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Introduced by Senator Francis N. Pangilinan

## A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING SEN. PIA S. CAYETANO'S ELECTION AS PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE OF WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS UNION (IPU)

WHEREAS, during the 118<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) in Cape Town, South Africa, Senator Pia S. Cayetano was unanimously elected President of the Committee of Women Parliamentarians of the IPU;

WHEREAS, Sen. Pia S. Cayetano ran unopposed and was voted by acclamation, obtaining the unanimous support of delegates representing all the geopolitical groups comprising the committee: Asia Pacific, Latin America, Euroasia, Africa, Europe and the Arab Group. Senator Cayetano is the first Filipino and Asian to head the eighteen year old committee;

WHEREAS, Sen. Cayetano was previously elected First Vice President of the committee in 2006 at the IPU's 114<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in Nairobi, Kenya;

WHEREAS, the lady senator has been actively involved in the IPU since presiding over the meeting of women parliamentarians at the Union's 112<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in Manila last 2005;

WHEREAS, in 2007, Sen. Cayetano spoke before the United Nations Division for the Advancement of Women (UNDAW) in New York on the issue of violence against women and children;

WHEREAS, she was likewise a speaker at this year's assembly on the topic of maternal, infant and child health;

WHEREAS, the IPU is an international organization of parliaments of sovereign states established in 1889, and is widely considered the world's very first permanent forum for multilateral cooperation. It currently counts 143 national parliaments as members, and seven regional parliamentary assemblies as associate members.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, as it is hereby resolved, that the Senate of the Philippines to congratulate and commend Senator Pia S. Cayetano for being unanimously elected as President of the Committee of Women Parliamentarians of the IPU during its 118<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in Cape Town, South Africa.

ADOPTED,

