

Republic of the Philippines Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY PARLIAMENT



Bangsamoro Government Center, Cotabato City

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 387

RESOLUTION CONDEMNING IN THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE TERMS THE SENSELESS AND BRUTAL KILLING OF MEDICAL PRACTITIONER DR. MARIVIC TELLO AND URGING THE COTABATO REGIONAL AND MEDICAL CENTER (CRMC) TO UNDERTAKE NECESSARY STEPS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF ITS PERSONNEL AND CLIENTS

WHEREAS, Section 4, Article II of the 1987 Constitution of the Philippines states in part that "The prime duty of the Government is to serve and protect the people";

WHEREAS, Section 1, Article III of the Bill of Rights states that "No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law, nor shall any person be denied the equal protection of laws";

WHEREAS, Doctor Marivic Tello, an obstetrician-gynecologist practitioner and the wife of former Provincial Police Director of Maguindanao, Retired Police General Agustin Tello, was reported missing on July 23, 2023, and was last seen at the Cotabato Regional and Medical Center (CRMC);

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2023, the body of Dr. Tello was found buried in the Cotabato Medical Society Building, inside the CRMC compound, and it is believed that she was killed within the hospital premises;

WHEREAS, on the same date, her secretary surrendered to the police authorities, and thereupon voluntarily confessed and admitted to murdering the said doctor which happened inside the CRMC compound;

WHEREAS, medical doctors' role in society extends far beyond individual patient health conditions. They play a significant role in improving our health system as a whole. Worth noting that during the height of the Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, they sacrificed their time and lives while saving patients:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority Parliament, To express its condemnation in the strongest possible terms of the senseless and brutal killing of medical practitioner Dr. Marivic Tello and to urge the Cotabato Regional and Medical Center (CRMC) to undertake necessary steps to ensure the safety and security of its personnel and clients.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, To forward this Resolution to the bereaved family and CRMC, for information.

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ADOPTED, Muharram 28, 1445/August 15, 2023.

Attested:

TTY. PANGALIAN M. BALINDONG

Speaker

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