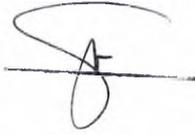


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Introduced by SEN. WIN GATCHALIAN

RESOLUTION
EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND SINCERE
CONDOLENCES OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES ON THE DEATH
OF THE 12TH PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
(1992-1998), FORMER CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE
ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (1986-1988), AND
FORMER SECRETARY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE (1988-1991)
HONORABLE FIDEL VALDEZ RAMOS

1 **WHEREAS**, the Honorable President Fidel Valdez Ramos, 12th President
2 of the Republic of the Philippines (1992-1998), former Chief of Staff of the
3 Armed Forces of the Philippines (1986-1988), and former Secretary of National
4 Defense (1988-1991), passed away on July 31, 2022, at the age of 94.

5 **WHEREAS**, he was born from a family with a long history of public
6 service, which helped in shaping his desire to be of service for the Filipino
7 people, with his father, Ambassador Narciso R. Ramos, a former assemblyman
8 who eventually became the Foreign Affairs Minister under Ferdinand E. Marcos,
9 Sr, his mother, Angela Marcos Valdez of Batac, Ilocos Norte, a cousin of Mariano
10 Marcos, and his sisters, former Senator Leticia Ramos-Shahani and Consul
11 Gloria Ramos-Da Rodda;

12 **WHEREAS**, as the husband of Amelita Martinez and the father of
13 daughters, Angelita Ramos-Jones, Carolina Ramos-Sembrano, Cristina Ramos-
14 Jalasco Gloria Ramos, and Josephine Ramos-Samartino, he dedicated his life to

1 public service and pursued his aspiration for economic growth and lasting peace
2 in our country;

3 **WHEREAS**, his degree on Bachelor of Science in Military Engineering at
4 the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York, and Master's degree in Civil
5 Engineering at the University of Illinois led him to enter the Philippine army,
6 wherein he held every rank from second lieutenant to commander-in-chief and
7 never lost his military bearing and swagger as he served in the Korean War as
8 a platoon leader and in the Vietnam War as a leader of the Philippine Civil Action
9 Group and later on appointed as the Deputy Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces
10 of the Philippines in 1981 ;

11 **WHEREAS**, he was instrumental in regaining the country's freedom and
12 stayed true to his oath in the military when he served as Armed Forces of the
13 Philippines Chief of Staff (1986–88) and Secretary of National Defense (1988–
14 1991) during President Cory Aquino's administration, where he took measures
15 to protect the nation and quell many coup attempts;

16 **WHEREAS**, his presidency brought a period of political and economic
17 growth which put the Philippines on the map for being the "Rising Economic
18 Tiger of Asia" as the Philippine Stock Exchange in the mid-1990s was one of
19 the best in the world and his visions of 'Philippines 2000' led the country into a
20 newly industrialized country in the world and the "Tiger Cub Economy in Asia";

21 **WHEREAS**, he was a leader in contemporary history who, not only
22 promoted the importance of institutions, but also adopted competence in
23 governance when he pushed for deregulation and privatization of industries in
24 an economy that had been dominated by a few large companies, overhauled
25 the government's inefficient tax system, encouraged family-planning practices
26 to curb population growth, reorganized the state power company to improve
27 delivery of electricity to the public, authorized new power plants and turned
28 brownouts into a rarity;

29 **WHEREAS**, he carried out reforms to encourage private enterprise,
30 open trade and foreign investment. He traveled across Asia and the United

1 States, meeting with government and business leaders to stress his nation's
2 stable political climate, declining inflation and favorable exchange rates;

3 **WHEREAS**, he signed the very historic peace agreement with the Moro
4 National Liberation Front (MNLF), which ended the 24-year Moro armed
5 revolution headed by Nur Misuari in 1996;

6 **WHEREAS**, after his presidency, President Ramos founded the Ramos
7 Foundation for Peace and Development (RPDEV), a non-partisan, nonprofit,
8 non-stock organization dedicated to promoting peace and development in the
9 Philippines and the larger Asia-Pacific region, and eventually, because of his
10 passion to bring about peace in the region, he served as the Philippine Envoy
11 to China to strengthen bilateral ties;

12 **WHEREAS**, the Filipino people mourns the passing away of a great
13 leader whose aspirations were to lead the country towards unity and progress;

14 **RESOLVED BY THE SENATE**, to express, as it hereby expresses, its
15 profound sympathy and sincere condolences on the demise of the 12th
16 President of the Republic of the Philippines (1992-1998), former Chief of Staff
17 of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (1986-1988), and former Secretary of
18 National Defense (1988-1991), Honorable Fidel Valdez Ramos;

19 **RESOLVED, FURTHER**, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to
20 the bereaved family of the late President Fidel Valdez Ramos.

Adopted,



WIN GATCHALIAN