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Honorable ROGELIO J. ESPINA, M.D.

Chairman
Committee on Population and Family Relations
House of Representatives
Quezon City

Dear Congressman Espina:

The Department of Social Welfare and Development supports the passage of House Bill No. 5381, entitled: "An Act Creating A National Senior Vision Services Program For Elderly Persons With Functional Visual Impairments," introduced by Representative Estrellita B. Suangsing that seeks to establish a national senior vision services program to the elderly that will provide comprehensive services to the elderly persons who suffer from visual impairments.

For consideration of the Committee, the Department recommends the adoption of the definition of "elderly" found under Republic Act No. 9257 for consistency.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


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Officer-In-Charge