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RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDING THE REGIONAL TRIPARTITE WAGES AND PRODUCTIVITY BOARDS TO ACT WITH DISPATCH THE DEMAND OF WORKERS FOR WAGE INCREASE AFFORDING THEM TO COPE WITH RISING COSTS OF LIVING IN ACCORDANCE WITH WAGE RATIONALIZATION ACT (REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6727)

WHEREAS, Section 18, Article II of the 1987 Constitution states: "The state affirms labor as a primary social economic force. It shall protect the rights of workers and promote their welfare";

WHEREAS, the Wage Rationalization Act (Republic Act No. 6727) mandates the Regional Tripartite Wages and Productivity Boards (RTWPBs), motu proprio or through petitions, to determine and fix minimum wages and to undertake studies and researches and surveys necessary for the attainment of their functions, objectives and programs;

WHEREAS, due to rising costs of petroleum products, transport fares, and basic goods and services, workers find it difficult to cope with the increasing prices and cost of living, hence, their demand for wage increase;

WHEREAS, although the Regional Tripartite Wages and Productivity Boards issued Wage Orders increasing the minimum wages in a year or less, these increases are overtaken by the unabated increases in the basic goods and services;

WHEREAS, in order to protect our workers from difficulties brought by both political and economic crises worldwide, there is a need for the Regional Tripartite Wages and Productivity Boards to convene at the soonest possible time to determine if an immediate salary adjustment is required;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines to recommending the Regional Tripartite Wages and Productivity Boards to act with dispatch the demand of workers for wage increase affording to cope with rising costs of living in accordance with Wage Rationalization Act (Republic Act No. 6727).

Adopted,

MAŃŇY VÍLLAR