

Republic of the Philippines
City of Davao
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____
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**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCE TO THE PITAO FAMILY FOR
THE SENSELESS DEATH OF REBELYN PITAO**

WHEREAS, March 8, 2009 was International Women's Day, while the 10th Women Summit was attended by almost a thousand women from all over Davao City last March 4, and more than two thousand (2,000) women and men walked and gathered at Rizal park for the solidarity gathering affirming women's rights and equality and emancipation from poverty, oppression and violence last March 6;

WHEREAS, even before women could cry STOP... to all forms of violence against women and children, a very sad news hugged the local papers, television and media in the city;

WHEREAS, we are all shocked at the brutal and senseless death of a very young woman named Rebelyn Pitao who is also the 20-year old daughter of ranking NPA Commander Leoncio Pitao, a.k.a. Commander Parago;

WHEREAS, is being the daughter of Commander Parago a crime? Who are the monster and the cowards who took the life of an innocent woman simply because they couldn't catch her father?;

WHEREAS, the gruesome murder of Rebelyn was a barbaric act and all forms of atrocities have no place in a civilized society;

WHEREAS, we strongly condemn the killing of Rebelyn Pitao;

WHEREAS, Mayor Rodrigo Duterte said it well when he said that it was a "deed most foul," and our Mayor is on top of the situation in investigating this heinous crime;

WHEREAS, we deeply condole with the family of Rebelyn; it is hard enough to lose a husband, but harder will to lose a beloved daughter;

WHEREAS, beyond the collective reactions of horror and condemnation is the unified expression of deepest sympathy and condolence of the entire Davao community to the Pitao family;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that this Body pass a resolution expressing its deepest sympathy and condolence to the Pitao family.

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