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CALL TO ORDER

This being the day fixed in accordance with the Constitution for the beginning of the First Regular Session of the 20th Congress, and pursuant to established parliamentary rules and practice, the Secretary General of the House of Representatives under the 19th Congress, Hon. Reginald S. Velasco, called the session to order at ten o'clock in the morning.

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PRAYER

Thereupon, the St. Therese Educational Foundation of Tacloban, Inc. Children's Choir led the singing of the National Anthem and thereafter, Messrs. Albert Dagami, Ralph Saul Montesclaros, Joffet Ocena, and Jan Marc Pedrita sang the doxology.

ROLL CALL

Upon direction of the Presiding Officer, the Deputy Secretary General of the Legislative Operations Department, Atty. David Robert U. Amorin, called the Roll of Members of the House of Representatives by legislative districts apportioned among provinces and cities, and by party-list organizations in alphabetical order:

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION (NCR)

CITY OF CALOOCAN

First District

HON. OSCAR G. MALAPITAN

Second District

HON. EDGAR R. ERICE

Third District

HON, DEAN ASISTIO

CITY OF LAS PIÑAS

Lone District

HON. MARK ANTHONY SANTOS

CITY OF MAKATI

First District

HON. MONIQUE YAZMIN MARIA Q. LAGDAMEO

Second District

HON. DENNIS "ALDEN" B. ALMARIO

CITY OF MALABON

Lone District

HON. ANTOLIN A. ORETA III

CITY OF MANDALUYONG

Lone District

HON. ALEXANDRIA P. GONZALES

CITY OF MANILA

First District

HON. ERNESTO M. DIONISIO JR.

Second District

HON. ROLANDO M. VALERIANO

Third District

HON, JOEL R. CHUA

Fourth District

HON. GISELLE MARY L. MACEDA

Fifth District

HON. IRWIN C. TIENG*

Sixth District

HON. BIENVENIDO M. ABANTE JR.

CITY OF MARIKINA

First District

HON. MARCELINO "MARCY" R. TEODORO

Second District

HON. ATTY. MIRO S. QUIMBO

CITY OF MUNTINLUPA

Lone District

HON. JAIME R. FRESNEDI

CITY OF NAVOTAS

Lone District

HON. TOBIAS "TOBY" M. TIANGCO

CITY OF PARAÑAQUE

First District

HON. ERIC L. OLIVAREZ

Second District

HON. BRIAN RAYMUND S.YAMSUAN

PASAY CITY

Lone District

HON. ANTONINO G. CALIXTO

PASIG CITY

Lone District

HON. ROMAN T. ROMULO

QUEZON CITY

First District

HON. JUAN CARLOS "ARJO" C. ATAYDE

Second District

HON. RALPH WENDEL P. TULFO

Third District

HON. FRANZ S. PUMAREN

Fourth District

HON. JESUS MANUEL "BONG" C.

SUNTAY

Fifth District

HON. PATRICK MICHAEL D. VARGAS

Sixth District

HON. MA. VICTORIA CO-PILAR

CITY OF SAN JUAN

Lone District

HON. YSABEL MARIA J. ZAMORA

CITY OF TAGUIG (1st Councilor District) -

PATEROS

Lone District

HON. RICARDO S. CRUZ JR.

CITY OF TAGUIG (2nd Councilor District)

Lone District

HON. JORGE DANIEL S. BOCOBO

CITY OF VALENZUELA

First District

Second District

HON. GERALD GALANG

REGION I - ILOCOS REGION

HON. KENNETH T. GATCHALIAN

ILOCOS NORTE

First District

HON. FERDINAND ALEXANDER A.

MARCOS

Second District

HON. ANGELO MARCOS BARBA

ILOCOS SUR

First District

HON. RONALD V. SINGSON

Second District

HON. KRISTINE SINGSON-MEEHAN

LA UNION

First District

HON. FRANCISCO PAOLO P. ORTEGA V

Second District

HON. DANTE S. GARCIA

PANGASINAN

First District

HON. ARTHUR F. CELESTE

Second District

HON. MARK O. COJUANGCO

Third District

HON. MARIA RACHEL J. ARENAS

Fourth District

HON. MA. GEORGINA P. DE VENECIA

Fifth District

HON. RAMON N. GUICO JR.

