

Republic of the Philippines
Congress of the Philippines
Senate
Pasay City

Nineteenth Congress

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RESOLUTION No. 250

RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING JOSEPH
EJERCITO ESTRADA, FORMER PRESIDENT,
VICE PRESIDENT, SENATOR, AND MAYOR, FOR
HIS LEGACY IN PUBLIC SERVICE AND
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COUNTRY AND THE
FILIPINO PEOPLE

WHEREAS, Joseph Ejercito Estrada is one of the most prominent figures in Philippine politics, having served the nation as mayor, senator, vice president, and president;

WHEREAS, he had a successful acting career, starring in over 100 movies and 70 produced films, and being inducted to the FAMAS Hall of Fame, both as an actor and a producer;

WHEREAS, his passion and love for the film industry led him to establish the Movie Workers Welfare Foundation, Inc. (Mowelfund), a non-stock, non-profit social welfare, educational, and industry development foundation to uplift the welfare of workers in the Philippine motion picture industry;

WHEREAS, he transitioned to public service in 1969 after being elected Mayor of San Juan City, where he focused on improving education, infrastructure, and health services for the underprivileged, and pioneered the computerization of the local government real estate tax assessment;

WHEREAS, he was awarded Outstanding Mayor and Foremost Nationalist by the Inter-Provincial Information Service in 1971, Most Outstanding Metro Manila Mayor by the Philippine Princeton Poll in 1972, and one of the Ten Outstanding Young Men in Public Administration by the Philippine Jaycees in the same year;

WHEREAS, in 1987, he was elected to the Senate where he chaired the Committees on Cultural Communities and Rural Development; and authored Republic Act No. 7307 or the "Philippine Carabao Act", which created the Philippine Carabao Center, as well as Republic Act No. 6978 or "An Act to Promote Rural Development by Providing for an Accelerated Program Within a Ten-Year Period for the Construction of Irrigation Projects", which mandated the National Irrigation Administration to develop irrigation projects for 1.5 million hectares of unirrigated land;

WHEREAS, in 1989, he was recognized as one of the Three Outstanding Senators of the Year by the Philippine Free Press, and in 1991, was part of the "Magnificent 12" who voted for the termination of the RP-US Military Bases Agreement;

WHEREAS, in 1992, he was elected Vice President of the Philippines, led the Presidential Anti-Crime Commission (PACC), and established the Philippine Drug Abuse Resistance Education (PhilDARE);

WHEREAS, in 1998, he was elected as the 13th President of the Philippines, introducing mass housing projects, expanding the coverage of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP), and establishing the "Educational Re-entry Agenda of the President for the Poor" (E.R.A.P). He also signed

into law Republic Act Nos. 8791 and 8792, strengthening the supervisory powers of the *Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas* and facilitating electronic commerce, respectively;

WHEREAS, after his presidency, he was elected Mayor of Manila from 2013 to 2019, and continues to be an influential leader with his role as Chairman Emeritus of the political party *Pwersa ng Masang Pilipino* (PMP);

WHEREAS, ever in touch with the needs of the common people, his legacy in public service is characterized by the ability to bridge legislation and policies with realities on the ground, for which reason, his mark and influence in governance continue to be recognized: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To honor and commend Joseph Ejercito Estrada, former President, Vice President, Senator, and Mayor, for his legacy in public service and contributions to the country and the Filipino people.

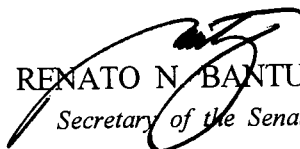
Adopted,



FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO

President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 4, 2025.



RENATO N. BANTUG Jr.

Secretary of the Senate