



REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
PAMAHALAANG LUNGSOD NG MUNTINLUPA
KALAKHANG MAYNILA

Sangguniang Panglungsod

RESOLUTION NO. 04-019

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO ANY MOVE BY THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT TO REDUCE OR DELAY THE RELEASE OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE ALLOTMENT (IRA) TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs).

Sponsored by: Hon. Atty. Raul R. Corro
Hon. Rene Carl S. Cayetano
Hon. Allan Rey A. Camilon
Hon. Elmer S. Espeleta
Hon. Ma. Luisa Babaran-Echavez, M.D.
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Hon. Melchor R. Teves
Hon. Marissa Cole-Rongavilla
Hon. Allen F. Ampaya
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Hon. Mario E. Bulay, Jr.
Hon. Artemio A. Simundac
Hon. Christian Glenn D. Lorica

WHEREAS, the *1987 Constitution* and *R.A 7160*, otherwise known as the *New Local Government Code of 1991*, both ensure that Local Government Units shall enjoy local autonomy to make them self-reliant communities and effective partners in the attainment of national goals;

WHEREAS, local autonomy is meaningless without fiscal autonomy;

WHEREAS, a major portion of the income of local government units come from the *Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA)* guaranteed by the Local Government Code to be automatically released by the National Government to the different LGU's;

WHEREAS, the National Government is planning to reduce or delay the release of the Internal Revenue Allotment to the Local Government Units considering the fiscal crisis the country is facing at present;

WHEREAS, the plan was also proposed by *Albay Rep. Jose Salceda*, a member of the President's Economic Management Group, when he sought the declaration of a "*fiscal crisis*" to pave the way for the partial suspension or the automatic release of the share of LGU's in the national tax collection;

WHEREAS, the proposal to withhold *Twenty Billion Pesos (P20,000,000,000.00)* from the funds of the LGUs will definitely cause undue damage to the *79 provinces, 115 cities, 1,495 municipalities, and 41,932 barangays* in the country;



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WHEREAS, LGUs will greatly suffer from the IRA reduction because the current budgetary requirements of the LGUs are heavily dependent on the IRAs and will seriously impair the delivery of essential public services;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa in session assembled to express its opposition to any move by the national government to reduce or delay the Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) to Local Government Units (LGUs).

RESOLVED FURTHER, that this resolution be furnished to the *Office of the President, Office of the Senate President and Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.*


APPROVED, by the *Fourth (4th) Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa* this *9th* day of *September 2004*, on its *10th* Regular Session.

CONCURRED:


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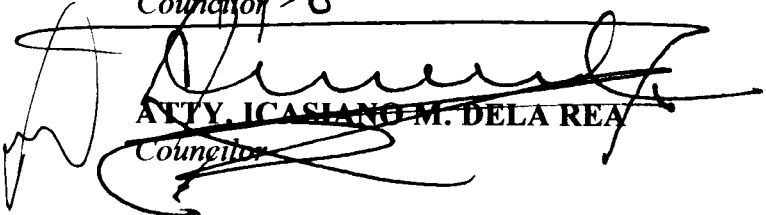
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Councilor

I HEREBY CERTIFY, as to the correctness of the foregoing Resolution.

CECILIA C. LAZARTE
*Secretary
Sangguniang Panlungsod*

ATTESTED:

ALDRIN L. SAN PEDRO
City Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

ATTY. JAIME R. FRESNEDI
City Mayor

Date: _____

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