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Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri

RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE SENATE, THE HONORABLE FRANKLIN M. DRILON, FOR HIS INVALUABLE AND IMPECCABLE CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES.

WHEREAS, Senator Franklin M. Drilon has effectively performed his role as Minority Leader with integrity, utmost dedication and great distinction, and with firm conviction that the voice of the Minority in the Senate is also the voice of reason and democracy;

WHEREAS, an independent thinker with deep insight and understanding of various legislative issues, he unselfishly shared his knowledge and expertise of the legislative process with his colleagues, by actively participating in floor deliberations and debates to produce well-studied legislation;

WHEREAS, an experienced lawmaker who had served the Senate in different capacities, he conscientiously worked for a harmonious relationship between the Majority and the Minority, producing a number of enacted laws that have great impact on the nation and its economy, as a consequence;

WHEREAS, in the 17th Congress, he was the principal author and sponsor of major laws such as Republic Act No. 11232, otherwise known as the "Revised Corporation Code", Republic Act No. 10951, which adjusts the amount or the value of property and damage on which the penalty is based, and the fines imposed under the Revised Penal Code, and Republic Act No. 11055, also known as the "Philippine Identification System Act of 2018";

WHEREAS, strongly committed to ensure the socio-economic welfare of Filipinos abroad, he actively pushed for the Senate's concurrence in the ratification of the Japan-Philippine Agreement on Social Security, which concurrence gave the estimated four hundred thousand Filipinos in Japan access to various Social Security benefits;

WHEREAS, an art enthusiast credited for the preservation of iconic structure and historical landmarks in his hometown of Iloilo, he initiated an inquiry, in aid of legislation, into the possible delisting of the "Baroque Churches" of the country from the UNESCO World Heritage List with the view to crafting remedial legislation for the proper conservation and preservation of Philippine National Cultural Treasures and World Heritage Sites; **WHEREAS,** his outstanding and exceptional performance as Minority Leader coupled with the outstanding legislative performance of the Minority group clearly proved that the Minority was never and will never be a stumbling block to a productive Senate and has done pride and honor to the Senate as an institution: *Now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, To commend, as it hereby commends, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Honorable Franklin M. Drilon, for his invaluable and impeccable contributions during the Seventeenth Congress of the Philippines.

Adopted,

WAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI Senator