Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 828



Introduced by HON. JOY MYRA S. TAMBUNTING

A RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PHILIPPINES TO THE BEREAVED FAMILY OF MRS.

LAURA SARREAL ELORDE, THE GRAND MATRIARCH OF PHILIPPINE BOXING, WIFE OF FORMER BOXING CHAMPION GABRIEL 'FLASH' ELORDE, AND A PILLAR OF PARAÑAQUE CITY

WHEREAS, Mrs. Laura Sarreal Elorde, the widow of late boxing Hall of Famer Flash Elorde has peacefully joined our creator on May 03, 2020 at the age of 92;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Elorde was often referred to as the grand old lady of Philippine boxing being the daughter of famed boxing promoter Lope Sarreal Sr. and the wife of Gabriel 'Flash' Elorde;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Elorde was a source of support and inspiration to her loving husband as he navigated his career during their younger years, and a caring mother to her children, Gabriel Jr., Johnny, Teresa, Marty, Rita and Maria Laurita who are all raised to be righteous, patient and God-fearing individuals;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Elorde, together with his husband, founded the Elorde Sports Center in Parañaque in 1983, which to date is recognized for being a monument for athletes and Parañaqueños alike;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Elorde's support for the sport of boxing has led to the establishment of the biggest chain of boxing gyms in the Philippines and has helped Filipinos here and abroad excel in the said sport;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Elorde has been honored twice by the World Boxing Council;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Elorde headed the family to start the Gabriel 'Flash' Elorde Boxing Awards and Banquet in 2000 to not only celebrate the life of her husband but also to honor former and current Filipino boxers for their victories and past achievements;

WHEREAS, as the matriarch of the Elorde family, likewise instilled in her twenty-one (21) grandchildren and eight (8) great-grandchildren the same virtues of patience, self-discipline, hard work and religiosity;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Elorde is acknowledged as one of the pillars of Parañaque City, having been very active in the homeowners' associations of the city;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Elorde has been a consistent example of kindness, faith, generosity, and motherly love and affection;

WHEREAS, the passing away of this beloved and respected woman is a great loss to her family, relatives, friends, the Philippine boxing community, to the City of Parañaque, and to the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives of the Philippines would like to express its profound condolences and sympathy to the bereaved family of the late Mrs. Laura Sarreal Elorde;

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives of the Philippines would like to express its deep gratitude for the life of the late Mrs. Laura Sarreal Elorde which she had given as a gift to the Filipino people: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, To express its profound condolences to the bereaved family of the late Mrs. Laura Sarreal Elorde, the Grand Matriarch of Philippine Boxing, Wife of Boxing Champion Gabriel 'Flash' Elorde, and a Pillar of Parañaque City.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That a copy of this resolution be furnished to the Elorde family by Joy Myra S. Tambunting, Representative of the 2nd District of Parañaque City, the place where the Elorde family resides, on behalf of the House of Representatives.

Adopted,

MYRA S. TAMBUNTING

2nd District, Parañague