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**Introduced by Senator ALFREDO S. LIM**

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**RESOLUTION**  
**IN COMMEMORATION OF THE DEMISE OF A DAUNTLESS**  
**STALWART OF PRESS FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY,**  
**MAXIMO V. SOLIVEN,**

**WHEREAS**, grief engulfed not only the domain of press and circle of media people, but its environs as well, as far as the political arena when the sudden demise in Japan of 77-year old MAXIMO V. SOLIVEN, the publisher of the prestigious PHILIPPINE STAR newspaper, was heralded last November 24, 2006;

**WHEREAS**, MAXIMO SOLIVEN was an indubitable epitome of an accomplished journalist, esteemed for his integrity and vast knowledge on all the *multi-faceted aspects of life and circles of human endeavor* who became the epitome of responsible and honest journalism in the country;

**WHEREAS**, his success was not reaped overnight a bed of roses, having tremendously suffered and incarcerated in his triumphant fight with the dictatorship during the Martial Rule regime, without relenting, however, on his indefatigable crusade of keeping watch for any sign of deterioration in this country's democratic processes, through strong censure and criticism in his avidly-patronized "BY THE WAY"- column in the PHILIPPINE STAR;

**WHEREAS**, MAXIMO V. SOLIVEN has been an inspiration of his peers and the effective motivation among the young journalists of his time, having been acclaimed, as always, to be an esteemed prolific writer whose yielded works, as an incurable traveler around the continent, were excellent pieces of learning from history to

current events involving various aspects of life and fields of human endeavors, replete with his well-researched literary and political doctrines;

**WHEREAS**, the chivalry, humility and magnanimity of deceased **MAXIMO V. SOLIVEN** have gained him the compelling reward of being buried with honors at the Libingan ng mga Bayani in Fort Bonifacio, Taguig, Metro Manila; .

**WHEREAS**, the Senate of the Philippines, in condoling with the anguishing bereaved family, relatives and friends of the late **MAXIMO V. SOLIVEN** is also in deep mourning for the great loss of a legendary journalist and dauntless crusader for "truth to prevail" not only in political arena but in all facets of human endeavor in his lifetime, for which he deserved this **NATIONAL ACCOLADE**: Now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES**, To impart, as it hereby imparts, its heartfelt commiseration and intense sorrow for the final farewell to his mortal existence of departed **MAXIMO V. SOLIVEN**, who is **RECOGNIZED** as a **revered journalist in his lifetime**, not only as the publisher of the prestigious **PHILIPPINE STAR**, a staunch defender of democratic processes but for bequeathing to this nation an enriched memoirs of his war against oppression and injustice, through his pen, for the next generation to emulate.

**RESOLVED, FURTHER**, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the grieving family of the late **MAXIMO V. SOLIVEN**.

  
**ALFREDO S. LIM**  
Senator