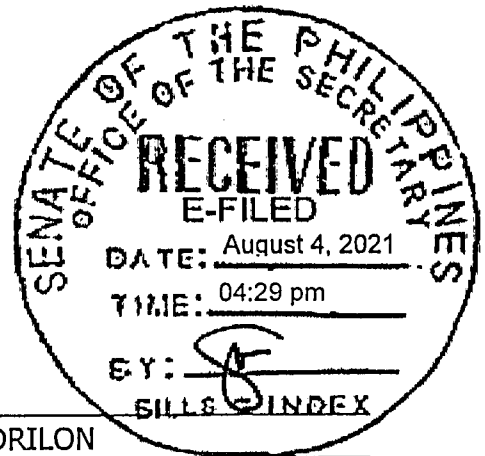


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Introduced by Senator FRANKLIN M. DRILON

RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LATE MANUEL "NOLI" V. AGCAOILI FOR HIS SELFLESS DEDICATION TO THE WELFARE AND EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITY

1 WHEREAS, born on 25 December 1940, the late Manuel "Noli" V. Agcaoili
2 contracted a severe case of polio that permanently damaged his left leg when he was
3 only two years old;

4 WHEREAS, the disability did not prevent the young "Noli" from achieving his
5 goals and ambitions, such as obtaining a degree in Bachelor of Science in Business
6 Administration Major in Banking and Finance from the University of the East in 1961
7 and a post graduate degree in Advertising Management, Product Management and
8 Marketing Management and Strategy from the Ateneo De Manila University in 1967;

9 WHEREAS, after he graduated from college, he worked tirelessly and rose
10 from the ranks to various executive positions in prestigious companies, such as
11 Manva Holdings, Inc., J. Romero & Associates, Interport Resources Corp., Fil-Estate
12 Realty Corporation, Econ Concrete Inc., Antipolo Properties, Inc., Gencars
13 Incorporated, Health Maintenance, Inc., Cocofed Marketing Corp., Coconut
14 Investment Company, Palawan Energy Development Corp., and many others;

15 WHEREAS, after gaining prominence and success as a businessman and
16 corporate executive, he decided to devote his time, efforts, and resources to help
17 fellow persons with disability and joined various civic organizations such as the Rotary
18 Club, Tahanang Walang Hagdanan, Impact Foundation Philippines, Philippine
19 Foundation for the Rehabilitation of the Disabled, National Council on Disability Affairs,
20 Alyansa ng May Kapansanang Pinoy (Akap-Pinoy), DepEd Advisory Council on Children
21 and Youth with Disabilities, Philippine Council of Cheshire Homes for the Disabled

1 (Philcoched), and the De La Salle – College of St. Benilde’s Center for Inclusive
2 Education;

3 WHEREAS, in 2004, he established the Nova Foundation for the Differently
4 Abled Persons, Inc., with the aim of creating a training center to teach persons with
5 disability for entry into the BPO industry and into data processing sector of the IT
6 industry, with the help of local and foreign non-government organizations such as the
7 Christoffel Blinden Mission, the Abilis Foundation, the Microsoft Foundation, AUSAID,
8 and the World Bank;

9 WHEREAS, in the same year, he helped organize AKAP-Pinoy, the only
10 nationwide federation of Disabled Peoples’ Organizations (DPOs) with 456 members,
11 affiliates and branches;

12 WHEREAS, through a tie-up between the Nova Foundation and the DND
13 KAPAGDAKA of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, he initiated the teaching of
14 computer literacy and data processing courses to soldiers who have been wounded
15 and disabled in battle in order to assist them in their transition to civilian life;

16 WHEREAS, with more than 68 partner-organizations such as the Department
17 of Foreign Affairs, JP Morgan Chase, the Thomson Reuters, the Church of the Latter
18 Day Saints of Christ, and Touch Solutions Inc., the job placement department of the
19 Nova Foundation which he established was able to find employment to an
20 unprecedented 83% of its trainees or to more than a thousand trained persons with
21 disability with new found skills;

22 WHEREAS, in 2011, he was instrumental in forming the Pilipinos With
23 Disabilities (PWD) Party-list which the Commission on Elections granted accreditation
24 on 26 September 2012;

25 WHEREAS, on March 2021, he was given the “Special Mabini Award for Lifetime
26 Achievement” by the Philippine Foundation for the Rehabilitation of the Disabled
27 (PFRD), Inc., the oldest NGO in the country to work for the interests of PWDs, for his
28 untiring and selfless advocacy to uplift the welfare and champion the empowerment
29 of persons with disability;

30 WHEREAS, on 18 April 2021, Manuel “Noli” V. Agcaoili passed away and left a
31 legacy of determination and perseverance that will inspire our people, particularly

1 those with physical limitations, and the enduring lesson that disability is not an
2 obstacle to success and achieving great things: Now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, To honor the late Manuel "Noli" V. Agcaoili for his
4 selfless dedication to the welfare and empowerment of persons with disability.

5 Let a copy of this Resolution be furnished the bereaved family of the late Manuel
6 "Noli" V. Agcaoili.

Adopted,


FRANKLIN M. DRILON
Senator