

Republic of the Philippines
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RESOLUTION No. 102

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE WORK OF
DR. LORENZO LUCERO MATA FOR HIS DEDICATION
AS A PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHER AND HIS
CONTRIBUTION TO THE PRESERVATION OF
PHILIPPINE HISTORY THROUGH THE CULTURAL
DOCUMENTATION OF THE HERITAGE TOWN OF
SAN VICENTE IN ILOCOS SUR

WHEREAS, Lorenzo Lucero Mata, a prolific writer, has produced a book called *The History of San Vicente*, an extensive and intensive account of the history of San Vicente, a fifth-class municipality in the province of Ilocos Sur, known for artisans that create intricate furniture;

WHEREAS, he was able to culturally document San Vicente and its people to identify the community's strengths and resources in a bid to tell its story and archive a snapshot of Philippine rural living for future generations;

WHEREAS, he not only documented bucolic scenes of the Philippines but was also able to write speeches, dramas, plays,

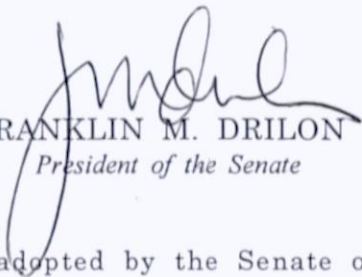
poems both in English and Ilocano including the famous Zarzuela, an Ilocano play, among his more seminal works of which are: 1) Gene or The Love of an Abandoned Child, 2) Lorgene, 3) Virgille Prospero or My Child! My Brother!, 4) Odette, 5) *Diak Impagarup* (I Did Not Expect);

WHEREAS, he also contributed to Philippine visual arts through painting and carving including the sculpting of hundreds of statues of saints and other religious icons for Ilocos churches, as well as bust figures of past Philippine presidents;

WHEREAS, born to Melecio Mata, a master carpenter, and Maria Lucero, a housewife, on 10 August 1925, in San Vicente, Ilocos Sur, through humble beginnings, he persevered and strove to finish his education at the University of the Philippines with a degree in Fine Arts and a Master of Arts in Education: Now, therefore, be it

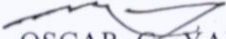
Resolved, as it is hereby resolved, by the Senate of the Philippines, To honor and commend the work of Dr. Lorenzo Lucero Mata for his dedication as a public school teacher and his contribution to the preservation of Philippine history through the cultural documentation of the heritage town of San Vicente in Ilocos Sur.

Adopted,



FRANKLIN M. DRILON
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on September 9, 2015.



OSCAR G. YABES
Secretary of the Senate