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RESOLUTION NO. 164

RESOLUTION HONORING AND REMEMBERING  
FILIPINO ARTIST FRANCIS MAGALONA FOR  
HIS OUTSTANDING DEDICATION AND  
CONTRIBUTION TO THE PHILIPPINE MUSIC  
INDUSTRY

WHEREAS, on 06 March 2009, the country lost one of the most brilliant artists in the Philippine Music Industry, Francis Michael Durango Magalona, who succumbed to multiple organ failure secondary to severe sepsis and pneumonia. He was diagnosed with acute myelogenous leukemia last 08 August 2008;

WHEREAS, Francis Magalona popularized rap music in the Philippines and made a distinguished mark in the music industry with his message. He took pride in being a Filipino

and used his music to speak of freedom, peace, fellowship and independence for his country;

WHEREAS, despite the changing times in a world of different cultures, he was able to reach out to the Filipino youth. Francis Magalona was able to raise the social consciousness of the youth and mainstreamed patriotism, equality and respect for the different races in all nations throughout the world in his music. His music broke barriers and spoke to Filipinos of different backgrounds and generations to reflect a deep love for country and dignity of self;

WHEREAS, Francis Magalona is considered the epitome of a truly Pinoy rap artist, and through his unique music and style, he inspired the youth to take an interest in rap music and engage in their best performance as rap artists and musicians;

WHEREAS, Francis Magalona was a recipient of MTV Pilipinas Generations Award in 2006 in recognition of his career and broken boundaries, and for his music which continues to inspire generations of artists and Filipinos in the country as well as abroad. He was also posthumously-awarded the National Medal of Merit due to his contributions in promoting patriotism through music: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved, as it is hereby resolved,* That the Senate of the Philippines honor the life of Francis Magalona for his outstanding dedication and contribution to the Philippine Music Industry.

Adopted,



JUAN PONCE ENRILE  
*President of the Senate*

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 15, 2009.



EMMA LIRIO REYES  
*Secretary of the Senate*