Sixth District

HON. MARLYN L. PRIMICIAS-AGABAS

REGION II - CAGAYAN VALLEY

BATANES

Lone District

HON. CIRIACO B. GATO JR., MD,

FPSO-HNS

CAGAYAN

First District

HON. RAMON C. NOLASCO

Second District

HON. BABY ALINE VARGAS-ALFONSO

Third District

HON. JOSEPH "JOJO" L. LARA

ISABELA

First District

HON. ANTONIO "TONYPET" T. ALBANO

Second District

HON. ED CHRISTOPHER S. GO*

Third District

HON. IAN PAUL L. DY

Fourth District

HON. JOSEPH S. TAN

Fifth District

HON. FAUSTINO MICHAEL CARLOS T. DY III

Sixth District

HON. FAUSTINO G. DY III

NUEVA VIZCAYA

Lone District

HON. TIMOTHY JOSEPH E. CAYTON

QUIRINO

Lone District

HON. MIDY N. CUA

REGION III - CENTRAL LUZON

AURORA

Lone District

HON. ROMMEL RICO T. ANGARA

BATAAN

First District

HON. ANTONINO B. ROMAN III

Second District

HON. ALBERT S. GARCIA

Third District

HON. MARIA ANGELA S. GARCIA

BULACAN

First District

HON. ATTY. DANILO "DANNY" A. DOMINGO

Second District

HON. AUGUSTINA DOMINIQUE

"DITSE TINA" C. PANCHO

Third District

HON. MARK CHOLO I. VIOLAGO

Fourth District

HON. LINABELLE RUTH R. VILLARICA

Fifth District

HON. AGATHA PAULA AGUILAR CRUZ

Sixth District

HON. SALVADOR A. PLEYTO

CITY OF SAN JOSE DEL MONTE

Lone District

HON. ARTURO B. ROBES

NUEVA ECIJA

First District

HON. MIKAELA ANGELA B. SUANSING

Second District

HON. MARIO "KOKOY" O. SALVADOR

Third District

HON. JULIUS CESAR "JAY" VERGARA*

Fourth District

HON. EMERSON D. PASCUAL

PAMPANGA

First District

HON. CARMELO G. LAZATIN JR.

Second District

HON. GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO

HON. MA. RENE ANN LOURDES G.

MATIBAG

Third District Fourth District HON. ALYSSA MICHAELA "MICA" M. HON. AMADO CARLOS A. BOLILIA IV **GONZALES** Fifth District Fourth District HON. BEVERLEY ROSE A. DIMACUHA HON. ANNA YORK P. BONDOC, MD Sixth District **TARLAC** HON. RYAN S. RECTO First District **CAVITE** HON. JAIME EDUARDO MARC D. COJUANGCO First District Second District HON. RAMON JOLO B. REVILLA III HON. MARIA CRISTINA C. ANGELES Second District Third District HON. LANI MERCADO-REVILLA HON. NOEL "BONG" N. RIVERA Third District HON. ADRIAN JAY C. ADVINCULA **ZAMBALES** Fourth District First District HON. FRANCISCO "KIKO" A. BARZAGA HON. JEFFERSON F. KHONGHUN Fifth District Second District HON. ROY M. LOYOLA HON. DORIS E. MANIQUIZ Sixth District **REGION IV-A - CALABARZON** HON. ANTONIO A. FERRER **BATANGAS** Seventh District First District HON. CRISPIN DIEGO D. REMULLA HON. LEANDRO LEGARDA LEVISTE Eighth District Second District HON. ANIELA BIANCA D. TOLENTINO HON. ATTY. GERVILLE "JINKY LAGUNA BITRICS" R. LUISTRO First District Third District

HON. KING GEORGE LEANDRO

ANTONIO V. COLLANTES

20th Congress, First Regular Session JOURNAL NO. 1 Monday, July 28, 2025 Second District RIZAL First District HON. RAMIL LAUREL HERNANDEZ* HON. REBECCA MARIA ALCANTARA Third District YNARES* HON. LORETO S. AMANTE Second District Fourth District HON. EMIGDIO P. TANJUATCO III HON. BENJAMIN C. AGARAO JR. Third District CITY OF BIÑAN HON. JOSE ARTURO S. GARCIA JR. Lone District Fourth District HON. WALFREDO "ARMAN" R. HON. DENNIS "TOM" L. HERNANDEZ* DIMAGUILA JR.* CITY OF ANTIPOLO **CITY OF CALAMBA** First District Lone District HON. RONALDO V. PUNO HON. CHARISSE ANNE C. HERNANDEZ Second District CITY OF SANTA ROSA HON. ROMEO M. ACOP*** Lone District **SOUTHWESTERN TAGALOG -MIMAROPA REGION** HON. ROY M. GONZALES **MARINDUQUE QUEZON** Lone District First District HON. REYNALDO P. SALVACION HON. WILFRIDO MARK M. ENVERGA OCCIDENTAL MINDORO

Second District

Third District

Fourth District

TAN

HON. DAVID "JAY-JAY" C. SUAREZ

HON. REYNANTE U. ARROGANCIA

HON. KEITH MICAH "ATTY. MIKE" D.L.

Lone District

HON. LEODY "ODIE" F. TARRIELA

ORIENTAL MINDORO

First District

HON. ARNAN C. PANALIGAN

Second District

HON. ALFONSO V. UMALI JR.

PALAWAN Second District

First District HON. VINCENZO RENATO LUIGI R.

HON. ROSALIE ANG SALVAME

VILLAFUERTE*

Second District Third District

HON. JOSE C. ALVAREZ HON. NELSON S. LEGACION

Third District Fourth District

HON. GIL "KABARANGAY JR." A.
ACOSTA
HON. ARNIE B. FUENTEBELLA

ROMBLON

Lone District HON. MIGUEL LUIS R. VILLAFUERTE*

Fifth District

HON. ANTONIO T. KHO

HON. ELEANDRO JESUS F. MADRONA

CATANDUANES

REGION V - BICOL REGION

Lone District

ALBAY HON. EULOGIO "LEO" R. RODRIGUEZ

First District

MASBATE

HON. CIELO KRISEL LAGMAN

HON. CARLOS ANDES LORIA

Second District

Second District

First District

First District

Third District Second District

HON. ADRIAN E. SALCEDA

HON. ELISA "OLGA" T. KHO

CAMARINES NORTE

Third District

First District

HON. WILTON "TONTON" T. KHO HON. JOSEFINA B. TALLADO

SORSOGON

HON. ROSEMARIE CONEJOS PANOTES

First District

CAMARINES SUR

HON. MARIE BERNADETTE G.
ESCUDERO

ESCUDERO ESCUDERO

Second District

HON. TSUYOSHI ANTHONY G.

