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A RESOLUTION URGING THE BANGSAMORO GOVERNMENT TO CREATE A SENIOR CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITY OFFICE TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS OF EVERY SENIOR CITIZENS AND DIFFERENTLY ABLED PERSONS IN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM)

WHEREAS, Article 13, Section 11 of the Philippine Constitution states that the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. **There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, women, and children.** x x x;

WHEREAS, Section 23, paragraph 1, Article IX of the Bangsamoro Organic Law states that the Bangsamoro Government shall establish a special agency, support facilities and livelihood or skills training for person with special needs, and other disadvantaged persons for their rehabilitation and productive integration into mainstream society;

WHEREAS, in Section 23, paragraph 3, Article IX of the same Code further mandates that the Bangsamoro Government shall ensure the welfare of senior citizens by upholding their rights and providing the benefits and privileges they presently enjoy;

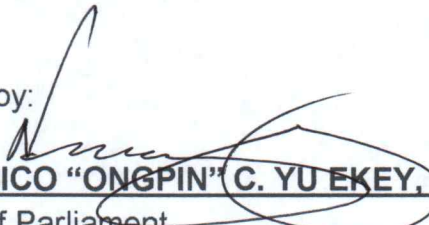
WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7876 also known as an **Act Establishing a Senior Citizen Center in All Cities and Municipalities of the Philippines** states that it is the declared policy of the State to provide adequate social services and an improved quality of life for all. For this purpose, the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach towards health development giving priority to elderly among others;

WHEREAS, the propose office will identify the needs, trainings, and opportunities of senior citizens and persons with disabilities in the cities and municipalities. It will Initiate, develop and implement productive activities and work schemes for senior citizens in order to provide income or otherwise supplement their earnings in the local community;

WHEREAS, the establishment of an office will promote and maintain linkages with provincial government units and other instrumentalities of government and the city and municipal councils for the elderly and the Federation of Senior Citizens Association of the Philippines and other non-government organizations for the delivery of health care services, facilities, professional advice services, volunteer training and community self-help projects;

NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to urge the Bangsamoro Government to create a Senior Citizens and Person with Disability Office to address the concerns of every senior citizen and differently abled persons in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM).

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