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**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY AND OTHER
APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION,
ON THE EFFORTS BEING DONE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND
NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR) TO ENSURE THE ENFORCEMENT OF OUR
ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS ON OTHER TOURIST DESTINATIONS OF THE PHILIPPINES
WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING REGULATIONS THAT WILL ASCERTAIN THE
SUSTAINABILITY OF THESE TOURIST AREAS IN CONSONANCE WITH THE
PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION OF OUR ENVIRONMENT**

WHEREAS, it is the inherent duty of the State to ensure sustainability of economic activities through the concomitant protection of natural resources;

WHEREAS, the pristine waters and natural beauty of Boracay in the Municipality of Malay, Aklan was restored successfully through the rehabilitation efforts of the national government;

WHEREAS, there are other beaches that have become are tourist destinations for local and foreign tourist alike;

WHEREAS, it is important to preserve the natural beauty of all tourist destinations in the Philippine Islands, most especially in managing wastewater being produced by establishments, so as the state of these islands do not reach the previous sorry state of Boracay, which was comparable to a cesspool;

WHEREAS, while there have been efforts from the 17th Congress of the House of Representatives to review the implementation and enforcement of environmental laws which sought to replicate the undertakings made in Boracay by various government agencies, there is a need to re-examine the efforts done by the DENR and its subsequent results in ensuring that existing regulations are strictly complied with to safeguard the sustainability of Philippine tourist destinations in consonance with preserving and protecting our environment;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives that the Committee on Ecology and other appropriate committees to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the efforts being done by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to ensure the enforcement of our environmental laws on other tourist destinations of the Philippines with the end in view of enacting regulations that will ascertain the sustainability of these tourist areas in consonance with the preservation and protection of our environment.

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