HORIBATA HON. WOWO FORTES*

REGION VI - WESTERN VISAYAS

Fifth District

AKLAN

HON. BINKY APRIL M. TUPAS**

First District

HON. JESUS "JESS" R. MARQUEZ

Second District

HON. FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES

Lone District

CITY OF ILOILO

HON. JULIENNE "JAM" L. BARONDA

REGION VII - CENTRAL VISAYAS

ANTIQUE

Lone District

HON. ANTONIO B. LEGARDA JR.

BOHOL

First District

Second District

HON. JOHN GEESNELL L. YAP II

CAPIZ

First District

HON. IVAN HOWARD A. GUINTU

Second District

HON. JANE T. CASTRO

HON. MARIA VANESSA "VAN-VAN" C.

AUMENTADO, RN

Third District

HON. KRISTINE ALEXIE B. TUTOR

GUIMARAS

Lone District

HON. JC RAHMAN A. NAVA, MD

CEBU

HON. RHEA MAE A. GULLAS

Second District

First District

HON. EDSEL A. GALEOS

Third District

HON. KAREN HOPE F. GARCIA

Fourth District

HON. SUN JUDAL SHIMURA

Fifth District

HON. VINCENT FRANCO "DUKE" D.

FRASCO

Sixth District

HON. DAPHNE A. LAGON

ILOILO

First District

HON. JANETTE L. GARIN

Second District

HON. KATHRYN JOYCE F. GORRICETA

Third District

HON. LORENZ R. DEFENSOR

Fourth District

HON. FERJENEL G. BIRON, MD

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GONZALES

LEYTE

First District

HON. FERDINAND MARTIN G. **ROMUALDEZ**

Second District

HON. LOLITA T. JAVIER

HON. CHRISTOPHERSON "COCO" M. YAP

REGION IX - ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA

SULU

First District

HON. SAMIER A. TAN***

HON. MUNIR M. ARBISON

HON. ROBERTO "PINPIN" T. UY JR.

HON. IRENE G. LABADLABAD

HON. ADRIAN MICHAEL A. AMATONG

ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE

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Second District

First District

Second District

Third District

First District

Second District

REGION X - NORTHERN MINDANAO

BUKIDNON

First District

HON. JOSE MANUEL F. ALBA

Second District

HON. JONATHAN KEITH T. FLORES

Third District

HON. AUDREY KAY T. ZUBIRI

Fourth District

CAMIGUIN

HON. LAARNI LAVIN ROQUE

ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR

Lone District

HON. JURDIN JESUS M. ROMUALDO

HON. JOSEPH KIM C. YU

HON. JEYZEL VICTORIA C. YU

CITY OF ZAMBOANGA

HON. KATRINA REIKO CHUA-TAI

Second District

First District

HON. JERRY EVANGELISTA PEREZ*

First District

LANAO DEL NORTE

HON. IMELDA QUIBRANZA DIMAPORO

Second District

HON. SITTIE AMINAH Q. DIMAPORO

CITY OF ILIGAN

Lone District

MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL

HON. CELSO G. REGENCIA

ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY

First District First District

HON. MARLO C. BANCORO HON. JASON P. ALMONTE

Second District Second District

HON. MARLESA "DOC MARLY"

HON. SANCHO FERNANDO "ANDO" F.

HOFER-HASIM OAMINAL

MISAMIS ORIENTAL

First District

HON. JENNIFER A. LAGBAS

Second District

HON. YEVGENY VINCENTE B. EMANO

CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO

First District

HON. LORDAN G. SUAN

Second District

HON. RUFUS B. RODRIGUEZ

REGION XI - DAVAO REGION

DAVAO DE ORO

First District

HON. MARIA CARMEN S. ZAMORA

Second District

HON. LEONEL D. CENIZA*

DAVAO DEL NORTE

First District

HON. DE CARLO L. UY

Second District

HON. JOSE MANUEL "JM" FLOIRENDO

LAGDAMEO

DAVAO DEL SUR

Lone District

HON. JOHN TRACY F. CAGAS

CITY OF DAVAO

First District

HON. PAOLO Z. DUTERTE

Second District

HON. OMAR VINCENT SANGKOLA

DUTERTE

Third District

HON. ISIDRO T. UNGAB

DAVAO OCCIDENTAL

Lone District

HON. CLAUDE P. BAUTISTA***

DAVAO ORIENTAL

First District

HON. NELSON "JR" DAYANGHIRANG*

Second District

HON. CHEENO MIGUEL D. ALMARIO

REGION XII - SOCCSKSARGEN

COTABATO

First District

HON. EDWIN L. CRUZADO, MD

Second District

HON. RUDY S. CAOAGDAN, DPA

Third District

HON. MA. ALANA SAMANTHA T.

