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Introduced by: Senator Paolo Benigno "Bam" A. Aquino IV

**A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO  
CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF POST-  
DISASTER RECOVERY IN THE LAWIN-RAVAGED CAGAYAN PROVINCE**

**WHEREAS**, national laws have been enacted to strengthen disaster risk reduction and management in the country, such as the Philippine Risk Reduction and Management Act (Republic Act No. 10121) and the Risk Reduction and Preparedness Equipment Protection Act (Republic Act No. 10344). Recognizing the vulnerability of the country to disasters, the government sought to adopt a disaster risk reduction and management approach that is holistic, comprehensive, integrated, and proactive in lessening the environmental and socio-economic impact of disasters, and promote the involvement and participation of all sectors and all stakeholders concerned, at all levels, especially the local community;

**WHEREAS**, super typhoon Lawin made landfall in the Philippines last October 19, 2016, affecting areas and communities in Cagayan, Isabela, Kalinga, Apayao, Northern Abra and Ilocos Norte. According to PAG-ASA, typhoon Lawin was the strongest cyclone to hit the Philippines in three years;

**WHEREAS**, data from the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (PDRRMC) of Cagayan province showed that typhoon Lawin left PhP8.5 billion in damages to agriculture and infrastructure in the province alone.<sup>1</sup> A total of fifteen (15) people were reported dead in the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) and Cagayan Valley. Typhoon Lawin also displaced a total of 143,531 people or 28,710 families in Ilocos Region, Cagayan Valley, Central Luzon, CALABARZON and CAR;<sup>2</sup>

**WHEREAS**, according to news reports, Cagayan received humanitarian assistance from various government and non-government organizations and stakeholders, including international and local agencies, and private groups and individuals. The Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (RDRRMC) in Region II received P6.1 million as assistance for the typhoon victims. Registered private enterprises in the Cagayan Economic Zone Authority (CEZA) extended financial aid to victims in Northern Cagayan and also committed to bring more help to affected

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.rappler.com/nation/150899-cagayan-infrastructure-agricultural-damage-lawin>

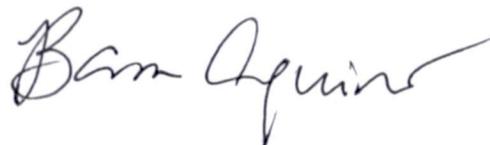
<sup>2</sup> <http://manilastandardtoday.com/news/-main-stories/top-stories/219539/15-killed-by-typhoon-lawin-ndrrmc.html>

families in coastal communities. According to Cagayan Governor Mamba, the province continued to receive help from various government agencies;<sup>3</sup>

**WHEREAS**, the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), with its regional and provincial counterpart bodies, its member agencies, the concerned local government units and non-government partners must properly coordinate and act to ensure the fast, transparent, efficient and effective delivery of humanitarian aid and public assistance to the typhoon victims. This will lead to the recovery and the restoration of the livelihood, welfare and well-being of the affected families, particularly the children and the youth;

**RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Philippine Senate to direct the appropriate Senate Committees to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the status of post-disaster recovery in the Lawin-ravaged Cagayan province.

Adopted,



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<sup>3</sup> <http://www.manilatimes.net/aid-rains-lawin-victims-cagayan/296371/>;  
<http://www.philstar.com/nation/2016/10/30/1638546/aid-pours-lawin-affected-areas>