



Office of the President of the Philippines  
**PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN POOR**  
Malacañang, Manila

**COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 01**  
**Series 2019**

**“A RESOLUTION APPEALING TO THE CHURCH”**

**WHEREAS,** The Presidential Commission for the Urban poor (PCUP) adopted a RESOLUTION, asking the Catholic Church particularly its leadership of Bishop under the CBCP, to consider the following, under the context and principles of humanitarian consideration in the plight of the poor for a decent housing and upliftment of their condition.

**WHEREAS,** The 1987 Constitution clearly defines the principles of separation of Church and the State. We, in PCUP strongly appeals to the Catholic Church to make an inventory of its idle lands. With no actual land use purpose for them, we appeal to them that they donate these lands to the government (LGU and NATIONAL GOVERNMENT) for possible relocation site of informal settlers. This is an act of Christianity and Act of Christ in serving those who are less fortunate and neglected.

**WHEREAS,** Under the Corporal Works of Mercy of Jesus Christ:


- 1) Feed the hungry.
- 2) Give drink to the Thirsty
- 3) Clothe the Naked
- 4) Shelter the Homeless
- 5) Visit those in prison
- 6) Comfort for the sick
- 7) Bury the dead

**WHEREAS,** Instead of challenging the present administration of President Rodrigo R. Duterte, the church should look deeper into itself as an Institution task to provide salvation to the people of Jesus Christ. Don't put accusing fingers to other institution or individuals before re-examine the Church you are serving. Are we really serving? I hope the Catholic Church will reconsider our appeal for the betterment of the informal settlers.

**NOW THEREFORE,** be it resolved, as it is hereby resolved, that the PCUP approves and supports the **RESOLUTION APPEALING TO THE CHURCH.**

**Approved and adopted** on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019 at Quezon City, Philippines.

  
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