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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 849



Introduced by Rep. Jocelyn Sy Limkaichong, Rep. Joseph Stephen S. Paduano, Rep. Genaro M. Alvarez, Jr., Rep. Ma. Lourdes T. Arroyo, Rep. Jose Francisco B. Benitez, Rep. Leo Rafael M. Cueva, Rep. Juliet Marie De Leon Ferrer, Rep. Manuel T. Sagarbarria, and Rep. Arnolfo "Arnie" A. Teves Jr.

A RESOLUTION

TO PAY HOMAGE TO THE FALLEN SOLDIERS WHO PERISHED WHILE AIDING FAMILIES AFFECTED BY COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND CONDEMNING IN THE STRONGEST TERMS THE DEPLORABLE ATTACK AGAINST THESE SOLDIERS BY THE NEW PEOPLE'S ARMY.

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2020, three (3) soldiers were killed and four (4) others were wounded when troops from the 94th Infantry Battalion encountered members of the New People's Army (NPA) in Brgy. Carabalan, Himamaylan City, Negros Occidental.

WHEREAS, the three fallen soldiers belong to the 94th Infantry Battalion of the 303rd Philippine Army. They were identified as PFC Carl Venice S. Bustamante, CPL Joel C. Nobleza, and 2LT Ralf Almante C. Abibico.

WHEREAS, while the troops were conducting a community security patrol in connection with the distribution of Social Amelioration Program (SAP) for the

families affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, they were ambushed by members of the NPA.

WHEREAS, the soldiers were close in getting the NPA terrorist group when an improvised explosive device (IED) exploded and hand grenades were thrown at the soldiers. The army vehicle also suffered from a landmine blast and grenades thrown to the government troops.

WHEREAS, a firefight ensued after the explosion and the soldiers still pursued the NPA terrorists who were dragging their dead and wounded comrades.

WHEREAS, the treacherous attack against the soldiers who were in the area to assist the distribution of the SAP to those affected by COVID-19 is a blatant and unequivocal violation of the unilateral ceasefire agreement.

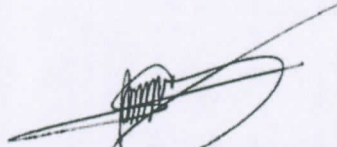
WHEREAS, the Members of Congress, express our deepest sympathy to the families of these soldiers who remained faithful to their sworn duty to serve and defend our country and its people. They have proven their valor and selflessness and had sacrificed their lives in the name of peace.

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, to honor the brave soldiers who had fallen while in the line of duty.

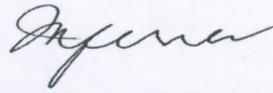
RESOLVED, FURTHER, that we condemn the atrocious and deplorable attack of the New People's Army which resulted in the demise of the soldiers.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the families of these fallen heroes.

Adopted,



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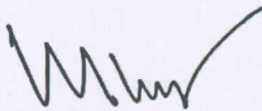
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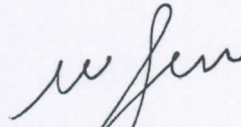
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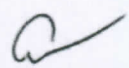
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