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**COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD  
JOINT WITH COMMITTEES ON FINANCE, TRADE,  
COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

DATE : 20 August 2019

FOR : SEN. SONNY ANGARA, *Chair, Committee on Finance*  
SEN. AQUILINO "KOKO" PIMENTEL III, *Chair, Committee on Trade,  
Commerce and Entrepreneurship*  
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SEN. FRANKLIN M. DRILON, *Ex-Officio Member*

FROM : SEN. CYNTHIA A. VILLAR  
*Chairperson, Committee on Agriculture and Food*

ON : Public Hearing on Proposed Senate Resolution Nos. 36, 39, 57, 63,  
70 and Privilege Speech of Sen. Pangilinan entitled "Rice Tarrification"

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Please be informed that the Committee on Agriculture and Food joint with the Committees on Finance; Trade, Commerce and Entrepreneurship will hold a Public

Hearing on Wednesday, 28 August 2019, 9:00 a.m., Sen. Tañada Rm., 2nd Floor, Senate of the Philippines, GSIS Bldg., Pasay City, to tackle the following:

- 1) P. S. Resolution No. 36, introduced by Sen. Pangilinan, entitled:

**“RESOLUTION  
DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD TO  
CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE IMPACT OF  
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11203 OR THE RICE TARIFFICATION ACT ON RICE  
FARMERS AND THE LOCAL RICE INDUSTRY”**

- 2) P.S. Resolution No. 39, introduced by Sen. Villar, entitled:

**“RESOLUTION  
DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND  
FOOD TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO  
THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT 11203 OR THE RICE  
COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND (RCEF) LAW, IN LIGHT  
OF THE NEED TO CLOSELY MONITOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION BY  
THE DESIGNATED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, AS THIS LAW  
INVOLVES A VERY IMPORTANT AND SENSITIVE COMMODITY-  
RICE- FOR EVERY FILIPINO, AND TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE  
ALLOCATED FOR THE PURPOSE ACTUALLY INTENDED”**

- 3) P.S. Resolution No. 57, introduced by Sen. Recto, entitled:

**“A RESOLUTION  
DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN  
AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE IMPACT OF THE LIBERALIZATION OF RICE  
IMPORTATION, EXPORTATION AND TRADE ON PRODUCTION AND FARMGATE  
PRICE OF PALAY AND RETAIL PRICE OF RICE, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF  
PROTECTING THE INTERESTS AND WELFARE OF FILIPINO RICE FARMERS AND  
CONSUMERS”**

- 4) P.S. Resolution No. 63, introduced by Sen. De Lima, entitled:

**“RESOLUTION  
DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID  
OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED SLOW AND INEFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11203, OR THE RICE TARIFFICATION ACT, LEADING TO  
PLUMMETING PALAY PRICES AND INDUSTRY-WIDE LOSSES GRAVELY AFFECTING OUR  
LOCAL AGRICULTURAL SECTOR AND FARMING COMMUNITIES”**

- 5) P.S. Resolution No. 70, introduced by Sen. Hontiveros, entitled:

**“A RESOLUTION  
URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD TO CONDUCT AN  
INQUIRY ON THE STATUS AND PROGRESS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RA 11203 OR  
THE RICE TARIFFICATION LAW, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO ITS IMPACT ON RICE  
FARMERS AND THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF CRAFTING  
LEGISLATION TO ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF OUR DOMESTIC PRODUCERS AND  
AGRICULTURAL SECTOR”**

- 6) **Privilege Speech** of Senator Francis "Kiko" N. Pangilinan entitled: "**Rice Tarrification**," delivered during the session of the Senate on August 13, 2019.

Your presence in this hearing will be highly appreciated.

FOR THE CHAIRPERSON:

SEN. CYNTHIA A. VILLAR

  
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