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RESOLUTION

URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND ILLEGAL DRUGS, TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RISE OF CAR THEFTS IN THE METRO, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF INTENSIFYING PUBLIC CAMPAIGNS ON DRIVERS' SAFETY AND STAMPING OUT NOTORIOUS CAR THEFT GROUPS OPERATING IN THE COUNTRY

Whereas, the daily record on car theft activities in the National Capital Region (NCR) for the last three quarters of this year shows a daily average of two to four incidents recorded in the streets of the metro;¹

Whereas, these stolen vehicles are often used to commit more serious crimes like kidnapping, robbery, murder and other related activities;²

Whereas, the Philippine National Police-Highway Patrol Group (PNP-HPG) recorded a total of 1,032 cars and vans stolen nationwide in 2009;

Whereas, the PNP-HPG also reported that from July to September this year, a total of 58 vehicles were stolen in Quezon City, 48 vehicles in Manila and 24 in Mandaluyong City;

Whereas, PNP-HPG has also identified the Toyota Fortuner, Nissan Urvan and Isuzu Crosswind as'the top three most stolen vehicles;³

Whereas, Metro Manila, Region 3 (Central Luzon) and Region 4A (Calabarzon) are the top three areas where car theft is rampant in the Philippines;

Whereas, the top three cities in Metro Manila where car thieves often strike are Quezon City, Manila and Makati: Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to urge the Senate Committee on Public Order and Illegal Drugs, to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the rise of car thefts in the metro, with the end in view of intensifying public campaigns on drivers' safety and stamping out notorious car theft groups operating in the country.

Adopted,

MANNY VILLAR

Senator

¹ Chief Supt Nicanor Bartolome, NCRPO director

² Philippine Daily Inquirer, November 13, 2010, Metro, page A23

³ Col Edwin Butacan, PNP-HPG police community relations and public information officer