SANTOS

SARANGANI

Lone District

HON. STEVE CHIONGBIAN SOLON

SOUTH COTABATO

First District

HON. ISIDRO D. LUMAYAG

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Second District

HON. FERDINAND L. HERNANDEZ

Third District

HON. DIBU S. TUAN

CITY OF GENERAL SANTOS

Lone District

HON. SHIRLYN L. BAÑAS-NOGRALES

SULTAN KUDARAT

First District

HON. RUTH M. SAKALURAN

Second District

HON. BELLA VANESSA B. SUANSING*

REGION XIII - CARAGA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION

AGUSAN DEL NORTE

Lone District

HON. DALE B. CORVERA

CITY OF BUTUAN

Lone District

HON. JOSE "JOBOY" S. AQUINO II

AGUSAN DEL SUR

First District

HON. ALFELITO "ALFEL" M. BASCUG

Second District

HON. EDDIEBONG G. PLAZA

DINAGAT ISLANDS

Lone District

HON. KAKA J. BAG-AO

SURIGAO DEL NORTE

First District

HON. FRANCISCO "LALO" T. MATUGAS

Second District

HON. BERNADETTE S. BARBERS

SURIGAO DEL SUR

First District

HON. ROMEO S. MOMO SR.

Second District

HON. ALEXANDER TY PIMENTEL

CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION

ABRA

Lone District

HON. JOSEPH STO. NIÑO B. BERNOS

APAYAO

Lone District

HON. ELEANOR C. BULUT-BEGTANG

BENGUET

Lone District

HON. ERIC GO YAP

CITY OF BAGUIO

Lone District

HON. MAURICIO G. DOMOGAN

IFUGAO

Lone District

HON. SOLOMON R. CHUNGALAO

KALINGA

NEGROS ISLAND REGION

Lone District

Lone District

HON. CAROLINE B. AGYAO

MOUNTAIN PROVINCE

HON. MAXIMO Y. DALOG JR.

BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION

IN MUSLIM MINDANAO

BASILAN

Lone District

HON. USTADZ YUSOP T. ALANO

LANAO DEL SUR

First District

ADIONG

Second District

HON. YASSER ALONTO BALINDONG

HON. ZIAUR-RAHMAN "ZIA" ALONTO

Lone District

HON. BAI DIMPLE I. MASTURA

MAGUINDANAO DEL SUR

MAGUINDANAO DEL NORTE

Lone District

HON. ESMAEL G. MANGUDADATU

TAWI-TAWI

Lone District

HON. DIMSZAR M. SALI

NEGROS OCCIDENTAL

First District

HON. JULIO A. LEDESMA IV

Second District

HON. ALFREDO D. MARAÑON III

Third District

HON. JAVIER MIGUEL LOPEZ BENITEZ

Fourth District

HON. JEFFREY P. FERRER

Fifth District

HON. EMILIO BERNARDINO L. YULO

Sixth District

HON. MERCEDES K. ALVAREZ

CITY OF BACOLOD

Lone District

HON. ALFREDO "ALBEE" B. BENITEZ

NEGROS ORIENTAL

First District

HON. EMMANUEL L. IWAY

Second District

HON. MA. ISABEL L. SAGARBARRIA

Third District

HON. JANICE DEGAMO

SIQUIJOR

Lone District

HON. ZALDY S. VILLA

PARTY-LIST	AKBAYAN (Akbayan Citizen's Action Party)
1-RIDER PARTYLIST (Ang Buklod ng mga Motorista ng Pilipinas)	HON. JOSE MANUEL TADEO "CHEL" I. DIOKNO
HON. RAMON RODRIGO L. GUTIERREZ	HON. PERCI CENDAÑA
1TAHANAN (1Tahanan Inc.)	HON. DADAH KIRAM ISMULA
HON. NATHANIEL M. ODUCADO	AKO BICOL (Ako Bicol Political Party)
4K (Kababaihan Kabalikatan para sa Kapakanan	HON. ELIZALDY S. CO***
at Kaunlaran ng Bayan)	HON. ALFREDO A. GARBIN JR.
HON. IRIS MARIE DEMESA MONTES	AKO BISAYA (Ako Bisaya Inc.)
4Ps (Pagtibayin at Palaguin ang Pangkabuhayang Pilipino)	HON. SONNY "SL" L. LAGON
HON. MARCELINO C. LIBANAN	AKO ILOCANO AKO
HON. JC M. ABALOS	HON. RICHELLE SINGSON
ABAMIN (Abante Mindanao, Inc.)	ALONA (Alliance of Organizations, Networks, and Associations of the Philippines)
HON. MAXIMO B. RODRIGUEZ JR.	HON. MA. CRISTINA TALAVERA LOPEZ
ABANG LINGKOD (Abang Lingkod Inc.)	APEC (Association of Philippine Electric Cooperatives)
HON. MANUEL "MANMAN" O. KO	
ACT-CIS (Anti-Crime and Terrorism-Community Involvement and Support, Inc.)	HON. SERGIO C. DAGOOC
HON. EDVIC G. YAP	ASENSO PINOY
HON. JOCELYN P. TULFO***	HON. HENRY F. OAMINAL JR.

