAS**, the Senate, as an institution, has actual and material interest in the subject matter of the petition and would be irreparably prejudiced if the Petition is granted; Now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, that the Senate intervene in the special civil action for certiorari and mandamus filed by *Sigaw ng Bayan* and *Union of Local Authorities* of the Philippines with the Supreme Court.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that Senator Joker P. Arroyo be authorized to represent the Senate together with the counsel-of-record in the intervention proceedings in the aforesaid case.

Adopted,

  
**FRANCIS N. PANGILINAN**  
Senator