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RESOLUTION

URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND FINANCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE FEASIBILITY OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES UTILIZING E-CARS FOR PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT, FOR SAVING FUEL, AND FOR USING "OUR OWN, PINOY-MADE" VEHICLES

WHEREAS, Article II Section 16 of the 1987 Constitution states that "The state shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature";

WHEREAS, in the inauguration of the President and the Vice-President of the Philippines last June 30, 2010, the Vice-President rode, not in a luxury car, but in an electric jeepney;

WHEREAS, electric jeepney or popularly known as e-jeepney was the brainchild of Green Renewable Independent Power Producers, Inc. ("GRIPP") in partnership with the Solar Electric Company in the Philippines and they are locally fabricated and assembled by the Philippine Utility Vehicle Inc. (PhUV);

WHEREAS, the e-jeepney was first launched in the streets of Makati on 1 July 2008, and since then, a growing number of schools, resorts and Local Government Units (LGUs) are using e-jeepneys;

WHEREAS, for years, jeepneys and other forms of road transport have been blamed for rising carbon emissions in the Philippines, particularly in metropolitan Manila;

WHEREAS, electric vehicle is not only cost-efficient but also environment-friendly and it minimizes contracting of respiratory diseases;

RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines, to urge the Senate Committees on Environment and Natural Resources, and Finance to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, into the feasibility of government agencies utilizing E-cars for protecting the environment, for saving fuel and for using "our own, pinoy-made" vehicles.

Adopted,


MANNY VILLAR