ACT TEACHERS (Act Teachers Party-List)

HON. ANTONIO L. TINIO

AGAP (Agricultural Sector Alliance of the **Philippines**)

HON. NICANOR M. BRIONES

AGIMAT (Agimat ng Masa)

HON. BRYAN B. REVILLA

BH (Bagong Henerasyon)

HON. ROBERT NAZAL

BICOL SARO

HON. TERRY L. RIDON

CIBAC (Citizens' Battle Against Corruption)

HON. EDUARDO "BRO. EDDIE" C. VILLANUEVA***

COOP NATCCO (Cooperative NATCCO Network LPGMA (LPG Marketers Association, Inc.) Party) HON. ALLAN U. TY HON. FELIMON M. ESPARES MAGBUBUKID (Mamamayan **CWS (Construction Workers Solidarity Inc.)** Gobyernong Bubuklod sa mga Isip at Diwa ng mga Pilipino) HON. EDWIN L. GARDIOLA HON. FERDINAND "B1" L. BELTRAN **DUMPER PTDA (Dumper Philippines Taxi Drivers Association, Inc.)** MALASAKIT@BAYANIHAN (Malasakit at **Bayanihan Foundation, Inc.)** HON. CLAUDINE DIANA D. **BAUTISTA-LIM** HON. GIRLIE E. VELOSO FPJ PANDAY BAYANIHAN (FPJ **Panday** MANILA TEACHERS (Manila Teacher's Savings **Bayanihan Partylist)** and Loan Association, Inc.) HON. BRIAN POE HON. MA. NINA FRANCESCA P. LACSON GP (GALING SA PUSO) (Galing sa Puso Partylist) ML (Mamamayang Liberal) HON. JAN RURIK "ATTY. JP" DL. HON. LEILA M. DE LIMA **PADIERNOS NANAY KABATAAN** (Kabataan Partylist) HON. FLORABEL C. YATCO HON. RENEE LOUISE M. CO ONE COOP (Aurora Integrated Multi-Purpose KAMALAYAN (Kalipunan ng Maralita at Cooperative (AIMCOOP)) Malayang Mamamayan, Inc.) HON. MARIA KRISTINA JIHAN B. HON. CAROLINE L. TANCHAY GLEPA* KAMANGGAGAWA (Kampihan ng mga Maralita PHILRECA (Philippine Rural **Electric** at Manggagawa) **Cooperatives Association, Inc.)** HON. ELIJAH RUMBAOA HON. PRESLEY C. DE JESUS SAN FERNANDO KAPUSO PM (Kabalikat Patungo sa Umuunlad PPP (Puwersa ng Pilipinong Pandagat) na Sistematiko at Organisadong Pangkabuhayan) HON. HAROLD JAMES T. DUTERTE HON. MUNIR N. ARBISON JR. **PUSONG PINOY**

KUSUG TAUSUG Intervention on Poverty)

KM NGAYON NA (Kilos Mamamayan Ngayon Na)

HON. KENNETH PAOLO C. TERENG

HON, AIMAN T. TAN HON, PAOLO HENRY M. MARCOLETA

SAGIP

HON. JERNIE JETT V. NISAY

Amelioration

(Social

Genuine

&

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTYLIST

(Coalition of Associations of Senior Citizens in the Philippines)

HON. RODOLFO "OMPONG" M. ORDANES

SOLID NORTH PARTY (Solidarity of Northern Luzon People's Party)

HON. CHING B. BERNOS

SSS-GSIS PENSYONADO

HON. ROLANDO LEDESMA MACASAET

SWERTE (Solo Parent Working for Economic Rights and Other Thrusts for Equality)

HON. ARLYN P. AYON*

TGP (Talino at Galing ng Pinoy)

HON. JOSE "BONG" J. TEVES JR.

TINGOG (Tingog Sinirangan)

HON. ANDREW JULIAN K. ROMUALDEZ

HON. JUDE A. ACIDRE

HON. YEDDA MARIE K. ROMUALDEZ

TRABAHO (Tagapagtaguyod ng mga Reporma at Adhikaing Babalikat at Hahango sa mga Oportunidad para sa mga Pilipino)

HON. JOHANNE MONICH G. BAUTISTA

TUCP (Trade Union Congress Party)

HON. RAYMOND DEMOCRITO C. MENDOZA

UNITED SENIOR CITIZENS (United Senior Citizens Koalition ng Pilipinas, Inc.)

HON. MILAGROS AQUINO-MAGSAYSAY

USWAG ILONGGO (Uswag Ilonggo Party)

HON. JAMES "JOJO" ANG JR.

- * Appeared after the Roll Call
- ** Absent with official notice
- *** Absent without notice

With 290 Members responding to the Call, the Presiding Officer declared the presence of a quorum.

DESIGNATION OF ACTING FLOOR LEADER

To ensure orderly proceedings, the Presiding Officer designated Rep. Lorenz R. Defensor as Acting Floor Leader.

REMARKS OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER

Before proceeding to the period of nomination for the Speaker of the House, the Presiding Officer stated for the record that precedents based on previous House Rules provide that Members who voted for the winning candidate for Speaker shall constitute the Majority who will elect among themselves the Majority Leader, while members of the Minority shall select their Minority Leader.

PERIOD OF NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the period of nominations for the position of Speaker of the House; and the Presiding Officer then recognized Rep. David "Jay-Jay" C. Suarez for his nomination speech.

NOMINATION SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE SUAREZ

Representative Suarez stated that the leadership of Rep. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez had been tested and proven in the 19th Congress, and that through his leadership, integrity, and dedication to public service, the House of Representatives was transformed into becoming a true House of the People responsive to the needs of the nation, attuned to the voice of the common Filipinos, and anchored in the values of unity, service, and progress.

Then highlighting Representative Romualdez's accomplishments as Speaker during the 19th Congress, including the passage of key priority measures advancing the goals of *Bagong Pilipinas*, promoting unity, and strengthening legislative-executive collaboration, Representative Suarez emphasized the former's calm, principled, and results-driven leadership style.

