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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE MEN OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE-SPECIAL ACTION FORCE (PNP-SAF) FOR THEIR EXHIBITED BRAVERY AND HEROISM AS THEY SUCCESSFULLY PUT AN END TO THE TERROR BROUGHT BY ASIA'S MOST WANTED MAN AT THE COST OF FORTY FOUR (44) COURAGEOUS COMRADES WHO PERISHED IN ACTION DURING AN OPERATION AT A REBEL STRONGHOLD IN TUKANALIPAO, MAMASAPANO, MAGUINDANAO ON JANUARY 25, 2015

WHEREAS, on 25 January 2015, 392 members of the Philippine National Police-Special Action Force (PNP-SAF) carried out a clandestine operation to take out Asia's Most Wanted terrorist Zulkifli bin Hir also known as "Marwan" and his cohort, bomb expert Basit Usman on rebel held territory in Mamasapano, Maguindanao;

WHEREAS, though Basit Usman escaped during the raid, the SAF operatives succeeded in its objective to finally stamp out Marwan's reign of terror with his eventual death as confirmed by several reliable sources;

WHEREAS, the success of the operation unfortunately came at a high price as forty four (44) officers and members of the raiding team perished and several others were wounded after a ten hour gunfight reportedly with the elements of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) and Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF);

WHEREAS, there were reports that the police officers who were killed during the operation were mutilated or desecrated, which if confirmed, may be clear violations of human rights and the rules of war;

WHEREAS, this tragic loss of lives is greatly felt not only by the national police organization but is mourned by the Filipino people who lost forty four (44) dedicated members of the public service;

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines salutes the courage of the members of the PNP-SAF, and honor the valor and heroism of those who sacrificed their lives to ensure that the country is safe and secure from the threats of terrorism, namely;

1. Sr. Insp. Ryan Ballesteros Pabalinas
2. Sr. Insp. John Garry Alcantara Erana
3. Sr. Insp. Max Jim Ramirez Tria
4. Sr. Insp. Cyrus Paleyan Anniban
5. Sr. Insp. Gednat G. Tabdi
6. Insp. Joey Sacristan Gamutan
7. Insp. Rennie Tayrus

8. SPO1 Lover L. Inocencio
9. PO3 Rodrigo F. Acob Jr.
10. PO3 Virgel S. Villanueva
11. PO3 Andres Viernes Duque Jr.
12. PO3 Vitoriano Nacion Acain
13. PO3 Noel Onangey Golocan
14. PO3 Junrel Narvas Kibete
15. PO3 Jed-In Abubakar Asjali
16. PO3 Robert Dommolog Aliaga
17. PO3 John Lloyd Rebammonte Sumbilla
18. PO2 Amman Misuari Esmulla
19. PO2 Peterson I. Carap
20. PO2 Roger C. Cordero
21. PO2 Nicky DC Nacino Jr.
22. PO2 Glenn Berecio Badua
23. PO2 Chum Goc-Ong Agabon
24. PO2 Richelle Salangan Baluga
25. PO2 Noel Nebrida Balaca
26. PO2 Joel Bimidang Dulnuan
27. PO2 Godofredo Basak Cabanlet
28. PO2 Franklin Cadap Danao
29. PO2 Walner Faustino Danao
30. PO2 Jerry Dailay Kayob
31. PO2 Noble Sungay Kiangon
32. PO2 Ephraim G. Mejia
33. PO2 Omar Agacer Nacionales
34. PO2 Rodel Eva Ramacula
35. PO2 Romeo Valles Senin II
36. PO1 Russel Bawaan Bilog
37. PO1 Angel C. Kodiamat
38. PO1 Windell Llano Candano
39. PO1 Loreto Guyab Capinding
40. PO1 Gringo Charag Cayang-o
41. PO1 Romeo Cumanoy Cempron
42. PO1 Mark Lory Orloque Clemencio
43. PO1 Joseph Gumatay Sagonoy
44. PO1 Oliebeth Ligutan Viernes

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to commend the men of the Philippine National Police-Special Action Force (PNP-SAF) for their exhibited bravery and heroism as they successfully put an end to the terror brought by Asia's most wanted man at the cost of forty four (44) courageous comrades who perished in action during an operation at a rebel stronghold in Tukanalipao, Mamasapano, Maguindanao on January 25, 2015.

Adopted,


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Senator