

SENATE

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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING THE ARTISTRY AND GRACE OF CULTURAL ICON LANG DULAY AND EXPRESSING THE DEEP SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCE OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES ON THE PASSING OF THE NATIONAL TREASURE AND T'NALAK DREAM WEAVER

WHEREAS, former Gawad Manlilikha ng Bayan or National Living Treasure awardee Lang Dulay joined her creator on 30 April 2015 at the age of 91;

WHEREAS, Lang Dulay started weaving at the tender age of 12, a craft she learned from her mother;

WHEREAS, Lang Dulay was one of the very few traditional weavers of the textile called T'nalak and her fabrics reflect the wisdom and visions of her people, the T'boli of Lake Sebu in South Cotabato;

WHEREAS, she was the most celebrated among the "dreamweavers", which were so named because patterns of their weaves are revealed in their dreams, a gift known to be passed only to select weavers of a generation;

WHEREAS, despite the commercialization of the T'nalak industry and outsiders imposing modern designs on T'boli weavers, she remained firm in keeping the traditions of her people alive as she spun her stories and dreams with her nimble hands and with extreme grace;

WHEREAS, she was conferred the National Living Treasure (Gawad Manlilikha ng Bayan) award in 1998 for her efforts in promoting the T'boli culture and preserving the art of weaving the T'nalak;

WHEREAS, she used the monetary grant from the National Commission for Culture and the Arts to establish a center where women of her community could go to perfect their art;

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines joins her family, the T'boli people and the nation in mourning for the loss of the cultural icon and one of the country's remaining dreamweavers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to celebrate the artistry and grace of cultural icon Lang Dulay and express the deep sympathy and sincere condolence of the Senate of the Philippines on the passing of the national treasure and T'nalak dreamweaver.

Adopted,



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