As the House faces fresh challenges amid global volatility, domestic headwinds, and the ever-present call for poverty reduction and opportunity provision, Representative Suarez called for continued trust in Representative Romualdez who, he said, is not only a public servant of experience and stature, but a leader of empathy, integrity, and conviction; a partner of President Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos Jr.; and a champion of the Filipino people.

Representative Suarez then nominated Representative Romualdez for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives for the 20th Congress.

SECONDING NOMINATION SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE MARCOS

On motion of Representative Defensor, the Presiding Officer recognized Rep. Ferdinand Alexander A. Marcos who, on behalf of the Partido Federal ng Pilipinas, seconded the nomination of Representative Romualdez (F.M.) as Speaker of the House of Representatives for the 20th Congress.

SECONDING NOMINATION SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ENVERGA

On a subsequent motion of Representative Defensor, the Presiding Officer recognized Rep. Wilfrido Mark M. Enverga who, on behalf of the Nationalist People's Coalition Party, seconded the nomination of Representative Romualdez (F.M.) as Speaker of the House.

SECONDING NOMINATION SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE PUNO

On another motion of Representative Defensor, the Presiding Officer recognized Rep. Ronaldo V. Puno who, on behalf of the National Unity Party, likewise seconded the nomination of Representative Romualdez (F.M.) as Speaker of the House.

SECONDING NOMINATION SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE EMANO

On further motion of Representative Defensor, the Presiding Officer recognized Rep. Yevgeny Vincente B. Emano who, on behalf of the Nacionalista Party, seconded the nomination of Representative Romualdez (F.M.) as Speaker of the House.

SECONDING NOMINATION SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE MENDOZA

Next recognized by the Presiding Officer on motion of Representative Defensor, Rep. Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza, on behalf of the Party-List Coalition Foundation Inc. (PCFI) headed by its president, Rep. Elizaldy S. Co, seconded the nomination of Representative Romualdez (F.M.) as Speaker of the House for the 20th Congress.

TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD FOR NOMINATIONS

There being no other nominations for the position of Speaker of the House, upon motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body closed the period of nominations.

NOMINAL VOTING ON THE ELECTION OF SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Members proceeded to the election of the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Presiding Officer then directed Deputy Secretary General Amorin to call the Roll for nominal voting for the election of Speaker of the House, and requested the Members to state the name of the candidate they would vote for, without need for explanation.

MANIFESTATIONS OF REPRESENTATIVES TIANGCO AND UNGAB

During the voting, Rep. Tobias "Toby" M. Tiangco manifested his abstention, and remarked that he would not join the Minority and would be an Independent Member.

Rep. Isidro T. Ungab likewise manifested his abstention and expressed that he opted not to align

with either the Majority or the Minority. Lastly, he manifested his intent to serve as an Independent Member.

RESULT OF VOTING

Barzaga

Bascug

Beltran

Bautista (J.M.)

Benitez (J. M.)

Bernos (C.) Bernos (J.S.N.)

Bautista-Lim

The result of the voting was as follows:

For Rep. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez:

Abante Biron Acidre Bocobo Bolilia Acosta Adiong Bondoc Advincula **Bulut-Begtang** Agarao Cagas Agyao Calderon Alano Calixto Alba Caoagdan Albano Cari Almario (C.M.) Castro Almario (D.) Cayton Almonte Celeste Alvarez (J.) Ceniza Alvarez (M.) Chan Amante Chua Chua-Tai Amatong Chungalao Ang Cojuangco (J.E.M.) Angara Angeles Cojuangco (M.) Collantes Aquino Aquino-Magsaysay Co-Pilar Arbison (M.) Corvera Arbison, (M.N.) Cruz (A.P.) Cruz (R.) Arenas Cruzado Arrogancia Asistio Cua Atayde Dalog Dayanghirang Aumentado Balindong De Venecia Bañas-Nograles Defensor Bancoro Degamo Barba Dimacuha Barbers Dimaguila Baronda Dimaporo (I.)

Dimaporo (S.A.)

Dionisio

Domingo

Domogan

Dy (F.M.C.)

Dy (F.)

Dy (I.P.)

Emano

Enverga Lazatin Escudero Ledesma **Espares** Legacion Espina Legarda Leviste Ferrer (A.) Ferrer (J.) Lopez Flores Loria Fortes Loyola Fresnedi Luistro Fuentebella Lumayag Galang Macapagal-Arroyo Galeos Macasaet Garbin Maceda Garcia (A.) Madrona Garcia (D.) Malapitan Garcia (J.A.) Mangudadatu Garcia (K.H.) Maniquiz Garcia (M.A.) Marañon Gardiola Marcos Garin Marquez Gatchalian Mastura Gato Matibag Glepa Matugas Mendoza Go Gomez Mercado Mercado-Revilla Gonzales (A.) Gonzales (A.M.) Miraflores Momo Gonzales (R.) Gorriceta Nava Guico Nolasco Guintu Oaminal (H.) Gullas Oaminal (S.F.) Gutierrez Oducado Hernandez (C.A.) Olivarez Hernandez (D.) Ongchuan Hernandez (F.) Ordanes Hernandez (R.) Oreta Hofer-Hasim Ortega Horibata Ouano-Dizon Iway Panaligan Pancho Javier Kho (A.) **Panotes** Kho (E.) Pascual Kho (W.) Perez Khonghun **Pimentel** Ko Plaza Labadlabad Pleyto Lacson Poe Lagbas Primicias-Agabas Lagdameo (J.M.) Pumaren Lagdameo (M.Y.M.) Puno

Quimbo

Rama

Recto

Lagon (D.)

