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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. **25**
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Submitted by the Committee on Foreign Affairs on _____

Re: House Resolution No. **580**

Recommending its adoption, in substitution of House Resolution Nos. 78, 79, 159 and 185

Sponsor: Representative Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Foreign Affairs to which were referred **House Resolution No. 78**, introduced by Representatives Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon, entitled:

“RESOLUTION EXPRESSING GRATITUDE TO HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE OFFICIALS THAT SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED OUR CASE AGAINST THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ON THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA ISSUE IN THE PERMANENT COURT OF ARBITRATION”

House Resolution No. 79, introduced by Representative Luis Raymund “LRay” F. Villafuerte, Jr., entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE HOUSE IN COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT FOR THE FAVORABLE DECISION OF THE PERMANENT COURT OF ARBITRATION AND URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO PURSUE OUR FOREIGN POLICY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECISION AND TO RESUME CONSTRUCTIVE NEGOTIATIONS WITH CHINA AND THE OTHER CLAIMANT STATES NEAR THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA TO RESOLVE THE IMPASSE IN THIS REGION”

House Resolution No. 159, introduced by Representative Gary C. Alejano, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE MEMBERS OF THE PHILIPPINE DELEGATION TO THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA ARBITRATION CASE IN THE UNITED NATIONS PERMANENT COURT OF ARBITRATION”

and **House Resolution No. 185**, introduced by Representatives Wes Gatchalian and Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION COMMENDING ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PHILIPPINE DELEGATION TO ARBITRAL TRIBUNAL IN THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS FOR THE SUCCESFULL CONCLUSION ON THE CASE FILED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES"

has considered the same and recommends that the attached **House Resolution No. 580** entitled:

"RESOLUTION EXPRESSING GRATITUDE TO FORMER PRESIDENT BENIGNO S. AQUINO III AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE DELEGATION THAT SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED THE PHILIPPINE POSITION IN THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA ARBITRATION"

be adopted in substitution of House Resolution Nos. 78, 79, 159 and 185 with Representatives Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon, Luis Raymund "LRay" F. Villafuerte, Jr., Gary C. Alejano, Wes Gatchalian, Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Aniceto "John" III D. Bertiz, Maximo B. Rodriguez, Jr., Rodrigo A. Abellanosa, Cristal L. Bagatsing, Micaela S. Violago, Ana Cristina Siquian Go, Baby Aline Vargas-Alfonso, Leopoldo N. Bataoil, Strike B. Revilla, Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla, Mario Vittorio "Marvey" A. Mariño, Lorna C. Silverio, Aurora Enerio Cerilles, Virgilio S. Lacson, Ron P. Salo, Antonio L. Tinio, Vini Nola A. Ortega, Rose Marie "Baby" J. Arenas, Sandra Y. Eriguel, M.D., Bernadette "BH" Herrera-Dy, Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Romeo M. Acop, Sol Aragonese, Teodoro "Ted" G. Montoro, Henry S. Oaminal, Benhur L. Salimbangon, Vilma Santos-Recto, Horacio P. Suansing, Jr., Gus S. Tambunting and Sitti Djalía A. Turabin-Hataman as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,



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The Honorable Speaker
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