People’s National Coalition for Revolutionary Government and Charter-Change

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Earnestly appealing to the Filipino people to join us in declaring a revolutionary government and for charter change, a presidential-federal-parliamentary system of government

Whereas, most of the developing countries of the world resorted to either revolutionary government or charter change or both to attain social, economic, cultural and political reforms that assure to themselves and to the next generations’ better and prosperous future. They succeeded;

Whereas, in the Philippines, our people have staged revolutions in the 18th and 19th century to attain freedom and economic development. The most recent of which is the peaceful and non-violent EDSA “people power” Revolution that the Church initiated with the support of the men and women in uniform;

Whereas, in the EDSA Revolution, the late President Corazon C. Aquino, after her installation as President, declared a Revolutionary Government, not only to dismantle the apparatus of Martial Law and to remove from office the local elected officials, but also to pave the way for the adoption of a new Constitution – dubbed as the 1987 “freedom constitution,” which they did;

Whereas, the Martial Law, which is, in all intent and purposes, equivalent in many aspects of governance to a Revolutionary Government, was proclaimed by then President Ferdinand E. Marcos. This is to eliminate the threat of insurgency whose objective is to take over the duly established democratic government by force and through the barrel of the gun-sowing terror and anarchy in the country;

Whereas, in the Philippines, it was during the Martial Law regime that the 1973 Constitution was written and ratified by the Filipino people in a plebiscite called for the purpose. Here in our country, writing a Constitution is done either through a Constitutional Convention, Constituent Assembly or People’s Initiative- “the power of the people”, that the people of the world so recognized;

Whereas, as we fight the COVID-19 pandemic that must be won, the war against illegal drugs, corruption, criminality, insurgency, and poverty of our people which President Rodrigo Roa Duterte vowed to put an end before his term expires, our people has to provide him the necessary powers to fulfill his advocacies as promised during his campaign, for which he was voted in the 2016 Presidential Elections, most particularly, the promise of Federalism as conceived first by our forefathers, whom we must not fail;

Whereas, to finally put to rest the clamor for Charter Change, a new Constitution embodying the genuine hopes and great dreams of the Filipino people must be adopted. One that is suitable to their political aspirations and responsive to the needs of the time;

Whereas, even as we implore the aid of the Divine Providence for the adoption of a new Constitution via Constitutional Convention or Constitutional Assembly which is no longer viable due to lack of material
time, the taking of an extraordinary path is our last and only recourse which is the declaration of a Revolutionary Government through peaceful means, has become urgent. This is to save our country from crumbling and falling apart, our people from desperation, the Filipino youth from hopelessness.

WHEREAS, in the fulfillment of his avowed commitment to charter change, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, to whom we have pinned our hope, created a Constitutional Committee that drafted the so-called “Bayanihan Constitution” and transmitted the same to Congress. However, its members failed to get their acts and minds together to decisively act on it with finality. God bless the Philippine Congress;

WHEREAS, with all the ills of our society that must be healed soonest, our recourse to a Revolutionary Government under the enlightened leadership and guidance of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte is absolutely necessary;

WHEREFORE, We, the coalition of nationalist and patriotic organizations and the concerned citizens of our country (a People’s Transformation Movement), do hereby earnestly appeal to the entire Filipino people to join us in the establishment of a Revolutionary Government for a period not exceeding June 30, 2022 and for the adoption of a new Constitution.

In the Revolutionary Government, with the incumbent President as the head, he shall have powers aside from those powers he has under the 1987 Constitution, as follows:

A. Public Health and Safety. Strengthen the powers of the Regional Development Councils (RDCs) in addressing the COVID-19 pandemic in their respective regions and in addressing the economic difficulties of our people, and, most of all, the building of hospitals in all municipalities, cities, districts and provinces, equipped with modern and appropriate medical technologies and facilities.

B. Ills of the society. Elimination of the ills of the society such as illegal drugs, corruption, criminality, insurgency and poverty. With the enormity of these problems, we cannot attain national unity and even aspire for greatness. Kawawa naman tayo;

C. Removal of the unfit. Purging and removal from the government service of officials and employees accused of corruption, inefficiency and abuse of powers, if evidence so warrant. Keeping these people in the government service is pulling down the President at ang buong Bayan;

D. Political Reform. Submission of the draft “Bayanihan Constitution” labelled as People’s Constitution for review and ratification by the people. This is the people’s power or will of the people following the legal maxim, that “the will of the people is the supreme law” (vox populi est suprema lex). This is the last and only chance para makamit natin ang tunay na pagbabago sa ating Bansa;

E. Governance.
   E.1. Creation of a Commission that will take actual possession and control of the hidden wealth of the country, which is acknowledged by world leaders. This will save the country from economic depression and our people from hunger and poverty.
   E.2. Creation of a National Traffic Management Council to manage the worsening traffic crisis in the country. We are losing hundreds of billions of pesos due to the traffic congestion.
   E.3. Creation of a Department for Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) to focus in looking after the welfare of our OFWs, who contributed tremendously to our economic growth.
   E.4. To address the slow pace of legislation and the slow wheel of justice that results to injustices;
F. Economic Fundamentals and Environmental Protection:
F.1. Adoption of Agro-Industrial and Export-Oriented Economy;
F.2. Eliminating monopoly and promote trade liberalization;
F.3. Promoting equal economic opportunities for all;
F.4. Nationalization of the ownership and operations of communication, transportation, electricity and water works, and, if necessary, engage in Public-Private Partnership (PPPs);
F.5. Massive food production in government and private lands to attain national sufficiency;
F.6. Establishment of Public Markets in all Municipalities, and Barangays;
F.7. Establishment of a National Railway System and the construction of Skyway along EDSA
F.8. Protecting the Integrity of Philippine environment from illegal mining, deforestation. Preservation of our seashores, rivers, lakes and other bodies of water to respond to the looming water crisis;
F.9. Enhance the promotion of “cooperativism” at the barangay level including the establishment of local cooperative banks;
F.10. Train and develop local entrepreneurs to ensure the active participation of the poor and the marginalized, in the development of our country’s inclusive economic growth;
F.11. Creation of People’s Consultative Economic Council with the participation of the National Economic Development Authority that will assist in the formulation of economic policies;

G. Cultural Revolution
G.1. Enhance the promotion of nationalism and patriotism;
G.2. Cultural re-awakening;
G.3. Values formation in all aspects of governance and in our national life;

RESOLVED, to appeal, as we are now appealing to the Filipino people, to join us in declaring a Revolutionary Government, and our call, as we are now calling, for Charter Change;

RESOLVED FURTHER, to appeal, as we are now appealing to President Rodrigo Roa Duterte to head the Revolutionary Government for the sake of our country and people, and in the name of the Almighty God;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that the Revolutionary Government that we are pursuing shall reign over our country and people, only up to June 30, 2022.

Unanimously approved this 22nd day of August, 2020 at Clark Freeport Zone, Pampanga, Philippines.