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## **JOURNAL NO. 15**

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## CALL TO ORDER

At 5:07 p.m., the President of the Constitutional Commission, the Honorable Cecilia Muñoz Palma, called the session to order.

#### NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PRAYER

The National Anthem was sung followed by a prayer led by Mr. Vicente B. Foz, to wit:

Almighty God, give us the strength to work harder than ever before. Teach us to share further the little that we know and have, so we, Your servants, may achieve our common goal.

Make us forget our self-interests, prejudices, suspicions, intolerance and hatred, and listen to our people who are far wiser than us. Persuade those of our people who would still revere on a pedestal a fallen and false idol, to go the way of peace.

Help us, Lord, to meet our self-imposed deadline, for the sake of our nation and Your greater glory.

Amen.

## **ROLL CALL**

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary-General of the Commission called the Roll and the following Members responded:

Abubakar, Lerum, E.R. Y.R.

Alonto, A.D. Maambong, R.E.

Aquino, F.S. Monsod, C.S.

Azcuna, A.S. Natividad, T.C.

Bacani, T.C. Nieva, M.T.F.

Bennagen, Nolledo, J.N. P.L.

Bernas, J.G. Padilla, A.B.

Rosario Muñoz Palma, C. Braid, F.

Brocka, L.O. Quesada, M.L.M.

Calderon, Rama, N.G.

De Castro, Regalado, F.D.

C.M.

Colayco, J.C. De los Reyes, R.F.

Concepcion, Rigos, C.A.

R.R.

Davide, H.G. Rodrigo, F.A.

Foz, V.B. Romulo, R.J.

Garcia, E.G. Rosales, D.R.

Gascon,

Sarmiento, R.V.

J.L.M.C.

Guingona, S.V.C.

Suarez, J.E.

Jamir,

A.M.K.

Sumulong, L.M.

Tadeo, J.S.L. Uka, L.L.

Tan, C. Villacorta, W.V.

Tingson,

Villegas, B.M.

G.J.

Treñas, E.B.

With 45 Members present, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum.

The following Members appeared after the Roll Call:

Bengzon, Ople, B.F. J.F.S.

Mr. Laurel was absent.

# READING AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

On motion of Mr. Alonto, there being no objection, the reading of the Journal of the previous session was dispensed with and the said Journal was approved by the Body.

## REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On motion of Mr. Alonto, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Reference of Business.

## REFERRAL TO COMMITTEES OF RESOLUTIONS

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary-General read, on First Reading, the titles of the following proposed Resolutions which were, in turn, referred by the Chair to the Committees hereunder indicated:

Proposed Resolution No. 216, entitled:

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE PHILIPPINES AS A NUCLEAR-FREE COUNTRY AND SHALL NOT BE USED FOR STORING OR STOCKPILING NUCLEAR WEAPONS OR DEVICES

Introduced by Honorable de los Reyes, Jr.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PREAMBLE, NATIONAL TERRITORY AND DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

Proposed Resolution No. 217, entitled:

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A CATEGORICAL COMMITMENT TO SECURE A BETTER MORAL ENVIRONMENT FOR OUR COUNTRY

Introduced by Honorable de los Reyes, Jr.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PREAMBLE, NATIONAL TERRITORY AND DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

Proposed Resolution No. 218, entitled:

RESOLUTION INCLUDING BETRAYAL OF PUBLIC TRUST AS ADDITIONAL GROUND FOR IMPEACHMENT

Introduced by Honorable de los Reyes, Jr,

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS

Proposed Resolution No. 219, entitled:

RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT THE EXPLOITATION, DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION OF FISHING GROUNDS AND MARINE PRODUCTS BE RESERVED TO FILIPINO CITIZENS

Introduced by Honorable Sarmiento and Tadeo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL ECONOMY AND PATRIMONY

Proposed Resolution No. 220, entitled:

RESOLUTION FOR CREATING A MULTISECTORAL COMMITTEE IN EVERY PRIVATE SCHOOL TO OVERSEE FINANCIAL MATTERS

Introduced by Honorable Villacorta and Gascon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

Proposed Resolution No. 221, entitled:

RESOLUTION TO INCORPORATE IN THE NEW CONSTITUTION A PROVISION DECLARING THAT ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STATE AND THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Honorable Quesada and Bennagen

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PREAMBLE, NATIONAL TERRITORY AND DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

Proposed Resolution No. 222, entitled:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING PROVISIONS ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR INCLUSION IN THE PROPOSED NEW CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by Honorable Quesada, Bennagen and Villacorta

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

Proposed Resolution No. 223, entitled:

RESOLUTION TO INCORPORATE IN THE NEW CONSTITUTION A PROVISION PROHIBITING ELECTIVE AND APPOINTIVE OFFICIALS FROM OBTAINING LOANS FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES FROM GOVERNMENT-OWNED BANKS OR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Introduced by Honorable Davide, Jr.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS

Proposed Resolution No. 224, entitled:

RESOLUTION TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE JUDICIARY BY GRANTING THE SUPREME COURT AUTOMATIC AUTHORITY TO AUGMENT ANY ITEM OF THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE JUDICIARY FROM SAVINGS IN OTHER ITEMS OF SUCH APPROPRIATIONS

Introduced by Honorable Davide, Jr.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Proposed Resolution No. 225, entitled:

RESOLUTION TO STRENGTHEN FURTHER THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS BY GRANTING IT EXCLUSIVE AUTHORITY TO DEPUTIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES AND THE ARMED FORCES, IF NECESSARY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENSURING FREE, ORDERLY HONEST, AND CLEAN ELECTIONS

Introduced by Honorable Davide, Jr.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSIONS AND AGENCIES

Proposed Resolution No. 226, entitled:

RESOLUTION TO ARRANGE THE PROVISIONS IN THE BILL OF RIGHTS IN LOGICAL SEQUENCE TO FACILITATE COMPREHENSION BY THE PEOPLE

Introduced by Honorable Villegas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP, BILL OF RIGHTS, POLITICAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Proposed Resolution No. 227, entitled:

RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE A SEPARATE ARTICLE ON SOCIAL JUSTICE AND TO SET CRITERIA FOR DISTINGUISHING ITS PROVISIONS FROM THOSE PROPER TO THE BILL OF RIGHTS AND OTHER ARTICLES

Introduced by Honorable Villegas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL JUSTICE AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Proposed Resolution No. 228, entitled:

RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE AS SECTION ON THE ARTICLE STATING OUR DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES A COLLECTIVE VISION OF THE FILIPINO PEOPLE

Introduced by Honorable Rosario Braid

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PREAMBLE, NATIONAL TERRITORY AND DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Communication No. 25 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Communication from the Deputy Executive Secretary, transmitting a draft constitution submitted by Mr. Floro S. Caritan, national nominee for the Constitutional Commission

TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE

Communication No. 26 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Communication from the Executive Secretary, transmitting a letter from Mr. Bernardo S. Ugsalan of Talakag, Bukidnon, requesting prerogatives for tribal chieftains in their respective localities and the preservation of ancestral lands of national cultural minorities

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL PROVISIONS

Communication No. 27 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Letter from the Honorable Froilan M. Bacuñgan, Commission on Elections, transmitting proposals focusing on civil, political and human rights

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP, BILL OF RIGHTS, POLITICAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Communication No. 28 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Letter from the Honorable Commissioner Cirilo A. Rigos, enclosing a resolution of the National Movement for Dual Filipino American