

SPPR NO. 2015- 11266

RESOLUTION MOST RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE HONORABLE SENATOR AQUILINO MARTIN DE LLANA PIMENTEL III, SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES, TO PASS A BILL GRANTING A PERIOD OF RECESS FROM REGULAR SESSIONS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

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WHEREAS, the Filipino people, thru the Constitution vest sole power to the Philippine Congress to enact laws that involves the constituency of every region in the country, more so, of the bills that bear significance to the affairs of local government officials of every local government unit throughout the nation;

WHEREAS, the 17th Sangguniang Panlungsod of General Santos City sets the date, time and venue of its Regular Session every Tuesday of the week, and Special Sessions whenever public interest so demands, as further stipulated under Section 38 of its Internal Rules of Procedure which was adopted thru Internal Resolution No. 05, Series of 2013;

WHEREAS, the members of this *Sanggunian* avail a period of recess solely within each period of session and after each session's adjournment which are the mere times that each Councilor can have a break from the rigors of plenary deliberations, not to mention the conduct of public or committee hearings of its Regular Committees at any given schedule of all working days;

WHEREAS, in its discharge of legislative and quasi-judicial powers and functions, this *Sanggunian* hereby expresses its utmost need to have a recess that would specifically grant a period of "continuing break", hence, certain number of days which shall be voted and declared upon by the City Council Members within each regular or special sessions of the yearly schedule, as defined under its Internal Rules of Procedure;

WHEREAS, this recess shall be intended to give way for the SP Members to attend to important activities and such other occasions needing personal attention or sympathy with the constituents, thus, it shall not be construed as a vacation that the City Council would stop working;

WHEREAS, this Body further stresses that this requested recess will only hold the legislative duties of every City Councilor inside the Session Hall, thereby, it would still give them the time to do other forms of public service since they would make themselves accessible to their constituency at all times;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of City Councilor Ramon R. Melliza, duly seconded by City Councilors _____ be it -

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, most respectfully request the Honorable Senator Aquilino Martin De Llana Pimentel III, Senate of the Philippines, to pass a bill granting a period of recess from regular sessions to local government officials.

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