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Resolution No. 125

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE HONORABLE MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID FOR HIS HARD WORK AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE SENATE AND THE NATION DURING HIS TERMS AS SENATOR

WHEREAS, the Honorable Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid served as senator for two (2) consecutive terms of office (2004-2010 and 2010-2016);

WHEREAS, during the 14th Congress, he was instrumental in the enactment into law of Republic Act No. 9999, a pro-poor measure otherwise known as the "Free Legal Assistance Act" which guarantee free legal assistance to the poor and ensures that every person who cannot afford the services of a counsel is provided with a competent and independent counsel; WHEREAS, he authored the following bills, namely: the Comprehensive Unilateral Hearing Loss Research and Development and Rehabilitation Act; the Urban Agriculture and Vertical Farming Act; the Corporate Social Responsibility Act; and the Adopt a Wildlife Species Act;

WHEREAS, he likewise co-authored the Magna Carta for Women; the Universal Accessible, Cheaper, and Quality Medicines Act; the Renewable Energy Act; the International Humanitarian Law; the Magna Carta for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; the University of the Philippines Charter; the Arnis as National Sport of the Philippines; the Revised Fire Code of the Philippines; the Anti-Child Pornography Act; and the Cybercrime Prevention Act;

WHEREAS, as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Games, Amusement and Sports, he promoted the development of sports in the grassroots, the participation of youth in sports competitions, and the coordination of concerned government agencies for the success of the country's national sports development program;

WHEREAS, as Chairman of the Committee on Tourism, he consulted the tourism sector on how best to institute a comprehensive and holistic mechanism to promote tourism in the country through the combination of leisure, fun and relaxation together with wellness and healthcare services;

WHEREAS, to improve the quality of life of the less privileged in the country, he filed the proposed "Foundling Recognition Act", and the "Maintenance of Parents Act";

WHEREAS, his performance have contributed to the Chamber's accomplishment during the 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th Congresses: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, To commend, as it hereby commends, the Honorable Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid for his hard work and dedicated service to the Senate and the nation during his terms as senator.

Adopted,

FRANKLIN DRII President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 6, 2016.

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OSCAR G. YABES Secretary of the Senate