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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1416

Introduced by **Congressmen Leopoldo N. Bataoil, Amado T. Espino Jr. Jose Antonio "Kuya Jonathan" R. Sy Alvarado, Gavini "Apol" C. Pancho, Lorna C. Silverio, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Carmelo B. Lazatin II, Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Aurelio D. Gonzales Jr., Juan Pablo "Rimpy" P. Bondoc, Carlos O. Cojuangco, Victor A. Yap, Noel L. Villanueva, Jesus "Boying" F. Celeste, Rose Marie "Baby" J. Arenas, Christopher "Toff" Vera De Venecia, Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas, Conrado III M. Estrella, Pablo C. Ortega, Sandra Y. Eriguel**

RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOTR), PHILIPPINE NATIONAL RAILWAY (PNR), NORTHERN LUZON RAILWAY CORPORATION (NLRC), TO IMMEDIATELY RESTORE, REHABILITATE AND RESUME THE OPERATIONS OF RAILWAY SYSTEM FROM MANILA TO NORTHERN LUZON ROUTE


WHEREAS, Article 2, Section 5 of the 1987 Constitution provides: "The State shall promote a just and dynamic social order that will ensure the prosperity and independence of the nation and free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment, a rising standard of living, and an improved quality of life for all";

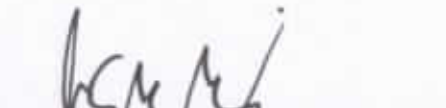
WHEREAS, the Philippine National Railway (PNR) used to operate in Northern Luzon with its Northern most terminal in San Fernando, La Union passing through the provinces of Bulacan, Pampanga, Tarlac and Pangasinan including Dagupan City;


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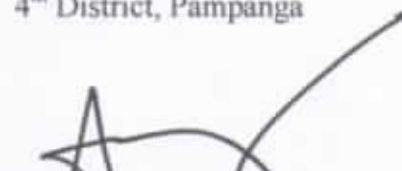

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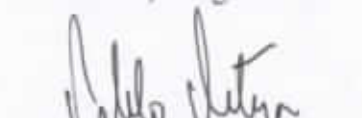
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WHEREAS, the operation of the PNR continued up to the Marcos regime, however, due to neglect and damage done by natural calamities, the operation of the PNR on this route became inefficient; Further, persistent problems with informal settlers added to the inefficiency of the PNR. Furthermore, natural calamities severely damaged the railroads thus lead to the suspension of the railway services;

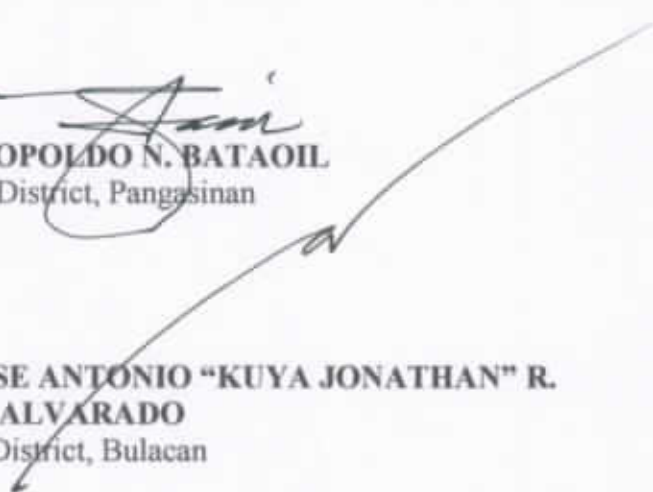
WHEREAS, the people of Northern Luzon are in dire need of a mass railway transportation system because it is the cheapest and fastest mode of transportation of bringing their produce from one province to another;

WHEREAS, the immediate rehabilitation of the railway system in Central and Northern Luzon is needed to reinstate the operation of its Northern Luzon route that will expand economic development and shorten the travel time going to the different parts of Northern Luzon and it will enhance tourism in the province as the tourist attractions or destinations will be accessible to all; Now, therefore, be it


RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, To urge the Department Of Transportation (DOTr), Philippine National Railway (PNR), Northern Luzon Railway Corporation (NLRC), to immediately restore, rehabilitate, and resume the operations of railway system from Manila to Northern Luzon route

RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish the Department of Transportation (DOTr), Philippine National Railway (PNR) and the Northern Luzon Railway Corporation (NLRC), copy of this resolution,


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