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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO, FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ AND BIENVENIDO M. ABANTE, JR.

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF HONORABLE ELNORITA P. TUGUNG, FORMER REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LONE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF BASILAN DURING THE NINTH CONGRESS

WHEREAS, Honorable Elnorita P. Tugung passed away on December 8, 2019 at the age of 80;

WHEREAS, a loving mother, a conscientious teacher, and a dedicated public servant, former Representative Tugung was married to the late Ulama "Bob" Tugung, Al Haj, and was survived by her children: Yusuf Ashraf "Joey" Tugung, Nuraiza Tugung-Arevalo, Ulbert Ulama "Bimbo" Tugung II, and Princess Nahla Tugung;

WHEREAS, always giving her best in pursuing the best interests for God, people and country, former Representative Elnorita P. Tugung served: as the chairperson of the Lupong Tagapagpaganap ng Pook, Regional Autonomous Government in Region IX, (the forerunner of Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao) and as Representative of the Lone Legislative District of the Province of Basilan from 1992 to 1995;

WHEREAS, as former Representative of the Lone Legislative District of the Province of Basilan, she principally authored Republic Act (RA) No. 8126, entitled "An Act Granting the R.T. Broadcast Specialist Philippines a Franchise to Construct, Establish, Operate and Maintain Radio and Television Broadcasting Stations in Mindanao;" and RA 8132, entitled "An Act Granting Jose M. Luison and Sons, Inc., a Franchise to Construct, Install, Operate and Maintain For Commercial Purposes Radio and Television Broadcasting Stations in the Philippines;"

WHEREAS, she was also one of the co-authors of landmark laws such as RA 7652, otherwise known as the "Investors' Lease Act;" RA 7687, otherwise known as the "Science and Technology Scholarship Act of 1994;" and RA 7903, otherwise known as the "Zamboanga City Special Economic Zone Act of 1995;"

WHEREAS, among other equally important measures, she also authored House Bill (HB) No. 3962 which proposed to rationalize the equitable distribution of scholarship grants available to members of the cultural minorities, and HB 4827 which proposed to grant fiscal autonomy to all state universities and colleges (SUCs) and prescribed the composition and functions of their governing boards;

WHEREAS, during her stint in the House of Representatives during the Ninth Congress, former Representative Tugung served as the vice-chairperson of Committee on Social Services and Women, and as member of various committees including Committee on Education and Culture, Legislative Franchises, Muslim Affairs, National Cultural Communities, Environment and Natural Resources, and Trade and Industry, where her colleagues attested to her dedication to duty and gentleness but firm resolve in executing the legislative agenda;

WHEREAS, former Representative Tugung will always be remembered by her constituents for her intelligence, professionalism, integrity, and commitment to serve the people of Basilan: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, To express the profound condolences of the House of Representatives to the family of Honorable Elnorita P. Tugung, former Representative of the Lone Legislative District of Basilan during the Ninth Congress.

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

Adopted,

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