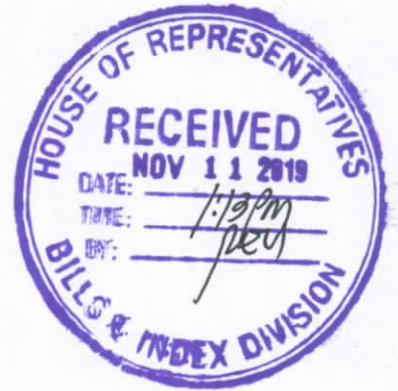


Republic of the Philippines  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Quezon City, Metro Manila

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS  
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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 513



Introduced by **ANG PROBINSYANO**  
Party-List Representative Alfred Delos Santos

**A RESOLUTION**

**EXPRESSING PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND DEEP CONDOLENCES OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE BEREAVED FAMILY OF THE LATE  
AQUILINO "NENE" PIMENTEL JR.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in  
Congress assembled:*

1       **WHEREAS**, Former Senator Aquilino "Nene" Pimentel Jr., one of the great  
2 Philippine statesmen in our political history, passed away on 20 October 2019, due  
3 to complications with lymphoma;

4       **WHEREAS**, the good former Senator Nene Pimentel was born on 11 December  
5 1933 to Aquilino E. Pimentel Sr. and Petra Quilinging. And in just a couple of years,  
6 he had risen to prominence in national politics and was elected as a delegate to the  
7 Constitutional Convention of 1971 – representing Misamis Oriental;

8       **WHEREAS**, he was also elected as Mayor of Cagayan De Oro, running a  
9 traditional grassroots campaign which endeared him to the hearts of Cagayanons.  
10 When he was disqualified on technicalities, the people of Cagayan De Oro held silent  
11 protests and mobilized for his rightful place as their duly-elected Mayor;

12       **WHEREAS**, Senator Nene Pimentel had been an advocate of civil liberties and  
13 democracy, being a staunch critic of the Marcos dictatorship. But despite the  
14 numerous attempts at breaking his spirit, his love for freedom and democracy had  
15 never wavered even once in the face of what seemed to be an insurmountable foe;

16       **WHEREAS**, upon the fall of the dictatorship in 1986, he took the reins as the  
17 czar of local government. He continued his crusade against the remnants of the  
18 dictatorship so that Philippine society may begin again – free from the peddled  
19 influence and corruption left by the Marcos regime;

20       **WHEREAS**, his championing of democracy and civil rights had earned him  
21 the respect and admiration of Filipinos, who subsequently launched him into the  
22 Senate in 1987. It was here he authored several significant pieces of legislation such

1 as: the Local Government Code of 1991, the People's Small-Scale Mining Act, and  
2 the Act creating the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao;

3 **WHEREAS**, Nene Pimentel's campaign for good governance and a better  
4 Philippines was not confined to public office. Sitting senator or not, he pushed for  
5 the prosecution of the Expo Pilipino Centennial Scam, the investigation of the misuse  
6 of the funds of the Retirement and Separation Benefits of the Armed Forces of the  
7 Philippines, and the pursuit of amendments on the Local Government Code to enable  
8 local officials to be more responsive to the needs of the people;

9 **WHEREAS**, the great Senator Nene Pimentel is a model statesman, legislator,  
10 and citizen whose feats would continue to inspire generations of servant-leaders to  
11 come. He has shown the strength of the indomitable Filipino spirit in its quest to  
12 achieve the just and equal society. Nene Pimentel's legacy shall echo through the  
13 annals of history as a paragon of democracy;

14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, we the undersigned members of the  
15 House of Representatives hereby RESOLVE to extend our deepest and heartfelt  
16 condolences to the bereaved family of the late Senator Nene Pimentel.

17 **RESOVLED FURTHER**, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the  
18 family of the late Nene Pimentel and His Excellency, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte.

19 Adopted,

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**ALFRED C. DELOS SANTOS**

22 *Representative, Ang Probinsyano Party List*  
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