FIFTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE

P.S.R. No. ____70

Introduced by: SEN. RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING PURIFICACION QUISUMBING FOR BEING UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED CHAIRPERSON OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Former Commission on Human Rights chairperson Purificacion Quisumbing was unanimously elected chairperson of the Advisory Committee of the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) during its elections this week in Geneva, Switzerland.

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee of the United Nations Human Rights Council is composed of 18 elected human rights experts from all over the world whose mandate was to conduct studies on discriminatory practices and to make recommendations to ensure that racial, national, religious, and linguistic minorities are protected by law.

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee is considered one of the most important in the organization as it serves as the 'think tank' of the United Nations Human Rights Council provides it with expertise and advice on thematic human rights issues pertaining to the 192 member states.

WEHREAS, presently the Advisory Committee is working on topics of importance to the Philippines, such as the elimination of discrimination against persons affected by leprosy; missing persons; the right to food; the right of peoples to peace; enhancement of international cooperation on human rights; and human rights education and training.

WHEREAS, Dr. Quisumbing's election as Chair of the Advisory Committee reaffirms our country's image as a staunch advocate of human rights and follows the long tradition of Philippine leadership in international human rights engagement.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED as it is hereby resolved that the Senate of the Philippines congratulate Purificacion Quisumbing for being unanimously elected chairperson of the advisory committee of the United Nations Human Rights Council.

Adopted,

RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR