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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 230



Introduced by **Representative Manuel Luis T. Lopez**

A RESOLUTION

URGING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO REVIEW THE RESOLUTION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS VICTIMS CLAIMS BOARD DENYING THE CLAIM OF DIORICA FRANCISCO LUMBAD AND OTHER WORKERS OF LA TONDEÑA DISTILLERS, INC. FOR ABUSES COMMITTED DURING MARTIAL LAW

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Article II Section 11 of the 1987 Constitution provides that “The State values
2 the dignity of every human person and guarantees full respect for human rights”;
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4 **WHEREAS**, Section 2 of Republic Act No. 10368 (“R.A. 10368”) states that “it is hereby
5 declared the policy of the State to recognize the heroism and sacrifices of all Filipinos who
6 were victims of summary execution, torture, enforced or involuntary disappearance and
7 other gross human rights violations committed during the regime of former President
8 Ferdinand E. Marcos covering the period from September 21, 1972 to February 25, 1986
9 and restore the victims’ honor and dignity. The State hereby acknowledges its moral and
10 legal obligation to recognize and/or provide reparation to said victims and/or their
11 families for the deaths, injuries, sufferings, deprivations and damages they suffered under
12 the Marcos regime. Similarly, it is the obligation of the State to acknowledge the sufferings
13 and damages inflicted upon persons whose properties or businesses were forcibly taken
14 over, sequestered or used, or those whose professions were damaged and/or impaired,
15 or those whose freedom of movement was restricted, and/or such other victims of the
16 violations of the Bill of Rights”;
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18 **WHEREAS**, in accordance with R.A. 10368, Diorica Francisco Lumbad filed a claim with
19 the Human Rights Victims’ Claims Board (“HRVCB”) for reparation and recognition on
20 October 17, 2014 for Arbitrary Detention”;
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22 **WHEREAS**, despite the evidence and other documents presented, the HRVCB rendered
23 an adverse decision and said that there was no merit in the claims of Lumbad;
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25 **WHEREAS**, on December 03, 2018, Lumbad and 85 other former employees of La
26 Tondeña Distillers Inc. approached this representation with a signed petition seeking a
27 further review of the denial of their claim;
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29 **WHEREAS**, there is a need to further review this Resolution of the HRVCB and ensure
30 that there is a thorough investigation of facts and records that had been conducted;
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1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the House of Representatives of the
2 Philippines, to direct the House Committee on Human Rights to conduct an inquiry in aid
3 of legislation, to call on the appropriate government agencies and stakeholders involved
4 to conduct a detailed review on the claims made to the HRVCB as well as the
5 corresponding Resolutions it has rendered.

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7 Adopted,



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