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RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF VETERAN FILIPINO BROADCAST JOURNALISTS ANGELO CASTRO, JR. AND HARRY GASSER IN ELEVATING THE STANDARDS OF PHILIPPINE BROADCAST MEDIA

WHEREAS, iconic journalists Angelo Castro, Jr. and Harry Gasser, two pillars of Philippine broadcast media, passed away in April 2012 and April 2014 respectively;

WHEREAS, the late Angelo Castro, Jr., who succumbed to lung cancer in April 5, was one of the creators of *TV Patrol*, the longest-running Filipino newscast today, and the news anchor of *The World Tonight*, the award-winning late evening English news program in ABS-CBN since 1986, the first since its reopening after Edsa;

WHEREAS, Castro, a recipient of the Ka Doroy Broadcaster of the Year award from the Kapisanan ng mga Brodkaster ng Pilipinas in 2006, was an eminent broadcast journalist with an outstanding career spanning 25 years, and whose leadership and mentorship made him a pillar in Philippine broadcast journalism;

WHEREAS, throughout his pioneering years, he displayed a calming presence in the evening news and was known in the broadcast industry as a dynamic thinker, effective taskmaster and enterprising innovator;

WHEREAS, the late Harry Gasser was the anchorman of RPN 9's NewsWatch during the Martial Law era until the 1990s, the primetime news program aired via domestic satellite and the most watched during that time, and later worked as news manager of Radio Veritas and anchor of TV Patrol Cebu;

WHEREAS, Gasser, a pioneer in news broadcasting and an iconic anchorman with a unique baritone voice, had set an example in the industry with his professionalism, integrity and dignity;

WHEREAS, throughout the lives of Angelo Castro, Jr. and Harry Gasser, they both stood for sincerity, impeccable work ethic, perseverance, balance and truth in broadcast media: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved, To honor and commend the contributions of Angelo Castro, Jr. and Harry Gasser, who have helped in elevating the standards of Philippine broadcast media.

Adopted,

FRANKLIN M. DRILON
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on September 22, 2014.

OSCAR G. YABES
Secretary of the Senate

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