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House of Representatives
Metro Manila
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Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-second day of July, two thousand nineteen.

RESOLUTION NO. 11

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE JESUS MARINO "RENE" G. ESPINA, A GREAT FILIPINO PUBLIC SERVANT, FORMER SENATOR (1970 - 1973), GOVERNOR OF THE PROVINCE OF CEBU (1963 - 1969), SECRETARY OF PUBLIC WORKS, TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS, AND ADMINISTRATOR OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Honorable Jesus Marino "Rene" G. Espina, a great Filipino public servant who served the country in various capacities, passed away on September 13, 2019 at the age of eighty-nine (89);

WHEREAS, he was one of the topnotchers in the 1954 Bar Examinations which was a manifestation of his skills and expertise that befitted him of an extensive career in public service;

WHEREAS, in 1962, the Honorable Espina, at the age of thirty-three (33), was appointed by then President Diosdado P. Macapagal as the youngest ever Administrator of the Social Security System;

WHEREAS, he was elected Governor of the Province of Cebu from 1963 - 1969, and concurrently served as Member of the Cabinet of then President Ferdinand E. Marcos, having been appointed as the Secretary of Public Works, Transportation and Communications in 1968;

WHEREAS, he was also elected Senator of the Seventh (7th) Congress from 1970 - 1973 and during his stint, the Honorable Espina was instrumental in the approval of Republic Act No. 6425, otherwise known as "The Dangerous Drugs Act of 1972", the country's first anti-drug law and the precursor of Republic Act No. 9165, otherwise known as the "Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002";

WHEREAS, he was also a stalwart of Philippine democracy being a distinguished member of the United Nationalist Democratic Organization;

WHEREAS, the Honorable Espina embodied the ideals of a remarkable statesman, an accomplished legislator, and a devoted public servant worthy of emulation;

WHEREAS, the death of an epitome of a great leader is a loss to his family, friends, and the nation but his legacy shall forever be etched in the hearts of the people and the institutions he faithfully served: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the House of Representatives, To express its profound condolences on the death of the Honorable Jesus Marino "Rene" G. Espina, a great Filipino public servant, former Senator (1970 - 1973), Governor

of the Province of Cebu (1963 - 1969), Secretary of Public Works, Transportation and Communications, and Administrator of the Social Security System.

Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the bereaved family of the Honorable Jesus Marino "Rene" G. Espina.

Adopted,



ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO

Speaker

This Resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives on September 17, 2019.



JOSE LUIS G. MONTALES
Secretary General

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