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Introduced by SENATOR RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.

RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING AND HONORING THE HEROISM AND BRAVERY OF CORPORAL JERRY R. PALACIO (INF), PA FOR HIS SELFLESS SACRIFICE OF PUTTING HIS LIFE ON THE LINE DURING THEIR CONDUCT OF HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE AND DISASTER RESPONSE OPERATIONS AT SAN ISIDRO, NORTHERN SAMAR

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines recognizes and acknowledges the exemplary courage and bravery of those on the frontlines who continue to fulfill their duties despite imminent danger, risking their own lives in bringing service to the Filipino;

WHEREAS, Corporal Jerry R. Palacio (Inf) PA (Philippine Army), who lost his life during their emergency response operations in San Isidro, Northern Samar on January 9, 2023. San Isidro was inundated by flood waters due to continuous rains caused by low pressure area and the shear line, which trapped a number of residents;

WHEREAS, The 8th Infantry Division of the PA immediately deployed its personnel to support the local government's rescue operations that day. It was during this mission that Corporal Palacio fell victim to the onrush of flood waters;

WHEREAS, Corporal Palacio is a patriot who was always ready to serve, especially in times of emergency. The tribute of the Defense Department reads, "*He paid the ultimate sacrifice in service to our people and the country he loved. He was a courageous and heroic individual, who always put the needs of others before himself. He will forever be remembered by our grateful nation in the highest regard';*

WHEREAS, Corporal Palacio has affirmed in his sacrifice the commitment to "One Defense Team" that aims to bolster all efforts of the national government in safeguarding communities against disasters - particularly in capacitating responders in the uniformed services and the public sector and echoing the call to provide additional benefits for those involved in humanitarian response work;

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines joins the Department of Defense and the Armed Forces of the Philippines in honoring the sacrifice of Corporal Jerry R. Palacio (Inf), PA. His heroism and selflessness of putting his life on the line in ensuring the safety of the greater good is a testament of the Filipino *bayanihan*;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to recognize and honor the heroism and bravery of Corporal Jerry R. Palacio (Inf), PA for his selfless sacrifice of putting his life on the line during their conduct of humanitarian assistance and disaster response operations at San Isidro, Northern Samar.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That copy of this Resolution be furnished to the bereaved family of Corporal Jerry R. Palacio (Inf), PA.

Adopted,

RAMON BONG REVILLA JR.