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SENATE

P.S. Res. No. \_\_\_293\_

## Introduced by Sen. Win Gatchalian

## RESOLUTION

CREATING AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TASKED TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SENATE BUILDING AND THE RELOCATION OF THE SENATE THERETO

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Senate has been renting from the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) in Pasay City, the use of its building as Senators' Office, Session Hall and Committee Hearing Rooms since May 1997;

**WHEREAS**, the annual expense for this rental amounts to Php169.5 Million, not to mention the cost of maintenance and repairs for refurbishment of the decrepit structures, and the supplementary rent for satellite offices to accommodate the additional number of the senators' staff;

**WHEREAS**, the Lower House of Congress has been comfortably nestled in their own building with sprawling space and verdant view unlike the claustrophobic halls and gloomy atmosphere of the leased premises now occupied by the Senate;

**WHEREAS**, several proposals over the years have prompted Senators to seek the relocation and construction of a new building on a permanent site to house the Senate offices because of cost-efficiency and the amenity of finding a more conducive, suitable site to accommodate the requirements of the legislators and the Senate employees as a whole:

**WHEREAS**, the transfer must also take into consideration, accessibility of public transport for the commuting Senate employees and staff, location that averts becoming a part of an already worsening traffic congestion, as well as availability of fund source for the proposed site and building construction: Now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED BY THE SENATE**, To create an ad hoc committee tasked to conduct a feasibility study on the construction of a new Senate building and the relocation of the Senate thereto.

Adopted,

WIN GATCHALIAN