

SENATE

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Introduced by Senator SONNY ANGARA

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MARAWI CITY REHABILITATION TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REHABILITATION EFFORTS WITH EMPHASIS ON FORMULATING POLICIES TO IMPROVE THE WELFARE OF INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS AND THE CAPABILITIES OF AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS

WHEREAS, the Maute extremist group initiated a terror campaign in the city of Marawi where vital government installations were forcibly taken over that ignited an armed conflict with government forces resulting to no less than 1,000 casualties and massive destruction to both public and private property within the city;

WHEREAS, there have been close to 77,900 families displaced due to the Marawi City siege, equivalent to 367,990 individuals, as of December 2017, and with 86 deaths in various evacuation centers recorded by the Department of Health (DOH);

WHEREAS, local authorities are in need of assistance to create a holistic rehabilitation program for the welfare of families who have been evacuated out of Marawi due to the conflict after requesting for a comprehensive evaluation of the needs of these displaced individuals;

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 5 of the Constitution provides that "The maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and the promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy";

WHEREAS, the National Government launched rehabilitation efforts through Administrative Order (AO) No. 3 establishing the Inter-Agency Task Force *Bangon Marawi* to prioritize the recovery, reconstruction, and rehabilitation of Marawi City following the projection of at least P50 Billion required for the restoration;

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines, through Senate Resolution No. 57, created the Special Committee on Marawi City Rehabilitation to assess and investigate the extent of damage to properties, infrastructure and facilities in Marawi City including other initiatives that are necessary for the post-disaster recovery of the affected community;

WHEREAS, considering the creation of the Special Committee on Marawi City Rehabilitation, a point of discussion must be included on addressing the urgent concerns of displaced families by improving the capability of local government units (LGU) to perform civic functions in extraordinary circumstances that, at the instant, would help lessen the heavy workload of uniformed personnel who are leading clearing operations and, in the long term, adequately prepare LGUs when similar conflicts arise;

WHEREAS, these rehabilitation efforts must focus beyond physical infrastructure to include the redevelopment of human capital by ensuring the provision of safe shelters, adequate jobs, sustainable livelihood, and improved well-being to all internally displaced individuals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate direct the Special Committee on Marawi City Rehabilitation to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the rehabilitation efforts with equal emphasis on formulating policies to improve the welfare of internally displaced persons and the capabilities of affected LGUs.

**Adopted,**



**SONNY ANGARA**