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RESOLUTION No. 4

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCE OF THE SENATE ON THE DEATH OF FORMER SENATOR MAGNOLIA WELBORN ANTONINO

WHEREAS, former Senator Magnolia Welborn Antonino passed away on July 22, 2010 at the age of 94;

WHEREAS, a devoted educator, she started her government service as home economics teacher and later as principal teacher in her alma mater, the Balaoan Elementary School in La Union; she subsequently served as Division Supervisor for Health, Physical

Education and Home Economics of the Bureau of Education (Bureau of Public Schools) for Misamis Oriental, Misamis Occidental and Bukidnon from 1934 to 1941;

WHEREAS, gifted with exceptional ability in industrial and business management, she was conferred by various organizations different awards such as "Woman Executive of the Year 1952", "Woman of Achievement of 1956" and "Woman Executive of the Year 1957";

WHEREAS, encouraged by her husband, the late Senator Gaudencio Antonino, to enter politics, she was elected in the House of Representatives as an independent candidate for the first district of La Union in the 1965 elections. In the middle of her term in the House of Representatives, she ran and won as Senator in lieu of her husband who died on the eve of the 1967 senatorial election;

WHEREAS, during her term as Senator from 1968 until the proclamation of Martial Law in 1972, she was instrumental in the enactment of important laws such as: R.A. 6124 (Providing for the Fixing of the Maximum Selling Prices of Essential Articles or Commodities and Creating the Price Control Council); R.A. 6235 (Prohibiting Explosives and Flammables, Corrosive or Poisonous Substances or Materials in Passenger Aircraft and Regulating the Loading thereof in Cargo Aircraft); and R.A. 6395 which consolidated and revised the Charter of the National Power Corporation, among others;

WHEREAS, she also worked for the passage of laws for women and children; increased production of rice and corn; meaningful government benefits; and educational reforms;

WHEREAS, as member of this august Chamber during the 6th and 7th Congresses, she served as Chairperson of the Committees on Transportation and Public Service, and on National Enterprises and Government Corporation; as Vice Chairperson of the Committee on Public Works and Communications; and as member of other standing committees in the Senate, and of the Commission on Appointments:

WHEREAS, after her work as a legislator, she continued serving the people through active membership in various private and non-government organizations such as the Young Women's Christian Association, Inner Wheel Club of Manila and All Nation Women's Group;

WHEREAS, the passing away of the "1988 Gintong Ina Awardee" is a great loss not only) her bereaved family but to the nation as well: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, To express, as it hereby expresses, its profound sympathy and sincere condolence on the death of former Senator Magnolia Welborn Antonino.

Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished to her bereaved family.

Adopted,

President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 27, 2010.

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