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RESOLUTION NO. 63

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND
SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES OF
THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES ON THE
DEATH OF HON. CARLOS M. PADILLA, THE
GOVERNOR OF THE PROVINCE OF NUEVA
VIZCAYA, ON 5 MAY 2023

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has in several occasions paid its respects to remarkable Filipinos for their legacy and contribution to the country;

WHEREAS, Governor Carlos M. Padilla of Nueva Vizcaya died on May 5, 2023 at the age of 78, succumbing to acute myocardial infarction at his residence in Barangay Quirino,

Municipality of Solano in the said province. He is survived by his wife Ruth Raña Padilla; their three children, Carlos Jr., Ruthie May, and Carlo Paolo; and their grandchildren;

WHEREAS, Governor Padilla was born on September 19, 1944, in Dupax del Norte, Nueva Vizcaya to parents Constancio Padilla and Victoriano Mapili. He obtained his Bachelor of Commerce degree from Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP), where he served as President of the Student Council and received the Outstanding Alumnus Award. He also received his doctorate degree in Public Administration, honoris causa, from PUP;

WHEREAS, prior to his successful career as a veteran lawmaker, he served as a Local Chief Executive of the then undivided Municipality of Dupax, Nueva Vizcaya. He will be remembered as the last Mayor to serve the old Dupax and the first mayor to serve Dupax Del Norte;

WHEREAS, Governor Padilla dedicated 29 years to the realm of legislation. He served as an assemblyman for Nueva Vizcaya in the Interim Batasang Pambansa from 1978 to 1984, and as a representative for the Lone Legislative District of Nueva Vizcaya during the Eight Congress from 1987 to 1992, Tenth to Twelfth Congresses from 1995 to 2004, and Fourteenth to Sixteenth Congress from 2007 to 2016. He was also the Governor of Nueva Vizcaya from 2016 until his demise on May 5, 2023;

WHEREAS, during his tenure in Congress, Governor Padilla served as Deputy Speaker and Minority Leader. He also became a member of significant congressional bodies, such as the Commission on Appointments (CA) and the House of Representatives Electoral Tribunal (HRET);

WHEREAS, a longtime advocate of accessible education, Padilla authored several landmark pieces of legislation including Republic Act No. 6655 or the Free Public Secondary Education Act of 1988 and Republic Act No. 6728 or the Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education Act. He also pushed for the development of access roads and bridges in the remote and upland communities in

Nueva Vizcaya to bring education closer to the indigenous peoples (IPs);

WHEREAS, Governor Padilla, known as the “Legend of the North”, is celebrated for his unwavering dedication to service and remarkable contributions to his fellow Novo Vizcayanos and the Filipino people. He played a pivotal role in transforming Nueva Vizcaya into a province with a vibrant culture and thriving economy. Under his leadership, he spearheaded numerous infrastructure projects, sustainable livelihood programs, and agri-fishery development initiatives, including the establishment of a solar-powered cold storage facility and depot pilot project aimed at ensuring food security. Furthermore, he proactively addressed the adverse effects of destructive mining activities and implemented various socio-economic projects;

WHEREAS, Governor Padilla will forever hold a special place in the hearts of the people he served, as he exemplified passion and unwavering commitment to public service;

WHEREAS, the demise of Governor Padilla is a great loss not only to his bereaved family and the Novo Vizcayanos, but to the whole nation as well, and the Senate of the Philippines joins his family and Nueva Vizcaya in mourning the death of its patriarch: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To express, as it is hereby expresses, its profound sympathy and sincere condolences on the death of Nueva Vizcaya Governor Carlos M. Padilla;

Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be given to the bereaved family of Governor Padilla.


Adopted,



JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI

President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on
May 31, 2023.



RENATO N. BANTUG Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

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