

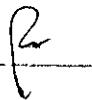
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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES IN THE SENATE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, *IN AID OF LEGISLATION*, INTO THE SAFETY STANDARDS AND PRACTICES BEING IMPLEMENTED IN THE COUNTRY'S MOTORCYCLE SPORTS EVENTS WITH THE END IN VIEW OF WARRANTING THE SAFETY OF OUR MOTORSPORTS RACERS AND ENTHUSIASTS.

WHEREAS, on 15 May 2011, Filipino motorcycle racing champion and the country's fastest man on two wheels, Maico Greg Buncio, died after sustaining serious injuries from a crash during the UKB qualifier race the day before in the Clark Speedway Racing Circuit in Clarkfield, Pampanga;

WHEREAS, motorcycle racing sensation Maico Greg Buncio is this year's Golden Wheel Awards' Driver of the Year and was chosen in April 2011 by Team Suzuki Pilipinas to be a representative of the Philippines in the 2011 Asian Road Racing Championship;

WHEREAS, Maico Greg Buncio was reportedly speeding at 220kph when his motor bike slipped into loose gravel on the shoulder of the speedway and was thrown off 100 meters from his bike, crashing into an unfinished barrier in the speedway where a protruding steel bar punctured his body and damaged his kidney and liver causing serious damage and hemorrhage that led to the racer's demise;

WHEREAS, the organizers of the UKB race and owner of the Clark Speedway Racing Circuit claimed, in a statement, that the event was sanctioned by the National Motorcycle Sports and Safety Association, the country's governing sports organization for motorcycle sports, and that the said body would not have allowed the competition to take place if the track was not fit for the event;

WHEREAS, with this unfortunate circumstance, fans of motor sports began raising issues of negligence and call for vigilance for riders' safety from substandard race tracks/circuits and practices;

WHEREAS, there is a need to review and investigate this unfortunate incident in order to institute legislative measures to address this issue and give justice to the tragic death of Maico Greg Buncio;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved to direct the appropriate committees in the Senate to conduct an inquiry, in Aid of Legislation, into the safety standards and practices being implemented in the country's motorcycle sports events with the end in view of warranting the safety of our motorsports racers and enthusiasts.

Adopted,


MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
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