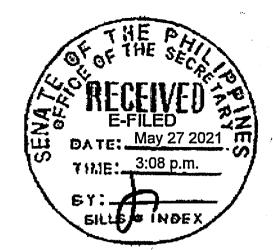
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RESOLUTION

HONORING CARMEN 'BABY' BARREDO AND ZENEIDA 'BIBOT' AMADOR FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF PHILIPPINE THEATRE THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF REPERTORY PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, Carmen Barredo and Zeneida Amador should be honored for their 1 2 significant contribution to the development of the Philippine Theatre as the founders of the Repertory Philippines; 3 WHEREAS, Carmen Barredo, fondly called by the theater community as 'Tita 4 Baby', co-founded the Repertory Philippines, passed away last 23 May 2021 at the age 5 of 80. Baby also served as the creative director of the Repertory Philippines as well as 6 7. an actress who performed in the stages of this theatre; WHEREAS, because of her exceptional talent, Baby was nicknamed as 'The 8 Grand Dame of Philippine Theater'. She is known as a theater genius and started her 9 life on stage when she was just five years old. Baby studied voice at the University of 10 Indiana and completed Drama at the American Conservatory of Dramatic Arts in New 11 York; 12 WHEREAS, Zeneida Amador, also known as 'Bibot', co-founded the Repertory 13 Philippines with Carmen Barredo. Bibot, a Philippine stage icon, passed away on 28 14 November 2004 at the age of 71; 15 WHEREAS, Amador, received her postgraduate courses at the American 16 Academy of Dramatic Arts in New York in 1956. She then taught drama and literature 17 at the University of South Dakota before returning to the Philippines in 1967 to 18 establish the Repertory Philippines; 19

WHEREAS, Carmen Barredo and Zeneida Amador founded the Repertory Philippines with the vision of creating a theater company that focuses on developing Filipino talent. Barredo continued to guide the theatre company as its Chairman-for-Life and Artistic Director Emeritus even after the passing of Amador;

WHEREAS, the Repertory Philippines, established in 1967, has been the training ground of Filipino actors and actresses who excelled both in local and international theater. Some of which are Lea Salonga, Monique Wilson, and Junix Inocian who were casted in the Cameron Macintosh mega musical, Miss Saigon. Other artists who have established their career in the said performance art theatre are Cocoy Laurel, Cris Villonco, Pinky Amador, and Leo Martinez;

WHEREAS, Repertory Philippines, shortly called as 'REP', has become an instrument in uplifting Philippine Culture and Society by providing a safe environment for directors, writers, designers and actors. This has enhanced their creative talent and explored their abilities through a live theater. Some of the prominent plays staged by REP are 'The Sound of Music', 'Wizard of Oz', and 'Les Miserables': Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it is hereby resolved, To honor the life of Carmen 'Baby' Barredo and Zeneida 'Bibot' Amador, for offering their passion and commitment in creating the Repertory Philippines which has overall nourished Philippine Theater and has produced renowned Filipino artists;

SONNY ANGARA

Adopted,