


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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING FOUR (4) FEMALE ROOKIE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION POLICE OFFICE - REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY BATTALION OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE AND RECOGNIZING THEIR ACTS OF BRAVERY IN THE MIDST OF THE ROBBERY AND SHOOTOUT ON 30 MARCH 2014 AT THE MALL OF ASIA, PASAY CITY

WHEREAS, on Sunday, 30 March 2014, a band of robbers engaged in a shootout members of the Philippine National Police (PNP) inside the Mall of Asia, one of the world's largest shopping malls, thereby sending shoppers scrambling for safety¹;

WHEREAS, said band of robbers, armed with guns and pipe wrenches, smashed the display cases of two jewelry stalls inside the mall and were able to steal the contents;

WHEREAS, amidst the commotion, four (4) female rookie members of the PNP's National Capital Region Police Office - Regional Public Safety Battalion (NCRPO-RPSB) assigned to man the Police Assistance Desk at the mall, were among the first responders, as they pursued and exchanged fire with the suspects;

WHEREAS, in fact, one of the female cops shot and wounded one of the robbers who was carrying a caliber .45 handgun and who was firing the same to scare shoppers²; hence, the female cops were able to arrest him;

WHEREAS, the speedy and determined response of the four (4) female rookie cops, identified later as **Police Officers 1 Juliet Macababdad, Delia Langpawen, Marcelina Bantiag, and Maricel Rueco**³, prevented the robbers from further stealing more pieces of jewelry from said shops, and further posing grave danger to the shoppers;

WHEREAS, the courage and quick thinking of these four (4) female rookie cops and other police officers in carrying out their duty to protect the people and in preserving peace and order, merit the commendation and recognition of the Filipino people;

¹ Bong Lozada, Niña Calleja. *Hammer-wielding robbers cause chaos at Philippines' Mall of Asia*. Agence France-Press, Inquirer.net, Philippine Daily Inquirer Information retrieved from <http://newsinfo.inquirer.net/590354/shooting-incident-at-moa-report#ixzz2xbdGuwyM>

² *Female cops were first responders at MOA robbery*. Information retrieved from <http://www.gmanetwork.com/news/photo/56976/female-cops-were-first-responders-at-moa-robbery>

³ Julianne Love De Jesus: *4 female rookie copes recount encounter with MOA robbers*; Inquirer.net (Philippine Daily Inquirer), 02 April 2014; Information retrieved from: <http://newsinfo.inquirer.net/591306/4-rookie-female-cops-recount-encounter-with-moa-robbers> on 08 April 2014

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *as it is hereby resolved*, That the Senate of the Philippines commend and recognized these four (4) rookie female members of the PNP, namely:

1. PO 1 JULIET MACABADBAD;
2. PO 1 DELIA LANGPAWEN;
3. PO 1 MARCELINA BANTIAG;
4. PO 1 MARICEL RUECO

for their swift and determined act of courage and bravery and their quick thinking in the midst of the robbery and shootout on 30 March 2014 at the Mall of Asia, Pasay City.

Resolved further, to urge the leadership of the PNP as well as the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the national leadership to recognize and honor the said acts of bravery and courage of these four (4) female rookie police officers as an example worth emulating by every member of the PNP.

Adopted,


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Senator