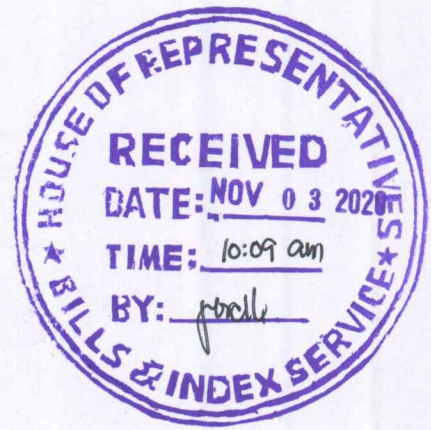


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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1326



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**A RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE TO COME UP WITH A COMPREHENSIVE BICOL REHABILITATION PROGRAM, IN RESPONSE TO THE HEAVY DEVASTATION BY SUPER TYPHOON ROLLY, THAT INCLUDES PROVIDING IMMEDIATE RELIEF, RECOVERY AND RECONSTRUCTION FOR REBUILDING A BETTER BICOL**

**WHEREAS**, super typhoon Rolly is the strongest typhoon in the world in 2020 and has made landfall in the Philippines through the Bicol Region;

**WHEREAS**, Rolly explosively intensified over the Philippine Sea and became a category-5 equivalent super typhoon with 10-minute sustained winds of 220 km/h (140 mph), 1-minute sustained winds of 315 km/h (195 mph), and a minimum central pressure of 905 hPa (mbar; 26.72 inHg);

**WHEREAS**, it made its landfall in the Bicol Region as an extremely powerful typhoon and one of the strongest ever recorded in the history of the world;

**WHEREAS**, there were widespread power outages as well as damaged power and transmission lines in the Bicol Region as 10 electric cooperatives reported a loss of power caused by toppled electric posts and damaged transmission lines;

**WHEREAS**, over 390,000 individuals have been displaced in the Bicol region out of 1 million evacuated, and some evacuation centers have lost their roofs from the force of the wind;

**WHEREAS**, a major issue was that many existing evacuation centers, usually basketball courts and multi-purpose halls, were already being used by victims of the COVID-19 pandemic;

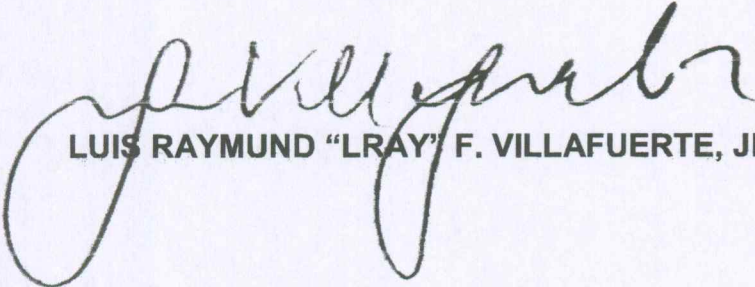
**WHEREAS**, Rolly damaged billions worth of crops and agricultural infrastructures in its wake and damaged hundreds of thousands of hectares of agricultural crops, based on estimates;

**WHEREAS**, only a week prior to Rolly's landfall typhoon Quinta flooded low-lying areas and forced thousands of people into emergency shelters in Southern Luzon;

**WHEREAS**, these typhoons have aggravated the difficulties we are facing with the adverse economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic;

**RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**, to strongly urge President Rodrigo Roa Duterte to come up with a comprehensive Bicol Rehabilitation Program, in response to the heavy devastation by Super Typhoon Rolly, that includes providing immediate relief, recovery and reconstruction for rebuilding a better Bicol.

*Adopted,*



**LUIS RAYMUND "LRAY" F. VILLAFUERTE, JR.**