Lagon (S.)

Lara

Regencia Tanchay Ismula San Fernando Remulla Tanjuatco Lagman Suntay Tarriela Libanan Revilla (B.) Tan (R.M.) Revilla (R.J.) Teodoro Marcoleta Tan (S.J.) Rivera Tereng Montes Tiangco Robes Teves Nazal Tinio Rodriguez (E.) Tieng Nisay Ty Rodriguez (M.) Tolentino **Padiernos** Ungab Rodriguez (R.) Zubiri Tuan Ridon Roman Tulfo (R.W.) Tutor Romualdez (A.J.) Did Not Vote: Umali Romualdez (F.M.) Romualdez (Y.M.) Uy (D.C.) Duterte (H.J.) Duterte (P.) Romualdo Uy (R.) Duterte (O.V.) Valeriano Romulo Roque Vargas Sagarbarria Vargas-Alfonso Sakaluran Veloso

With 269 Members voting for Representative Romualdez (F.M.), 34 abstaining, and three who did not vote, the Presiding Officer declared Representative Romualdez of the First District of Leyte as the duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives for the 20th Congress.

COMMITTEE ON NOTIFICATION

On subsequent motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body constituted a committee composed of the following Members to notify Representative Romualdez (F.M.) of his election as Speaker of the House and thereafter, to escort the Speaker-elect to the rostrum for his oath-taking: Representatives Suarez, Marcos, Enverga, Puno, Emano, and Mendoza.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The Presiding Officer motu proprio suspended the session at 12:32 p.m..

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 12:33 p.m.

OATH-TAKING OF SPEAKER ROMUALDEZ (F.M.)

Thereafter, Rep. Salvador A. Pleyto administered the oath of office to Speaker-elect Romualdez (F.M.) in the presence of his family members and the House Members.

At this juncture, the Presiding Officer relinquished the Chair to Speaker Romualdez.

Salceda Veloso-Tuazon Sali Vergara Salvacion Villa Salvador Villafuerte (M.L.) Salvame Villafuerte (V.R.L.) Villarica Santos (M.A.S.) Santos (M.A.) Violago Shimura Yamsuan

Singson (R.) Yap (C.) Singson (R.V.) Yap (Edvic) Singson-Meehan Yap (Eric) Solon Yap (J.G.) Suan Yatco Suansing (B.V.) Ynares Suansing (M.A.) Yu (J.V.) Suarez Yu (J.K.) Tallado Yulo Tan (A.) Zamora (M.C.)

Tan (J.) Zamora (Y.M.)

Tan (K.M.)

Negative:

None

Abstention:

Abalos Daza Ayon De Jesus De Lima Bag-ao Benitez (A.) Del Mar Briones Diokno Cendaña Erice Co (R.L.) Frasco Dagooc Gonzales (C.S.)

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH OF SPEAKER ROMUALDEZ (F.M.)

At the outset, Speaker Romualdez expressed gratitude for the renewed trust of his colleagues, affirming his commitment to public service and the Filipino people. As he emphasized that leadership is not a reward but a responsibility and a challenge to serve with greater integrity, he thereafter called for unity, purpose, and principled governance, vowing to continue reforms that bring government closer to the people.

While he acknowledged the Supreme Court's ruling on Vice President Sara Zimmerman Duterte's impeachment case, he firmly asserted that the House's constitutional authority to initiate impeachment is independent of other institutions, and that while the court may close a case, the pursuit of accountability continues under the House's mandate. The Speaker underscored that the House is driven not by personalities or vendettas, but by truth and constitutional duty. He committed to standing firm in the face of adversity, likening his leadership to that of a father protecting the household during a storm.

He then spoke about the dual constitutional and moral role of legislators in crafting laws that reflect the aspirations of the Filipino people and in upholding accountability. He welcomed differing views within Congress as a source of strength that fortifies democracy.

As the Speaker pledged to lead a transparent, principled, and people-responsive chamber, he also thanked President Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos Jr. for his trust, assuring him of the House's partnership in building a more just, inclusive, and resilient "Bagong Pilipinas."

He concluded his speech by reaffirming the House's duty as the voice of the people, committed to advocating for their rights, livelihood, and future, underscoring its aim to leave a legacy defined by meaningful impact and unwavering service.

ADOPTION OF THE PROVISIONAL RULES OF THE HOUSE

Whereupon, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body adopted the 19th Congress Rules of the House of Representatives

as the Provisional Rules of the House to govern its proceedings until the adoption of the House Rules for the 20th Congress.

ADOPTION OF THE PROVISIONAL RULES OF PROCEDURE GOVERNING INQUIRIES IN AID OF LEGISLATION

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body adopted the 19th Congress Rules of Procedure Governing Inquiries in Aid of Legislation of the House of Representatives as the Provisional Rules until the adoption of the Rules of Procedure Governing Inquiries in Aid of Legislation for the 20th Congress.

ADOPTION OF THE PROVISIONAL RULES OF PROCEDURE IN IMPEACHMENT PROCEEDINGS

On another motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body also adopted the 19th Congress Rules of Procedure in Impeachment Proceedings of the House of Representatives as the Provisional Rules until the adoption of the Rules of Procedure in Impeachment Proceedings for the 20th Congress.

