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## Introduced by Senator Zubiri

## RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE HONORABLE AQUILINO Q. PIMENTEL, JR. FOR HIS EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE AS SENATOR AND FOR HIS INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO THE SENATE

**WHEREAS,** the Honorable Sen. Aquilino Q. Pimentel, Jr., an esteemed public servant, first served the Senate in 1987 where he chaired the Committee on Local Government in the 8<sup>th</sup> Congress and authored the landmark Local Government Code of 1990;

**WHEREAS**, he was again elected Senator in 1998 in the 11<sup>th</sup> Congress, and was Chairman of the Committee on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations which conducted the first committee investigation outside the Philippines in connection with the Marcos ill-gotten wealth;

**WHEREAS**, Senator Pimentel became the 19<sup>th</sup> President of the Senate from 2000 to 2001 and steered the passage into law of 396 bills, 49 of which were of national significance; it was under his leadership that the Senate convened as an Impeachment Court – the first in the Senate's history;

**WHEREAS**, re-elected for another term in 2004, he represented the Minority voice in the Chamber with passion, zealously guarding their rights to democratic discourse as befit a collegial and deliberative body like the Senate;

**WHEREAS**, an ardent advocate of justice and human rights here and abroad, Senator Pimentel on January 21, 2010 was elected president of the Inter-Parliamentary Union's Committee on the Human Rights of Parliamentarians;

**WHEREAS**, as Minority Leader and an active participant in every Senate committee and plenary proceedings, Senator Pimentel was instrumental in the crafting of laws enacted by the 14<sup>th</sup> Congress; *Now, therefore, be it* 

**RESOLVED BY THE SENATE,** To commend, as it hereby commends, the Honorable Aquilino Q. Pimentel, Jr. for his exemplary performance as Senator and for his invaluable contribution to the Senate.

Adopted,

JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI

Senator