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## **RESOLUTION NO. 48**

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 eighty (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 the 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 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 Republic Act No. 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 coauthors of landmark laws such as Republic Act No. 7652, otherwise known as the "Investors' Lease Act"; Republic Act No. 7687, otherwise known as the "Science and Technology Scholarship Act of 1994"; and Republic Act No. 7903, otherwise known as the "Zamboanga City Special Economic Zone Act of 1995";

WHEREAS, among other equally important measures, she also authored House Bill No. 3962 which proposed to rationalize the equitable distribution of scholarship grants available to members of the cultural minorities, and House Bill No. 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 Committee on Women, and as a member of various committees including Committees 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 its profound condolences 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,

ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO Speaker 4

This Resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives on March 4, 2020.

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