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### RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEES ON AGRARIAN REFORM AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS TO INQUIRE, LOOK INTO AND INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE URGENT NEED OF THE COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM PROGRAM FOR RAPID NATIONAL INDUSTRIALIZATION TO COMPLETE THE PROGRAM'S IMPLEMENTATION AND ADDRESS THE ROOT CAUSES OF POVERTY AND STARVATION OF OUR PEOPLE WITH THE ULTIMATE END OF ACHIEVING SOCIAL JUSTICE AND ECONOMIC FREEDOM.

WHEREAS, Article XII Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution mandates that "The State shall promote industrialization and full employment based on sound agricultural development and agrarian reform, through industries that make full and efficient use of human and natural resources, and which are competitive in both domestic and foreign markets."

WHEREAS, the following discussions during the 1986 Constitutional Commission provide enlightenment toward the complete implementation of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program:

Ang pagpapatupad ng tunay na agrarian reform ay gagawin sa isang lehislatura kung saan mayroon itong phasing — mayroong phase 1, phase 2 at phase 3. At tunakol dito sa small landowner na invong pinangangambahan, ang pagpapatupad ng genuine agrarian reform sa small landowner ay sa huling bahagi kung saan ang industriyalisasyon ay maunlad na. Kung makikita niyang hindi na produktibong manatili pa siya sa lupa, mas magaling pang lumipat na siya sa industriya. (02 August 1986)

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... Ang ibig sabihin nito, kapanabay ng land reform ang pambansang industriyalisasyon. (05 August 1986)

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... The history of agrarian reform all over the world tells us that the only successful agrarian reforms were linked with industrialization. (08 August 1986)

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... Accelerated industrialization is the other major goal of agrarian reform in modern times. (08 August 1986);

WHEREAS, according to Philippine Institute for Development Studies' Policy Notes of December 2007, "An ADB (2005) report reiterates the relationship between economic development and industry growth. Two major reasons were given to justify why the manufacturing sector came to be referred to as 'the engine of growth' x x x the statements above highlight the primacy of manufacturing in *economic development*. Only the Philippines failed to increase the share of the manufacturing sector between 1980 and 2005, compared to Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand. It is no coincidence that the Philippines had the lowest economic growth rate during this period.";

WHEREAS, the widespread poverty and starvation among our people impels us to revive the mandates of House Joint Resolution No. 2, otherwise known as "The Magna of Social Justice and Economic Freedom", as recognized by Republic Act No. 3844 as amended by Republic Act No. 6389, otherwise known as the "Agricultural Reform Code" and Republic Act No. 6657 otherwise known as the "Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Law," particularly the paramount objective toward the sound and balanced development of the economy on a self-sustaining basis, with emphasis on basic and integrated industries that generate maximum benefits to society, the widespread application and development of science and technology by the people, the attainment of maximum employment, and the growth of per capita real income;

WHEREAS, the Senate Committee on Agrarian Reform has jurisdiction matters relating to agrarian reform, landed estates, and implementation of the agrarian land reform provisions of the Constitution; WHEREAS, the Senate Committee on Economic Affairs has jurisdiction on matters relating to economic planning and programming; the planning of domestic and foreign public indebtedness; general economic development; and coordination, regulation and diversification of industry and investments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved to direct the Committees on Economic Affairs and Agrarian Reform to inquire, look into and investigate, in aid of legislation, the urgent need of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program for rapid national industrialization to complete the program's implementation and address the root causes of poverty and starvation of our people with the ultimate end of achieving social justice and economic freedom.

ADOPTED,

GREGÓRIO B. HONASAN II Senator