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SENATE
P. S. RESOLUTION NO. 19

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Introduced by Senator Francis N. Pangilinan

RESOLUTION
EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT SENATOR ANTONIO TRILLANES IV BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SESSIONS AND OTHER FUNCTIONS OF THE SENATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULE OF LAW

WHEREAS, Senator Antonio Trillanes IV won a seat in the Senate in the 2007 elections with more than 11 million votes;

WHEREAS, Senator Trillanes, who is currently detained in Camp Crame, is facing rebellion charges before the Makati Regional Trial Court and a military tribunal for his alleged involvement in the Oakwood Mutiny in 2003;

WHEREAS, despite a Makati Regional Trial Court's grant of bail, Senator Trillanes remains in jail while undergoing court martial proceedings in a military court for his alleged participation in the so-called Oakwood rebellion. There are no provisions for bail under military court rules.

WHEREAS, since his election to the senate in 2007, Senator Trillanes has not been allowed to attend and participate in sessions, hearings and meetings in the Senate and to discharge and fulfill his duties as an elected legislator of the country;

WHEREAS, since his detention in 2003, the prosecution of his cases has been slow and the detention of Senator Trillanes has been unnecessarily prolonged;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as it is hereby resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, to approve the Sense of the Senate Resolution to allow Senator Trillanes to attend sessions and meetings in the Senate and to discharge his duties as a duly elected senator of the country in accordance with the rule of law.

ADOPTED,

