WHEREAS, it is State policy in recognizing the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being and that it shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs¹;

WHEREAS, further, it is also State policy to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them²;

WHEREAS, Olivia Isabel Rodrigo, popularly known as Olivia Rodrigo, is an American teen pop star with Filipino descent;

WHEREAS, at the age of eighteen (18), her debut album entitled “Sour” and her songs entitled “Drivers License” and “Good 4 U” have reached the number one spot in multiple countries nationwide;

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2021, Olivia Rodrigo was invited to the White House where she met with President of the United States of America Joe Biden and his chief COVID-19 medical adviser, Dr. Anthony Fauci;

WHEREAS, using her platform, Olivia Rodrigo helped encourage young people to get vaccinated against COVID-19, and has recorded series of videos to promote the importance of such;

WHEREAS, this was in response to reports in the United States that youth vaccination rates continue to lag significantly behind the general American population;

WHEREAS, in these times, it is important for all people, both young and old, to get vaccinated as a way to keep safe and to ensure a healthy lifestyle

WHEREAS, this House echoes the words of Olivia Rodrigo in saying that “it doesn’t matter if you’re young and healthy, getting the vaccine is about protecting yourself, your friends and your family, let’s get vaccinated!”;

² 1987 Constitution. Art. II, Sec. 15.
WHEREAS, we laud the efforts of Olivia Rodrigo in urging the youth, not only of the United States, but worldwide, to get vaccinated. By setting an example, Olivia Rodrigo exemplifies what “Pag-Asa ng Bayan” ought to be in these times;

WHEREAS, indeed, vaccines are “good 4 u” and that Olivia Rodrigo’s efforts for young people to get vaccinated is worthy of applause, and that the youth worldwide should get the vaccine as soon as it is available to them;

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the members of the House of Representatives commend the efforts of Filipino-American teen pop star Olivia Rodrigo urging the youth to get vaccinated against COVID-19, and enjoin all young people to do the same.

Adopted,

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