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Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago

RESOLUTION
TO INSTITUTIONALIZE SUMMER SA SENADO PROGRAM THEREBY
RECOGNIZING THE VITAL ROLE OF THE YOUTH IN NATION-BUILDING

WHEREAS, the Constitution, Article II, Section 13, provides that, "The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs";

WHEREAS, in the pursuit of the ideals and aspirations of the Senate, embodied in the Latin maxim "*Legis Servitae Pax Fiat*," which signifies the passing of relevant laws in order to attain peace in the country, the youth, the most valuable resource of the nation, shall be motivated, trained, organized and mobilized in policy-making training, literacy, public welfare and other similar endeavors to mold future leaders who shall initiate and draw policies that seek to establish and maintain legal order;

WHEREAS, the *Summer Sa Senado Program* is a one-month summer internship program crafted and introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago in 1999;

WHEREAS, the *Summer Sa Senado Program* is the country's first and only legislative training program that provides the youth with the broad overview of the Senate as well as its functions and also empowers them by indirectly giving the rare opportunity of proposing their own bills;

WHEREAS, the internship is designed not only to hold lectures about the history, organizations and functions of the Senate, but also to facilitate team-building activities aimed at fostering camaraderie among interns and group dynamics designed to enhance their skills in strategic, creative and critical thinking;

WHEREAS, the *Summer Sa Senado Program* will not only serve as a contribution to our legislative history, but will surely give insights to incoming parliamentarians, staff of the Congress, scholars and the general public on how the Senate works as an institution, essentially in matters of legislation and other non-legislative functions.

WHEREFORE, be it resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the Philippine Senate, to institutionalize the *Summer Sa Senado Program* thereby recognizing the vital role of the youth in nation-building.

Adopted,


MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO