



Republic of the Philippines  
**House of Representatives**  
Quezon City, Metro Manila

Eighteenth Congress  
First Regular Session



HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 941

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**Introduced by Representatives Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano,  
Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez and Bienvenido M. Abante, Jr.**

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**RESOLUTION**

**EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF HONORABLE MARTIN B. ISIDRO, FORMER REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FIRST LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF MANILA DURING THE EIGHTH, NINTH, AND TENTH CONGRESSES**

**WHEREAS**, Honorable Martin B. Isidro passed away on May 28, 2020 at the age of 91;

**WHEREAS**, “*Tata Martin*” or “*Kakang Sid*,” as Honorable Isidro was fondly called by his constituents, family, and friends, was survived by his loving wife, Melliza Villa Ignacio, and their three children, namely: Martin, Jr., Marvin, and Melvyn;

**WHEREAS**, Tata Martin studied Political Science at Manuel L. Quezon University and Arellano University, earned his Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of the Philippines, and was admitted to the Philippine Bar in 1955;

**WHEREAS**, during his early years in government service as City Councilor, and then as Vice Mayor of Manila from 1972 to 1975, he exemplified steadfast dedication as presiding officer of the City Council and in promoting city development projects and the delivery of social services to his constituents;

**WHEREAS**, Honorable Isidro was elected as Member of the House of Representatives from 1987 to 1998, representing the First Legislative District of the City of Manila for three consecutive terms, during the Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Congresses, in which he held the prominent positions of Assistant Majority Floor



Leader and Chairperson of the Committee of Labor and Employment during the Tenth Congress;

**WHEREAS**, as a Member of the House of Representatives, Honorable Isidro was a dynamic, passionate, and hardworking public servant, notably focused on issues concerning labor and employment, public order and security, and the promotion of the welfare of civil servants;

**WHEREAS**, in 1992, as a member of the Committee on Labor and Employment of the House of Representatives, he was one of the advisers of the Philippine delegation to the Seventy-ninth Session of the International Labour Conference held in Geneva;

**WHEREAS**, during his stint as Representative of the First Legislative District of the City of Manila, he shepherded the approval and was principal author of several important laws, including Republic Act (RA) No. 7279, also known as the "*Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992*;" RA 7479, entitled "*An Act Naming the Airfield at the Sangley Point Naval and Air Training Station to Major Danilo Atienza Airfield, Sangley Point*;" RA 7581, also known as the "*Price Act*;" RA 7658, entitled "*An Act Prohibiting the Employment of Children Below 15 Years of Age in Public and Private Undertakings, Amending for this Purpose, Section 12, Article VIII of R.A. 7610*;" RA 7716, entitled "*An Act Restructuring the Value-Added Tax (VAT) System, Widening its Tax Base and Enhancing its Administration, and for these Purposes Amending and Repealing the Relevant Provisions of the National Internal Revenue Code, as Amended, and for Other Purposes*;" RA 8291, entitled "*An Act Amending Presidential Decree No. 1146, as Amended, Expanding and Increasing the Coverage and Benefits of the Government Service Insurance System, Instituting Reforms Therein and for Other Purposes*;" and RA 8294, entitled "*An Act Amending the Provisions of Presidential Decree No. 1866, as Amended, Entitled 'Codifying the Laws on Illegal/Unlawful Possession, Manufacture, Dealing in, Acquisition or Disposition of Firearms, Ammunition or Explosives or Instruments Used in the Manufacture of Firearms, Ammunition or Explosives, and Imposing Stiffer Penalties for Certain Violations Thereof, and for Relevant Purposes'*";

**WHEREAS**, from 1986 to 1987, he served as President of the Manila Bulletin Publishing Corporation, and from 2003 to 2020, he served as Director, Senior Vice President, Corporate Information Officer, Assistant Corporate Counsel, and Corporate Secretary of the Philippine Trust Company, also known as the PhilTrust Bank;

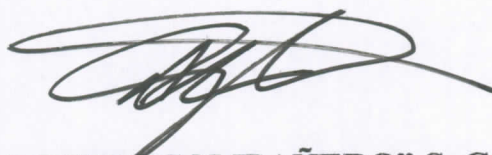
**WHEREAS**, his selfless and genuine concern for the welfare of others, especially those who have less in life, was the mark of a true son of Tondo and earned him the respect and admiration of his constituents, colleagues, and friends;

**WHEREAS**, former Representative Isidro will always be remembered with grateful affection for his dedicated and unselfish commitment to the public and the institutions which he faithfully served, and for being an inspiration to the people of Manila: Now, therefore, be it

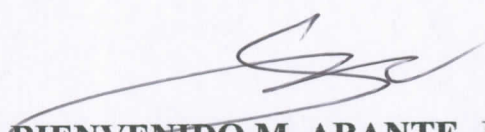
**RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**, To express its profound condolences to the family of Honorable Martin B. Isidro, former Representative of the First Legislative District of the City of Manila during the Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Congresses.

**RESOLVED, FURTHER**, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the bereaved family of the deceased.

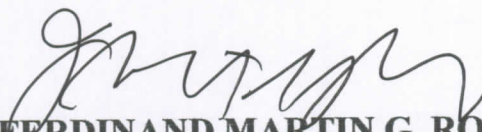
Adopted,



**ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO**



**BIENVENIDO M. ABANTE, JR.**



**FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ**