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RESOLUTION No. 149

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE SENATE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE, THE HONORABLE
RALPH G. RECTO, FOR HIS EXCELLENT
PERFORMANCE AND INVALUABLE
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SUCCESS OF THE
EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the Honorable Ralph G. Recto, a man of wisdom and an excellent legislator, has dutifully and conscientiously performed his duties and responsibilities as Senate President Pro Tempore;

WHEREAS, as Senate President Pro Tempore of the 17th and 18th Congresses, he had efficiently and effectively assisted

the Senate President in presiding over the deliberations of important issues at hand in this august Hall, always ready and willing to share his expertise and proficiency in parliamentary proceedings;

WHEREAS, he wittingly handled heated arguments and discussions during plenary proceedings, willingly and patiently listening to contradictory views without losing his composure, thus earning for him the respect and admiration of his colleagues in both the Majority and the Minority groups;

WHEREAS, a competent and independent thinker, he bravely tackled and defended unpopular legislative measures without fear of antagonizing public opinions, especially when the national interest is at stake;

WHEREAS, an economic and financial expert, he actively participated in the enactment of landmark measures, such as: Republic Act (RA) No. 11590, which taxes the Philippine Offshore Gaming Operations (POGOs); RA No. 11534, otherwise known as the "Corporate Recovery and Tax Incentives for Enterprises (CREATE) Act", RA No. 11469 or the "Bayanihan to Heal As One Act", which grants power to the Chief Executive to allow for greater flexibility in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic; RA No. 11494 or the "Bayanihan to Recover As One Act", which focuses on primary care and the improvement of the health system and its attendant benefits; and RA No. 11525 or the "COVID-19 Vaccination Program Act of 2021", which expedites vaccine procurement and administration process; RA No. 11524, which is also known as the "Coconut Farmers and Industry Trust Fund Act"; RA No. 11523 or the "Financial Institutions Strategic Transfer (FIST) Act"; RA No. 11520, which extends the availability of the 2020 General Appropriations Act to December 31, 2021; and RA No. 11519, which extends the availability of appropriations under the "Bayanihan to Recover As One Act";

WHEREAS, despite his busy schedule as Senate President Pro Tempore, he keeps up on his dedication and commitment to serve and uplift the people by taking part in the passage of vital pieces of legislation, namely: RA No. 11589 or the

“Bureau of Fire Protection Modernization Act”; RA No.11573, which improves the confirmation of process of imperfect land titles; RA No. 11517, which authorizes the President to expedite the processing and issuance of national and local permits, license and certification in times of national emergency; RA No. 11510, which is also known as the “Alternative Learning System Act”; RA No. 11509 or the “*Doktor Para sa Bayan Act*”; RA No. 11502, which declares the month of October of every year as the “National Cooperative Month”; and RA No. 11476 or the “GMRC and Values Education Act”, among others;

WHEREAS, for being a true and dedicated public servant with a deep sense of equity and fairness, who always put the people’s needs and concern first and foremost, he has greatly contributed to the productive performance of the Senate and truly deserves recognition and appreciation: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To commend, as it hereby commends, the Senate President Pro Tempore, the Honorable Ralph G. Recto, for his excellent performance and invaluable contributions to the success of the Eighteenth Congress of the Philippines.

Adopted,



VICENTE C. SOTTO III
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 1, 2022.



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