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RESOLUTION NO. SP- 1 000 , S-98

A RESOLUTION TO DIRECT THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS TO IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT A JOINT INQUIRY INTO THE FRATERNAL SLAYING OF UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES STUDENT ALEXANDER ICASIANO WITH A VIEW TO PUT IN PLACE PUNISHMENTS AND PENALTIES TO SCHOOLS AND OWNERS OF PLACES WITHIN QUEZON CITY WHERE PHYSICAL HAZINGS ARE BEING CONDUCTED.

Introduced by Councilor MARCEL C. RILLO.

Co-Introduced by Councilors Rommel R. Abesamis, Winston "Wimmie" T. Castelo, Godofredo T. Liban II, Marciano P. Medalla, Eric Rey Z. Medina, Jorge L. Banal, Julian M.L. Coseteng, Fernando V. Avanzado, Jesus "Bong" C. Suntay, Marcel C. Rillo and Bayani V. Hipol.

WHEREAS, man was breathed life by the Creator because of love and out of this love man was bestowed with intelligence in order for him to push the frontiers of knowledge to better his world and that of others;

WHEREAS, despite Article 7 of the United Nations International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights where it is stated that, "No man shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" is common knowledge to most college students especially to those majoring Political Science;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Constitution in its Declaration of Principles and Policies explicitly guarantees the protection of human life and that amongst the lives to be protected wherever they may be are those of the youth;

WHEREAS, there is an apparent act to willfully implement Republic Act 8049 enacted in June 7, 1995, providing safety parameters to ensure that no violent physical hazing takes place by the submission of written notices to the school authorities by the fraternities, sororities or organizations and that initiation rites be supervised by at least two representatives of the school or organization;

WHEREAS, initiation rites of fraternities have metamorphosed into brutal slaying of their neophytes as gleaned from the deaths of Lenny Villa, Venturina, and now Alexander Icasiano;

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NOW, THEREFORE,


BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN SESSION ASSEMBLED, to direct, as it does hereby direct, the Committee on Education and the Committee on Justice and Human Rights to immediately conduct a joint inquiry into the fraternal slaying of U.P. student Alexander Icasiano with a view to put in place punishments and penalties to schools and owners of places within Quezon City where physical hazings are being conducted.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to direct the Committee on Education and Committee on Justice and Human Rights, in the conduct of their joint inquiry, to invite resource persons from the City Legal Office, Division of City Schools and other recognized experts and/or pioneers of campus and organization fraternities/sororities who may be of assistance in formulating a framework for fraternities/sororities where physical hazing is banned in toto.

RESOLVED, FINALLY, to direct the Committee on Education and the Committee on Justice and Human Rights to submit their report to the City Council within sixty (60) working days from the approval of this Resolution.

ADOPTED: September 8, 1998.

ATTESTED:


EUGENIO V. JURILLA
Secretary to the Sanggunian


RAMON G. MATHAY
1st Majority Floor Leader
Acting Presiding Officer

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