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A RESOLUTION
URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (DA) AND THE
DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DILG) TO
DEPLOY MORE KADIWA ROLLING STORES THROUGH ITS KADIWA NI
ANI AT KITA PROGRAM, IN LIGHT OF THE RECENT PRICE INCREASE
OF BASIC COMMODITIES IN THE COUNTRY

WHEREAS, in January 2021, the Department of Agriculture Price
Monitoring\(^1\) has recorded price increases in basic commodities such as
vegetables and meat by as much as 66 percent from last month as supplies
across all food commodities have tightened for different reasons\(^2\);

WHEREAS, this increase in prices of basic commodities has burdened
many Filipino families still struggling to put food on their tables amid the
social and economic challenges brought about by the ongoing coronavirus
pandemic;

WHEREAS, in its efforts to address this problem on food security and
stable prices, the Department of Agriculture launched the Kadiwa ni Ani at
Kita Program on September 13, 2019 with goals of intensifying the
realization of the DA’s battle cry of bountiful harvest and prosperous
farmers and fisherfolk;

WHEREAS, Kadiwa is a market system which sells major agricultural
goods at reasonably low prices to help poor Filipino households, while also
greatly supporting and linking farmers and fisherfolk to the market;\(^3\)

WHEREAS, the Kadiwa Program is a collaborative project of the DA, the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), and Food Terminal Inc. (FTI), and is available in three variants – Kadiwa on Wheels, Kadiwa Retail, and Kadiwa Online – all tailored to fit the demands of consumers’ needs and requirements;

WHEREAS, in April 2020, the Department of Agriculture has reported that the “Kadiwa ni Ani at Kita” direct marketing program has successfully benefited more than 12,000 farmers and consumers and is garnering popular support from various local government units, barangays, and homeowners’ associations in Metro Manila and major urban centers⁴;

WHEREAS, recognizing the importance and success of the Kadiwa Program to maintain and stabilize prices, make accessible many affordable basic commodities, and support farmers and fisherfolk, the government must ensure full support for this program and the deployment of additional Kadiwa Rolling Stores in areas determined to be in need of such services;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, to urge the Department of Agriculture (DA) and the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) to deploy more Kadiwa Rolling Stores through its Kadiwa ni Ani at Kita Program, in light of the recent price increase of basic commodities in the country

Adopted,

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