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P.S. Res. No. 844

Introduced by Honorable Senator JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING PHILIPPINE DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND ITS HEAD OF SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT SERVICE MAJOR FERDINAND MARCELINO FOR BEING AN INCORRUPTIBLE AGENCY AND OPERATIVE AMIDST THE BATTLE AGAINST ILLEGAL DRUGS

WHEREAS, Article 1, Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution provides that "Public office is a public trust. Public officers and employees must at all times be accountable to the people, serve them with utmost responsibility, integrity, loyalty, and efficiency, act with patriotism and justice, and lead modest lives.";

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has in several occasions paid tribute to exemplary Filipino public servants for being true to their oath of office to which they are appointed;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency has been true on its mandate to fight illegal drugs and its proliferation in the community headed by none less than its Chief Dionisio Santiago;

WHEREAS, a Philippine Marines Officer belonging to PMA Class '94 detailed at PDEA as the head of Special Enforcement Service Major Ferdinand Marcelino headed a buy-bust operation on September 20, 2008 at Quezon City and ayala Alabang, Muntinlupa arresting red-handedly Richard Santos Brodett, Jorge Jordana Joseph and Joseph Ramirez Teczon;

WHEREAS, days after the arrest of the accused Major Ferdinand Marcelino was offered P3-Million bribe for the release and the dropping of the charges against the accused;

WHEREAS, Major Ferdinand Marcelino stood on his valiant virtues and stuck on the principles of the PMA and never gave in to the bribe offered;

WHEREAS, the example shown by this Honorable Gentleman in deciding to work with the correct system is worthy of emulation by all of those serving in the government.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES, to express its sincere commendations to Philippine Drug enforcement Agency and Major Ferdinand Marcelino for being an incorruptible agency and operative amidst the battle against illegal drugs.

JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA 119/00

Senator