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RESOLUTION NO. 75

RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION
AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY, AND THE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, IN CONSULTATION
WITH THE MAJOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS
COMPANIES, TO CREATE A TASK FORCE THAT
SHALL FORMULATE A HOME-BASED VIRTUAL
EDUCATION SYSTEM FOR K TO 12 TEACHERS AND
STUDENTS TO BE IMPLEMENTED DURING THE
STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on 9 March 2020, President Rodrigo Roa
Duterte had declared a state of public health emergency
throughout the country to protect the health and safety of the
Filipino people and contain the transmission of
Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in the country;
WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases, the President suspended classes at all levels for the duration of the state of public health emergency;

WHEREAS, the school calendar for school year 2020-2021 has been disrupted by the imposition of community quarantine measures;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for the government to find ways and means to resume the education of school learners without exposing teachers, school administrators and staff, and students to the danger of contracting COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the government should endeavor to partner with major telecommunications companies in the country for the provision of subsidized or free internet bandwidth for the use of teachers and students as part of the companies’ corporate social responsibility;

WHEREAS, the major telecommunications companies also have the capability to assist in designing an alternative, web-based learning system that is accessible from home, including the appropriate computing platforms and applications: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the House of Representatives, To urge the Department of Education (DepEd), Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) and the Department of Health (DOH), in consultation with the major telecommunications companies, to create a task force that shall formulate a home-based virtual education system for K to 12 teachers and students for implementation during the state of public health emergency.

Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the DepEd, DICT and the DOH.

Adopted,

ALAN PETER “COMPANERÓ” S. CAYETANO
Speaker

This Resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives on August 11, 2020.

JOSE LUIS G. MONTALES
Secretary General
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