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**HONORABLE SALVIO B. FORTUNO**

Chairperson

Committee on Poverty Alleviation

House of Representatives

Constitution Hills, Quezon City

**Dear Honorable Congressman Fortunato:**

This has reference to the request of the Committee on Poverty Alleviation for our Department's official position on House Bill Nos. 25, 598, 452 and 1364 on the Magna Carta of the Poor.

In line with this, we wish to inform the Honorable Congressman that DSWD, as Chair of the Human Development and Poverty Reduction (HDPR) Cluster, was tasked by President Benigno S. Aquino III to craft the Administration's Version of the Magna Carta of the Poor after it was vetoed on 25 March 2013.

Relative to this, our position is for the adoption of the said version at the House of Representatives thru the Committee on Poverty Alleviation. We shall ensure that the Honorable Congressman is provided a copy of this document once approved by the HDPR Cluster.

With renewed assurances of our continuing support and cooperation.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

  
**CORAZON JULIANO SOLIMAN**  
Secretary