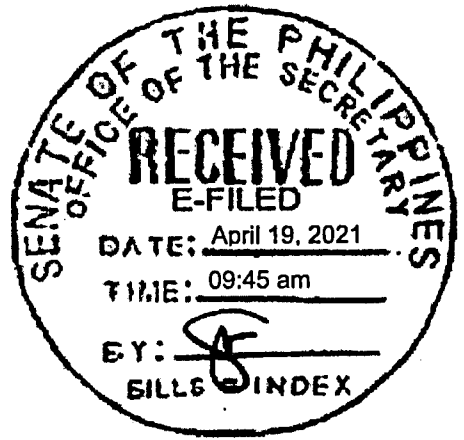


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SENATE

P.S. Res. No. 702

Introduced by SENATOR RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES ON THE DEATH OF CRISPULO JULIO "JUN" ICBAN, JR., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF MANILA BULLETIN, FORMER PRESS SECRETARY AND VETERAN JOURNALIST

1 WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines has, on numerous occasions,
2 recognized and honored distinguished Filipinos for their exemplary contribution in their
3 respective fields and for their positive influence in the development of our society;

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Crispulo Julio "Jun" Icban, Jr., esteemed Editor-in-Chief and
5 Publisher of Manila Bulletin, former Press Secretary, and veteran journalist, died on 5
6 April 2021 at the age of 85;

7 WHEREAS, he was an outstanding alumnus of the University of the Philippines
8 (UP) who earned his Bachelor of Arts in English degree in 1954, graduated *magna*
9 *cum laude*, and was the editor-in-Chief of the Philippine Collegian;

10 WHEREAS, his career and immense contribution in the field of journalism span
11 more than six decades, starting as an editorial assistant in The Manila Times in 1954,
12 then as a reporter and editorial writer. He then rose from the ranks to become
13 editor;

14 WHEREAS, he eventually became the leading figure in one of the most
15 respected, widely circulated and oldest national newspapers, Manila Bulletin, serving
16 as its Editor-in-Chief since 2003, and concurrent publisher since 2020;

17 WHEREAS, he was a former public servant, who was appointed as the Press
18 Secretary in 2010 during the term of former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo;

1 WHEREAS, he shared his expertise, professionalism and guidance to various
2 media organizations as Chairman, including *Samahang Plaridel* and Capampangan in
3 Media, Inc. (CAMI);

4 WHEREAS, his legacy in the field of journalism, excellent body of work, and
5 valuable contribution to society were recognized by various organizations, such as the
6 local governments of Quezon City, Pampanga and Tarlac, which named him as one of
7 its outstanding citizens;

8 WHEREAS, he is considered as a pillar and guiding light of Philippine journalism
9 and his passing is a great loss not only in the profession, especially in its era of
10 transformation, but to the entire nation as well;

11 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate, to
12 express profound sympathy and sincere condolences on the death of Crispulo Julio
13 "Jun" Icban, Jr., Editor-in-Chief of Manila Bulletin, former Press Secretary and veteran
14 journalist.

15 RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the
16 bereaved family of the late Crispulo Julio "Jun" Icban, Jr.

Adopted,


RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.