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RESOLUTION No. 225

RESOLUTION HONORING FORMER SENATE PRESIDENT JUAN PONCE ENRILE FOR HIS UNTIRING SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COUNTRY AND THE FILIPINO PEOPLE

WHEREAS, former Senate President, now Chief Presidential Legal Counsel Juan Ponce Enrile has been serving the country in various capacities for almost sixty (60) years, using his legal expertise and vast knowledge in creating important laws and helping ensure the government's effective implementation of policies on revenue generation, the economy, peace and order, national defense, and social services;

WHEREAS, at one hundred (100) years old, the former Senate President has contributed to the successes of the administrations of President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr., former Presidents Ferdinand Marcos, Sr., Corazon Aquino, Fidel Ramos, Joseph Estrada, Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III, and Rodrigo Duterte;

WHEREAS, the former Senate President has dedicated his life to public service as Finance Secretary and acting Chairperson of the Monetary Board (1966–1968), Justice Secretary (1968–1970), Defense Secretary (1970–1986), Batasan Pambansa Parliamentarian (1978–1986), Senator (1987–1992, 1995–2001, 2004–2010 and 2010–2016), and as Cagayan District Representative at the House of Representatives (1992–1995);

WHEREAS, also known as *Manong Johnny* whose slogan was "Gusto ko, happy ka," he has proven that the line is a real commitment to promote public welfare, as shown by laws which he authored on national security, health, climate change, reforms on the national elections, the power industry, and the national taxation regime, among others;

WHEREAS, the former Senate President secured a prominent place in the pages of Philippine history when as Defense Minister, he and then Armed Forces Vice Chief of Staff Fidel V. Ramos led the 1986 bloodless EDSA People Power Revolution, which was followed by his stellar record as the lone Minority member in the Senate from 1987 to 1992, where he expertly scrutinized bills and resolutions in the Upper Chamber. The former Senate President also showed his brilliance and legal acumen as presiding officer during the 2012 impeachment trial of then Supreme Court Justice Renato Corona;

WHEREAS, aside from his excellence as a public servant, he continues to capture the public interest as the "immortal Enrile" who has lived through various eras and world events;

WHEREAS, the former Senate President deserves the nation's commendation and a snappy salute for his incomparable performance as a public servant, as well as his contributions to the country and the Filipino people which are

worthy of the emulation of the present and future generations: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To honor former Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile for his untiring service and contributions to the country and the Filipino people.

Adopted,

FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO

President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on November 26, 2024.

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Secretary of the Senate

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