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## Senate

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## RESOLUTION No. 123

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION OF THE SENATE TO THE HONORABLE JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA FOR HIS INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SENATE AND THE NATION DURING HIS TERMS AS SENATOR

WHEREAS, the Honorable Jinggoy Ejercito Estrada served as senator for two (2) consecutive terms of office (2004-2010 and 2010-2016);

WHEREAS, during his terms as senator, he was elected Senate President Pro Tempore of the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Congresses, a position he competently performed with his mastery and grasp of the parliamentary rules and procedures;

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2013, he was designated as Acting Senate President when Senator Juan Ponce Enrile resigned from the position as Senate President;

WHEREAS, a dedicated and indefatigable public servant he became one of the most prolific and productive legislators of the country having been credited for the passing of important measures such as the Domestic Workers Act or "Batas Kasambahay": the Act Rationalizing the Composition and Functions of the National Labor Relations Commission (NLRC); the Act Strengthening the Regulatory Functions of the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA): the Act Strengthening the Workers' Constitutional Right to Self-Organization: the Act Strengthening and Expanding the Coverage of the Special Program for the Employment of Students: the Act Securing the State and Protecting the People from Terrorism; the Act Strengthening the University of the Philippines as a National University; the Act Declaring a National Policy for Tourism as an Engine for Investment. Employment, Growth and National Development; the Act Establishing a Socialized and Low-Cost Housing Loan and Reconstructing and Condonation Program; the Magna Carta for Women: Strengthening the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP); the Magna Carta for Small Enterprises; the Act Promoting Environmental Awareness through Environment Education: the Act Promoting Development, Utilization and Commercialization of Renewable Energy Resources; and the Cybercrime Prevention Act;

WHEREAS, committed to improving the quality of life of the masses and promoting peace and order, he filed relevant legislative measures to provide added protection to media practitioners and to safeguard their rights and privileges; to establish effective support services for our migrant laborers; to empower local governments through fiscal autonomy and devolution down to the barangay level to implement tax reforms; to institute modernization measures at the Philippine National Police (PNP) to address worsening human rights abuses and involuntary disappearances; and to widen access to quality higher education;

WHEREAS, his significant contributions have been highly instrumental to the Chamber's remarkable accomplishments during the 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Congresses: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, To express, as it hereby expresses, its gratitude and appreciation to the Honorable Jinggoy Ejercito Estrada for his invaluable contributions to the Senate and the nation during his terms as senator.

Adopted,

RANKLIN M. DRILON President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June  $6,\ 2016.$ 

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Secretary of the Senate