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SENATE

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Introduced by Senator Vicente C. Sotto III

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION OF THE SENATE TO SENATOR MANNY VILLAR FOR HIS INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SENATE AND THE COUNTRY DURING HIS TERM AS SENATE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, elected as Senate President on July 24, 2006, Senator Manuel Villar steered the Chamber at a time when its very existence was being threatcheded by interest groups opposed to bicameralism;

WHEREAS, Senator Villar steadfastly pursued a legislative agenda that sought to address the government's need for funding its socioeconomic programs and the nagging problems in the country's educational, agricultural, environmental and health sectors, law and order, and electoral reform;

WHEREAS, his stint as Senate president saw the Chamber's passage of bills making tourism a primary engine of investment, employment, growth and development; granting compensation to victims of human rights violations; automating the election system; and strengthening the University of the Philippines as a national center of excellence;

WHEREAS, a number of timely and necessary measures were enacted into law during Senator Villar's presidency that promoted public health, protected overseas Filipino workers, empowered public social workers, and provided additional privileges and benefits for disabled persons;

WHEREAS, his invaluable contribution to the Senate and the country truly deserve commendation and recognition: *Now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, To express, as it hereby expresses, its gratitude and appreciation to Senator Manny Villar for his invaluable contributions to the Senate and the country during his term as Senate President.

Adopted,