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GA RESOLUTION NO. 2017-04

CALLING FOR THE REPEAL OF LAWS TREATING THE METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (MMDA) AS A PROVINCE IN THE ALLOCATION OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE ALLOTMENT (IRA) AND PROPOSING INSTEAD THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FROM THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SOURCES FOR MMDA.

Whereas, Section 6 of Article X of the Constitution clearly provides that local governments shall have a just share in the national taxes which shall be automatically released to them,

Whereas, the 1991 Local Government Code (LGC) provides for the share of local governments in the national internal revenue taxes but did not provide for their respective share in all national taxes, including customs duties and fees;

Whereas, the Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) share of Provincial Governments shall be twenty-three percent (23%) in the entire national revenue taxes minus mandatory deductions (e.g. tobacco administration, COA, ARMM, etc.) which reduce the entire share to be divided among local government units (LGUs);

Whereas, R.A. No. 7924 creating the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) provides that the MMDA, to the prejudice of all Provincial Governments, shall be considered as a Province in the allocation of IRA share;

Whereas, considering that in the determination of the IRA share of each province, including MMDA, the population, land area, and equal sharing are factored in, the share of Provincial Governments are greatly reduced;

Whereas, the 1991 LGC seeks to define the share of LGUs in the national revenue taxes pursuant to Section 6 of Article X of the 1987 Constitution and to ensure equitable growth across regions;

Whereas, while MMDA deserves and requires financial support from the government, such support should not prejudice Provincial Governments which are mandated to bring about rural and countryside development;

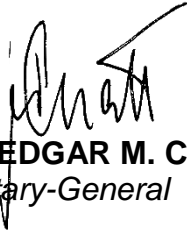
Therefore, be it resolved, as it is hereby resolved, that the League of Provinces of the Philippines (LPP) appeal to President Rodrigo R. Duterte and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) to revisit and repeal laws that reduce the 23% IRA share of Provincial Governments in the national revenue taxes;

Resolved, further, that the LPP call upon Congress to amend or modify R.A. No. 7924 creating the MMDA to provide funding from other sources which will not prejudice the share of LGUs in the national revenue taxes;

Resolved, finally, that the LPP furnish the Office of the President, the Senate President, the Speaker of the House, the DBM, and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) with a copy of this Resolution for their information and consideration.

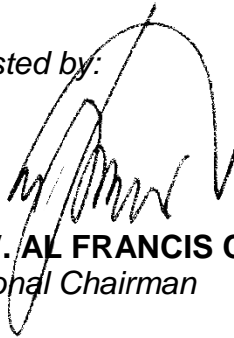
Approved this 15th day of March 2017 during the 3rd LPP General Assembly held at The Manila Hotel, City of Manila, Philippines.

Certified true and correct:



GOV. EDGAR M. CHATTO
Secretary-General

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