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RESOLUTION URGING THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT TO PROMOTE, SUPPORT, AND COLLABORATE WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES NATIONAL COLLEGE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNANCE, THE ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND THE PHILIPPINE SOCIETY FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION IN ADVANCING THE PRAXIS OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION IN THE COUNTRY AND IN COMMEMORATING THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION WEEK EVERY SECOND WEEK OF JUNE

WHEREAS, the study and practice of Public Administration are pivotal in developing an effective, efficient, and agile bureaucracy, in shaping sustainable policies and programs responsive to the needs of the people, and in fostering a deeper appreciation for public service and governance;

WHEREAS, to professionalize the post-World War II bureaucracy and develop public sector leaders, the study of Public Administration was formally introduced in the Philippines through the establishment of the then Institute of Public Administration (IPA) at the University of the Philippines on 15 June 1952, the first such higher learning institution in Asia and the country. The IPA would later become the UP National College of Public Administration and Governance (NCPAG), evolving from providing in-service training programs to offering graduate and undergraduate degree courses, spearheading research on various aspects of public policy and administration, and extending extensive public service support to the government;

WHEREAS, to support the formal introduction of Public Administration and its relevance in promoting the development and welfare of the Filipinos, former President Diosdado Macapagal designated the third week of February through Proclamation No. 82, Series of 1963 as Public Administration Week (PA Week). This proclamation calls upon the participation and support of the government, private sector, academe, civil and professional organizations, media, and other stakeholders to advance the nation towards a more efficient, economical, and sustainable society;

WHEREAS, the UP NCPAG, as the pioneering school of public administration, management, and governance in the country, has taken a leading role not only in the development of teaching, research, and public service in relation to the praxis of Public Administration, but also in bringing together stakeholders through the establishment of the Association of Schools of Public Administration in the Philippines (ASPAP) in 1979, and the Philippine Society for Public Administration (PSPA) in 1981;

WHEREAS, the ASPAP, as a non-stock national organization of colleges and universities offering Public Administration education programs in the Philippines, seeks to improve the discipline's study and practice among its member institutions through instruction, research, extension, and related advocacy work;

WHEREAS, the PSPA, a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing the praxis of Public Administration, is the sole professional organization for Public Administration in the Philippines, with the dual objectives of maintaining and achieving a high standard of professionalism in the study and practice of Public Administration and facilitating the production and dissemination of research findings in the field;

WHEREAS, PA Week is a nationwide observance that functions as a platform to unify governmental organizations, academic institutions, and professionals and to facilitate collaboration, knowledge co-creation, and recognition of contributions made in the field of Public Administration and Governance while promoting a more comprehensive understanding of the discipline's evolving role in professionalizing the bureaucracy and developing public sector leaders: Now therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To urge the National Government to promote, support, and collaborate with UP NCPAG, ASPAP, and PSPA in advancing the praxis of Public Administration in the country and in commemorating the Public Administration Week every second week of June.

Adopted,

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This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on 04 February 2025.

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