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12 **A RESOLUTION**

13 **URGING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE WORKFORCE TO PROVIDE LAW DEGREE**
14 **SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS FOR PROSPECTIVE LAWYER POLICEMEN IN STATE**
15 **UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES**
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17 **WHEREAS**, the Philippine National Police (PNP) shall enforce the law, prevent and
18 control crimes, maintain peace and order, and ensure public safety and internal
19 security with the active support of the community.
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21 **WHEREAS**, the PNP have been in the forefront of the current administration's
22 relentless war against drugs. As a consequence of this war, our law enforcers have
23 not only suffered casualties but are even faced with legal and administrative cases
24 brought forward by those targeted by the war on drugs. This effectively deters the
25 unhampered implementation of their mandate.
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27 **WHEREAS**, there are currently only Ninety-Five (95) lawyers in the entire PNP
28 providing legal assistance to our law enforcers. There are a total of roughly One
29 Hundred Seventy Thousand (170,000) active policemen in the PNP right now. Given
30 these numbers, it is evident that the legal arm of the Philippine National Police is
31 clearly inadequate to provide legal assistance that our policemen direly need.
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33 **WHEREAS**, in order to attain the PNP's mandate unhampered by fear of legal reprisal
34 and unwarranted impediments, law degree scholarship grants must be provided to
35 deserving and qualified policemen in state universities and colleges providing law
36 courses. Grantees shall be determined in accordance with the scholastic and
37 admission requirements mandated by said state universities and colleges.
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39 **WHEREAS**, these lawyer policemen will in turn provide legal services and assistance
40 to law enforcers in cases arising from the performance of their official duties under a
41 scholarship bond.
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43 **WHEREAS**, details of the law degree scholarship grants, study leave, stipends, and
44 bond are to be determined by the PNP in coordination with the state universities and

45 colleges, and subject to the admission and academic requirements of the latter,
46 together with other related government agencies concerned.

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48 **WHEREAS**, the PNP is strongly urged to allocate funds to achieve this end from their
49 budget as well as from savings of state universities and colleges throughout the
50 Philippines, and other possible sources deemed appropriate.

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52 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the House of Representatives to continue its
53 unwavering support to our Philippine National Police and for the latter to strengthen
54 its legal arm by providing law degree scholarship grants to our deserving and
55 qualified policemen in state universities and colleges.

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