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Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago

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RESOLUTION  
COMMENDING THE MUNICIPALITY OF GLAN, SARANGANI FOR THE  
EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT

WHEREAS, the Constitution, Article 2, Section 16 provides 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, Republic Act No. 9003, otherwise known as the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000, Section 2 (b) provides that "It is hereby declared the policy of the State to adopt a systematic, comprehensive and ecological solid waste management program which shall utilize environmentally-sound methods that maximize the utilization of valuable resources and encourage resource conservation and recovery;"

WHEREAS, Glan, Sarangani was recognized as the model municipality in the implementation of the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act;

WHEREAS, the townspeople, especially the market vendors, have been using old newspapers and banana leaves to wrap fish or meat brought by customers, instead of using plastic bags;

WHEREAS, other vendors use rattan splits to impale and hold fish or meat while rice retailers also use paper bags as containers for sold rice;

WHEREAS, they have been practicing this environmental-friendly way of using biodegradable materials in packing goods for almost a year;

WHEREAS, according to Mayor Enrique Yap, this commendable initiative entails a strong will to change; he personally talked and requested them to shift from using plastic bags to banana leaves, old newspapers and paper bags;

WHEREAS, the example set by the municipality of Glan, Sarangani should serve as a challenge to other local government units to start their own ecological solid waste management programs in their respective hometowns;

WHEREFORE, be it hereby resolved by the Philippine Senate, to commend the municipality of Glan, Sarangani for the effective implementation of the Solid Waste Management Act.

Adopted,

  
MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO