

## Republic of the Philippines

## House of Representatives

Quezon City, Metro Manila

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 100



Introduced by Representatives Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, Manuel Jose "Mannix" M. Dalipe and Marcelino C. Libanan

## RESOLUTION

CERTIFYING TO THE EXISTENCE OF A VACANCY IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, PARTICULARLY THE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE AND CALLING ON THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS TO FILL THE VACANCY THROUGH A SPECIAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, there is an existing vacancy in the House of Representatives, particularly the Representative for the Seventh Legislative District of the Province of Cavite due to the appointment of Honorable Jesus Crispin C. Remulla as the Secretary of Justice on July 1, 2022;

WHEREAS, the vacancy has left the constituency of the aforementioned legislative district without representation in the House of Representatives of the Congress of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Section 9, Article VI (Legislative Department) of the Constitution provides that "In case of vacancy in the Senate or in the House of Representatives, a special election may be called to fill such vacancy in the manner prescribed by law, but the Senator or Member of the House of Representatives thus elected shall serve only for the unexpired term.";

WHEREAS, the law on the matter, Section 1 of Republic Act No. 6645, entitled "An Act Prescribing the Manner of Filling A Vacancy in the Congress of the Philippines," provides in part that "In case a vacancy arises in the Senate

at least eighteen (18) months or in the House of Representatives at least (1) year before the next regular election for Members of Congress, the Commission on Elections, upon receipt of a resolution of the Senate or the House of Representatives, as the case may be, certifying to the existence of such vacancy and calling for a special election, shall hold a special election to fill such vacancy. xxx";

WHEREAS, paragraph 2 of Section 4 of Republic Act No. 7166, entitled "An Act Providing for Synchronized National and Local Elections and for Electoral Reforms, Authorizing Appropriations Therefor, and for Other Purposes" also provides that in case a permanent vacancy shall occur in the Senate or House of Representatives at least one year before the expiration of the term, the Commission on Elections shall call and hold a special election to fill the vacancy not earlier than sixty (60) days nor longer than ninety (90) days after the occurrence of the vacancy: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, To certify to the existence of a vacancy in the House of Representatives, particularly the Representative for the Seventh Legislative District of the Province of Cavite and calling on the Commission on Elections to fill the vacancy through a special election.

**RESOLVED, FURTHER,** That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the Commission on Elections.

Adopted,

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