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## **RESOLUTION NO. 22**

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE MILAGROSA T. TAN, GOVERNOR OF THE PROVINCE OF SAMAR (2001 to 2010 and 2019), AND FORMER REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECOND DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF SAMAR (2010 to 2019)

WHEREAS, the Honorable Milagrosa T. Tan, a native of the Province of Samar, elected and served as the first female Governor of the Province of Samar for the period of 2001 to 2010; became a Member of the House of Representatives for the period of 2010 to 2019, representing the Second District of the Province of Samar; and currently serving as Governor of the Province of Samar for the period of 2019 to 2022, passed away at 7:50 p.m., 30 November 2019, at the age of sixty-one (61);

WHEREAS, in 1998, she entered public office as a Provincial Board Member, after the death of her husband, former Provincial Board Member, Ricardo Tan. Both spouses were reluctant to seek public office, given that they were entrepreneurs engaged in general merchandising and microlending. However, their closeness to their constituents and how they relate to the masses proved to be a skill that worked to their advantage, especially in the Province of Samar. In 2001, she ran for governor and won against the incumbent Jose Roño, former Deputy Prime Minister of then President Ferdinand E. Marcos, and served the Province of Samar for three (3) terms until 2010;

WHEREAS, after serving as Governor, she easily won the Congressional Seat for the Second District of the Province of Samar and served for three (3) terms until 2019. As a Member of the House of Representatives, she worked for the interest of the Province of Samar despite huge obstacles, often at great personal sacrifice, regardless of party affiliation;

WHEREAS, in 2019, she returned to her old post as Governor of the Province of Samar after defeating Emil Zosa, a former military intelligence officer of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and immediately resumed her work for the betterment of the Province of Samar;

WHEREAS, the nation lost a reluctant but dedicated public servant in the person of the Honorable Milagrosa T. Tan. She will be missed not only by her family, including her daughter and our very own Honorable Sharee Ann T. Tan, Representative of the Second District of the Province of Samar and the rest of her family, but the nation as well, especially the Province of Samar: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, To express, as it hereby expresses, its profound sympathy and sincere condolences on the death of the Honorable Milagrosa T. Tan, first female Governor of the Province of Samar (2001 to 2010 and 2019), and former Member of the House of Representatives of the Second District of the Province of Samar (2010 to 2019).

We join the Filipino people, the Province of Samar, and the Honorable Sharee Ann T. Tan in mourning for such a great loss.

Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the family of the Honorable Milagrosa T. Tan.

Adopted,

ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO Speaker

This Resolution, in consolidation with House Resolution No. 560, was adopted by the House of Representatives on December 4, 2019.

Jose Luis G. Montales Secretary General