OATH-TAKING OF MEMBERS

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the oath-taking of the Members of the House.

Thereafter, Speaker Romualdez (F.M.) administered the oath of office to the Members of the House of Representatives of the 20th Congress.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKERS

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body elected Rep. David "Jay-Jay" C. Suarez as Senior Deputy Speaker and the following Members as Deputy Speakers of the House:

- 1. Rep. Janette L. Garin
- 2. Rep. Yasser Alonto Balindong
- 3. Rep. Francisco Paolo P. Ortega V
- 4. Rep. Jefferson F. Khonghun
- 5. Rep. Kristine Singson-Meehan
- 6. Rep. Ronaldo V. Puno
- 7. Rep. Faustino G. Dy III
- 8. Rep. Ferjenel G. Biron, MD
- 9. Rep. Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza

ELECTION OF SECRETARY GENERAL

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body elected Mr. Reginald S. Velasco as the Secretary General of the House.

ELECTION OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

On further motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body elected PMGEN Napoleon Caballes Taas (Ret.) as the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House.

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE MARCOS AS MAJORITY LEADER

Upon motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body elected Representative Marcos as Majority Leader of the House.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Whereupon, the Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 12:57 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 12:57 p.m.

ADOPTION OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS NO. 67 AND 68 AND HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

On successive motions of Majority Leader Marcos, there being no objection, the Body considered the following House Resolutions and Concurrent Resolution; dispensed with the reading of the texts thereof without prejudice to their insertion into the Record of the House, as copies had been distributed to the Members; and unanimously adopted through *viva voce* voting the following measures, titled:

- 1. House Resolution No. 67, titled: "RESOLUTION INFORMING THE SENATE THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS BEEN ORGANIZED AND HAS ENTERED UPON THE EXERCISE OF ITS FUNCTIONS";
- 2. House Resolution No. 68, titled: "RESOLUTION INFORMING HIS EXCELLENCY FERDINAND ROMUALDEZ MARCOS JR., PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, THAT

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS BEEN ORGANIZED AND HAS ENTERED UPON THE EXERCISE OF ITS FUNCTIONS"; and

3. House Concurrent Resolution No. 1, titled: "CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO HOLD A JOINT SESSION TO HEAR THE MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES."

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Whereupon, the Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 1:00 p.m. while the House transmits the messages to the Senate.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 1:00 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Upon resumption of session, on motion of Majority Leader Marcos, there being no objection, the Secretary General read the following Messages from the Senate, and the Chair made the following references:

Message dated July 28, 2025 informing the House that the Senate on even date adopted Senate Resolution No. 2, titled:

"RESOLUTION INFORMING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT THE SENATE HAS BEEN ORGANIZED WITH THE ELECTION OF ITS OFFICERS AND THAT THIS BODY HAS ENTERED UPON THE EXERCISE OF ITS FUNCTIONS FOR THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE TWENTIETH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES"

TO THE ARCHIVES

Message dated July 28, 2025, informing the House that the Senate on even date adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 titled:

"CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CREATING
A JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE
AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT OF THE
PHILIPPINES THAT CONGRESS, NOW
CONVENED FOR ITS FIRST REGULAR
SESSION OF THE TWENTIETH

CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES, IS READY TO HEAR THE STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS IN A JOINT SESSION OF BOTH HOUSES."

TO THE CALENDAR OF BUSINESS FOR THE DAY

ADOPTION OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

On successive motions of Majority Leader Marcos, there being no objection, the Body considered Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House, and adopted the measure, titled: "CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CREATING A JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES THAT CONGRESS, NOW CONVENED FOR ITS FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE TWENTIETH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES, IS READY TO HEAR THE STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS IN A JOINT SESSION OF BOTH HOUSES."

DESIGNATION OF MEMBERS TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON NOTIFICATION

With the adoption of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, on motion of Majority Leader Marcos, there being no objection, the Body designated Senior Deputy Speaker Suarez, and Deputy Speakers Garin, Balindong, Ortega, Khonghun, Singson-Meehan, Puno, Dy (F.), Biron, and Mendoza to notify the President that Congress was already convened and ready to receive his message in a joint session.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Majority Leader Marcos, the session was suspended at 1:05 p.m. to allow the Joint Committee on Notification to perform its assigned task and report back its accomplishment to the House.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 1:06 p.m.

REMARKS OF MAJORITY LEADER MARCOS

Thereupon, Majority Leader Marcos informed the Body that the House had received a report from the Joint Committee on Notification that the President had been informed that Congress will convene in a Joint Session at four o'clock that afternoon to hear his State of the Nation Address. He also reminded the Members to be in the Session Hall an hour before the four o'clock joint session that day.

The Chair duly noted Majority Leader Marcos' remarks.

On motion of Majority Leader Marcos, the Chair recognized the Secretary General for an announcement.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE SECRETARY GENERAL

The Secretary General announced that upon the request of the members of the Minority and for the information of the Body, the Members who did not vote for Speaker Romualdez (F.M.) were requested to attend and participate in a meeting for the purpose of electing the Minority Leader to be held immediately after the adjournment of the plenary session that day, at the Minority Leader Conference Room, North Wing Basement.

The Chair noted the same.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

To give way to the joint session at four o'clock in the afternoon that day, on motion of Majority Leader Marcos, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, July 29, 2025.

It was 1:08 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.



Approved on August 4, 2025.