



**RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE EXTENSION OF THE VALIDITY OF THE FY-2020 NDRRM FUND AND THE EXPANSION OF THE FIFTEEN (15) BILLION PESOS AUGMENTATION TO NDRRM FUND TO BE USED FOR DISASTER REHABILITATION AND RECOVERY**

**NDRRMC RESOLUTION NO. 06, s. 2020**

**WHEREAS**, under Section 16, Article II of the Philippine Constitution, it is declared the State's policy to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

**WHEREAS**, Section 2(a) of Republic Act (RA) No. 10121 provides that it shall be the policy of the state to uphold the people's constitutional rights to life and property by addressing the root causes of vulnerabilities to disasters, strengthening the country's institutional capacity for disaster risk reduction and management and building the resilience of local communities to disasters including climate change impacts;

**WHEREAS**, Section 2(p) of RA No. 10121 provides that it shall be the policy of the State to provide maximum care, assistance and services to individuals and families affected by disaster, implement emergency rehabilitation projects to lessen the impact of disaster, and facilitate resumption of normal social and economic activities;

**WHEREAS**, Section 6(h) of RA No. 10121 provides that the NDRRMC, being empowered with policy-making, coordination, integration, supervision, monitoring and evaluation functions, shall manage and mobilize resources for disaster risk reduction and management including the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (NDRRM) Fund;

**WHEREAS**, Section 22(a) of RA No. 10121 provides that the NDRRM Fund can also be utilized for relief, recovery, reconstruction and other works or services in connection with natural or human-induced calamities which may occur during the budget year or those that occurred in the past two (2) years from the budget;

**WHEREAS**, Section 22(c) of RA No. 10121 states that Quick Response Fund shall be used for relief and recovery programs in order that the situation and living conditions of people in communities or areas stricken by disasters, calamities, epidemics, or complex emergencies, may be normalized as quickly as possible;

**WHEREAS**, based on the latest NDRRMC Situation Reports, the onslaught of the series of Typhoons Quinta, Rolly, and Ulysses during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of this year left a devastating effect to various parts of the country affecting a total of 7,863,826 individuals with 454, 234 damaged houses, and indicative worth of damages

amounting to PHP14,988,107,964.00 to agriculture and PHP26,443,156,714.00 damage to infrastructure.

**WHEREAS**, the NDRRMC already received initial funding requests of around PHP9.6 Billion excluding the estimated funding requirement of PHP2.6 Billion for provision of immediate assistance to calamity victims whose houses were damaged by the aforesaid typhoons;

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the President augmented PHP15 Billion to the NDRRM Fund from the savings generated from the implementation of RA 11494, otherwise known as the Bayanihan to Recover as One Act, whereby it limits the utilization of the augmented funds for the expenditures that address COVID-19 pandemic or for purposes identified in the aforementioned Act;

**WHEREAS**, to possibly address the rehabilitation and recovery needs, the NDRRM Fund for FY-2020 still has an unreleased balance of PHP10,274,266,251.00 which if and when the President allows to be realigned, can be utilized to fast track the disaster rehabilitation and recovery including early recovery efforts in line with the build back better principle;

**WHEREAS**, even if the aforesaid balance will be allowed to be utilized for disaster recovery and rehabilitation efforts, there is still a need to extend its validity of the NDRRM Fund up to 2021 to effectively allow the continuous implementation of the said efforts of the government;

**WHEREAS**, the implementation of the government Rehabilitation and Recovery efforts to address and manage the effects of disasters and bring back normalcy of affected areas should not be hampered by budgetary constraints most especially when there are funds available;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Council **RESOLVES**, as it hereby **RESOLVED**, to recommend to the President the following measures:

- a. Expansion of the use of the PHP15 Billion augmentation to the FY-2020 NDRRM Fund to allow utilization for disaster rehabilitation and recovery including early recovery; and
- b. To request to Congress the extension of the validity of the whole FY-2020 NDRRM Fund including the Augmented Funds, CARED Fund, and Quick Response Fund up to the end of FY-2021

Done this 9th day of December 2020 at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, NDRRMC Operations Center, Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City.

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