## Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

## **EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS**

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 661

Introduced by Hon. John Marvin "Yul Servo" C. Nieto

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES FOR THE PASSING OF INTERNET PIONEER, ENGINEER BENJAMIN TAN, ON DECEMBER 26, 2019

**WHEREAS**, the entire nation bears a great loss with the demise of internet pioneer, Engineer Benjamin "Benjie" Tan on December 26, 2019 at the age of 60;

**WHEREAS**, twenty five years ago, he connected the Philippines to the internet for the first time on March 29, 1994;

**WHEREAS**, while working for ComNet, a local supplier of Cisco networking gears, he was tasked to handle the installation of the new router at the PLDT Main office, which enabled the Philippines to connect to the Internet;

**WHEREAS,** despite the overall significance of his contribution to the country, he has always dismissed the importance of his role in connecting the Philippines to the global computer network citing the feat as just "another job";

**WHEREAS**, the legacy left by Engineer Tan will endure indefinitely, and his presence will be deeply missed;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the House of Representatives to express deepest condolences for the passing of Internet Pioneer, Engineer Benjamin "Benjie" Tan, on December 26, 2019;

**Be it RESOLVED, FURTHER,** that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the surviving family of the Late Engineer Benjamin "Benjie" Tan.

Adopted,

HON. JOHN MARVIN "YUL SERVO" C. NIETO