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RESOLUTION

**URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, FOR POSSIBLE REVOCATION OF FRANCHISE OF BUS COMPANIES FOR DEFYING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS ATTACHED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY THEREBY CAUSING CRITICAL INCONVENIENCE TO THE COMMUTING PUBLIC**

**WHEREAS**, Article 12, Section 6 of the Constitution expressly provides that "The use of property bears a social function, and all economic agents shall contribute to the common good. Individuals and private groups, including corporations, cooperatives, and similar collective organization, shall have the right to own, establish, and operate economic enterprises, subject to the duty of the State to promote distributive justice and to intervene when the common good so demands";

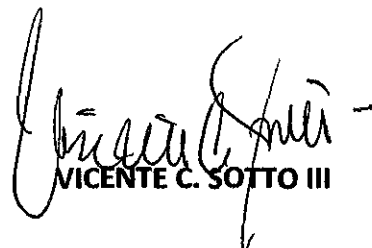
**WHEREAS**, the number-coding scheme, formally known as *Unified Vehicular Volume Reduction Program* (UVVRP), more mistakenly referred to as the Color Coding Scheme, is a traffic management program of the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) aimed to reduce vehicular traffic in Metro Manila most especially along Epifanio Delos Santos Avenue or EDSA;

**WHEREAS**, last November 15, 2010, the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) started the full re-implementation of the said policy, bus operators and owners allegedly staged a strike to show their disapproval of the aforesaid program;

**WHEREAS**, thousands of commuters were stranded as a result of the alleged strike which prompted the Department of Education (DepEd) to suspend afternoon classes in all public and private elementary and high schools in San Juan and Quezon City, two of the areas hardest hit by the mass action;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to urge the Senate Committee on Public Service and other appropriate committees to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, for possible revocation of franchise of bus companies for defying the rules and regulations attached to a certificate of public convenience and necessity thereby causing critical inconvenience to the commuting public.

Adopted,

  
VICENTE C. SOTTO III