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A RESOLUTION

**EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHIES AND SINCERE
CONDOLENCES OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES ON THE DEATH
OF EXECUTIVE MINISTER ERANO "KA ERDY" DE GUZMAN MANALO OF
THE IGLESIA NI CRISTO**

WHEREAS, the well-loved and highly respected Executive Minister of the Iglesia ni Cristo (INC), Erano "Ka Erdy" Manalo, is appreciated for his sterling contributions to the growth of the Iglesia ni Kristo movement as well as in promoting love of country, nationalism and a sense of community and discipline among Filipinos;

WHEREAS, his leadership helped instill a culture of unity and respect among members of the congregation as well as inspire other Filipinos to imbibe a deeper love for country and concern for fellowmen;

WHEREAS, the Iglesia ni Cristo's contribution to Philippine society is well-known and acknowledged especially in the area of community-building, peace and order and a sense of oneness of purpose;

WHEREAS, on August 31 2009, Erano "Ka Erdy" Manalo, Executive Minister of the Iglesia ni Cristo, passed away at the age of 84;

WHEREAS, Ka Erdy, born on January 2, 1925, is the fifth child of the late Felix Y. Manalo, founder and first Executive Minister of the Iglesia ni Cristo and Honorata de Guzman;

WHEREAS, he initially took up law, but left his studies to become a minister of the Iglesia ni Cristo;

WHEREAS, in 1953, ten years before his father's death, Ka Erdy was elected successor to his father as Executive Minister;

WHEREAS, there was so much expectations upon Ka Erdy to continue the legacy of his late father;

WHEREAS, Ka Erdy have not only met but even surpassed such expectations for the benefit of the organization which he has sworn to serve;

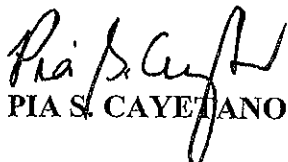
WHEREAS, with Ka Erdy as the spiritual leader, the INC demonstrated the Church's responsiveness to the needs of the poor, including the establishment of model land reform programs even before the government initiated agrarian reforms;

WHEREAS, Ka Erdy is said to have a warm, friendly personality, but is reputed to be an authoritative and decisive leader by friends and foes alike;

WHEREAS, there is a deep sense of loss and sadness that can be felt with the passing of the respected Executive Minister Ka Erdy and he will always be remembered;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Senate of the Philippines express its profound sympathies and condolences over the death of Executive Minister Erano “Ka Erdy” de Guzman Manalo and equally remember and commend his leadership and contributions to the Iglesia ni Cristo and his compassion for all its members.

Adopted,


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