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RESOLUTION NO. 15

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF THE HONORABLE AQUILINO Q. PIMENTEL, JR., FORMER SENATE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, a fearless parliamentarian, a champion of democracy and an accomplished statesman, the Honorable Aquilino "Nene" Q. Pimentel, Jr. passed away on October 20, 2019 at the age of eighty-five (85);

WHEREAS, as a true defender of freedom and human rights, the Honorable Nene Pimentel helped the peasants and urban poor during the martial law era and tirelessly fought for freedom and electoral reforms;

WHEREAS, during the term of President Corazon C. Aquino, he served as the Minister of Local Government and Presidential Adviser and Chief Negotiator with the Muslim rebels;

WHEREAS, after his term as Senate President, the Honorable Nene Pimentel also held various positions in the Senate such as Senate Majority Leader, Senate Minority Leader, and Chairperson of the Blue Ribbon Committee and the Committee on Local Government;

WHEREAS, the Honorable Nene Pimentel was the principal author and sponsor of key legislations such as Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991"; Republic Act No. 6938, otherwise known as the "Cooperative Code of the Philippines"; Republic Act No. 6675, otherwise known as the "Generics Act of 1988"; Republic Act No. 6975, otherwise known as the "Department of the Interior and Local Government Act of 1990"; Republic Act No. 7076, otherwise known as the "People's Small-scale Mining Act of 1991"; and Republic Act No. 6734, entitled "An Act Providing for an Organic Act for the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao", a precursor of Republic Act No. 11054, otherwise known as the "Organic Law for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao";

WHEREAS, the Honorable Nene Pimentel was recognized as the "Father of the Local Government Code", being the principal author of the Local Government Code, a landmark law that introduced reforms in local governance and promoted local autonomy;

WHEREAS, the Honorable Nene Pimentel was also one of the original proponents and advocates of federalism and firmly believed that federalism is necessary to efficiently address our country's problems and truly empower the local governments;

WHEREAS, the demise of this distinguished lawmaker and outstanding public servant is a great loss not only to his family, friends, fellow Mindanaoans, but to the country as a whole; he will be remembered for his unselfish and dedicated service to our country and for his accomplishments in achieving true reforms for the betterment of all Filipinos: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, To express its profound condolences to the family of the Honorable Aquilino "Nene" Q. Pimentel, Jr., former Senate President of the Philippines.

Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the bereaved family of the deceased.

Adopted,

ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO Speaker

This Resolution, in consolidation with House Resolutions Numbered 462, 467, 480 and 487, was adopted by the House of Representatives on November 6, 2019.

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