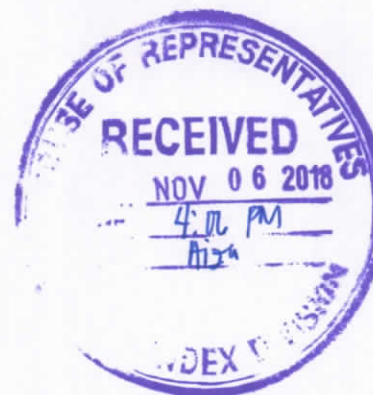


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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT AND COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE RECENT DEATH OF EMERITA GANNABAN, AN OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKER IN SAUDI ARABIA

WHEREAS, given the Filipino diasporas in various parts of the world seeking employment, the government has a moral and social obligation to ensure their safety and well-being in these countries where they found work even as domestic help;

WHEREAS, the reported death of a Kalinga Native, Emerita Gannaban, last 27 October 2018 due to poisoning is not the first case of tragic death in a foreign land by an overseas Filipino worker, but already among many cases in the long history of Filipino overseas employment;

WHEREAS, embassies and consulates of the country have emergency hotlines and contact help lines set up which should have been made respond to OFWs in crisis situations;

WHEREAS, policies, rules and regulations should be adopted where both parties, local and foreign recruitment agencies, are made liable and responsible for any untoward event that may happen to their deployed OFWs;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to direct the Committees in Labour and Employment and Overseas Filipino Workers of the House of Representatives to conduct an investigation, in aid of legislation, into the recent death of Emerita Gannaban, an overseas Filipino worker in Saudi Arabia.

Approved,


ALFRED VARGAS