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RESOLUTION No. 20

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND
SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCE OF
THE SENATE ON THE DEATH OF FORMER
SENATOR JUSTINIANO S. MONTANO

WHEREAS, the Honorable Justiniano S. Montano, a distinguished former Member of the Senate, passed away on March 31, 2005;

WHEREAS, his demise marked the final chapter in the gallant life story of the man who courageously dominated Cavite politics for more than three decades beginning in the Commonwealth regime up to the proclamation of Martial Law;

WHEREAS, he took the Bar Examination in 1929 and placed second with a perfect score of 100% in Civil Law, thus

his answers in the subject have been used as a model and guide by Bar examinees since then;

WHEREAS, his unblemished record of public service began when he was appointed Assistant Provincial Fiscal of Cavite in January 1930 immediately after passing the Bar examinations;

WHEREAS, he made his political debut on the advent of the first national elections of the newly inaugurated Commonwealth as candidate for the First National Assembly representing the province of Cavite and won the election with flying colors;

WHEREAS, showing his political rivals who's who in Cavite politics, he ran and won as Representative during the First Congress in 1946-1949;

WHEREAS, in 1949, he momentarily left the House of Representatives to join the Upper Chamber of Congress where he became one of the leaders of the "Little Senate", a bloc which spearheaded an honest-to-goodness fight for a clean and conscientious government and was the father of the resolution creating the Blue Ribbon Committee;

WHEREAS, after his stint in the Senate he returned to the House of Representatives during the Fifth Congress (1962-1965), Sixth Congress (1966-1969) and Seventh Congress (1970-1973), but his last term was cut short by the proclamation of Martial Law;

WHEREAS, as an able legislator with a progressive mind, he sponsored a number of laws that benefited the masses, among which are: Commonwealth Act No. 32, (re-expropriation of big landed estates for distribution to the landless tenants), Commonwealth Act No. 288 (granting pension to veterans), the Minimum Wage Law, the Share Tenancy Law, Land Tenure Act, and the Court of Agrarian Relations Act;

WHEREAS, as our beloved Justiniano lies to rest with his Creator, and as the whole nation joins the Montano family in this time of solemn bereavement, we in this august Chamber shall actively endeavor to remember the finest examples that the former Senator has shown for us all to emulate: Now, therefore, be it


Resolved by the Senate, To express, as it hereby expresses, its profound sympathy and sincere condolence on the demise of former Senator Justiniano S. Montano.

Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the bereaved family of Honorable Justiniano S. Montano.

Adopted,

FRANKLIN M. DRILON
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on
April 1, 2005.



OSCAR G. YABES
Secretary of the Senate

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