FIFTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC) OF THE PHILIPIPNES Second Regular Session)



SENATE

P.S. RES. NO. 799

Introduced by Senator VICENTE C. SOTTO III

RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE SENATE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE, THE HONORABLE JINGGOY ESTRADA, FOR HIS OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE DURING THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

WHEREAS, the Honorable Senator Jinggoy Estrada has performed with distinction his duties as President Pro Tempore;

WHEREAS, having acquired growing and deeper knowledge of parliamentary rules and procedures, he competently performed his role as deputy to the Senate President and presided over the plenary sessions with utmost dedication;

WHEREAS, as Chairman of the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development and of the Joint Congressional Oversight Committee on Labor and Employment, he has not wavered in his resolve to improve the plight of the labor sector and ensure the protection of their rights and privileges, as shown by his committee's investigation on the reported deaths of workers in the Keppel Subic shipyard, among others;

WHEREAS, during the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress, he sponsored the following measures that were enacted into law: R.A. No. 10151, entitled "An Act Allowing The Employment of Night Workers, Thereby Repealing Articles 130 and 131 of P. D. 442, as Amended, Otherwise Known as the Labor Code of the Philippines" and R.A. 10156, entitled "An Act Conferring Upon Members of the Sangguniang Bayan, Sangguniang Panlungsod and Sangguniang Panlalawigan, the Appropriate Civil Service Eligibility Under Certain Circumstances, and for Other Purposes", and R.A. 10158, entitled "An Act Decriminalizing Vagrancy, Amending for this Purpose Article 202 of Act 3815, As amended, otherwise known as the "Revised Penal Code";

WHEREAS, he also authored and sponsored the proposed "Foster Care Act", which addresses the special needs of children under difficult circumstances, and which has been transmitted to the President of the Republic for approval;

WHEREAS, being an ardent supporter of the fundamental equality before the law of men and women as enshrined in the Constitution, he authored the bill on Anti Discrimination Against Women;

WHEREAS, as an ex-officio member of the Blue Ribbon Committee, he actively participated in investigation hearings on contentious issues which resulted to the filing of bills like SB 2917 (DND-AFP Reorganization Act) and SB 3120 (Secrecy Foreign Currency Deposits), among others;

WHEREAS, his able leadership and efficient performance as Senate President Pro Tempore contributed to a productive Second Regular Session: Now therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, To commend, as it hereby commends, the Senate President Pro Tempore, the Honorable Senator Jinggoy Estrada, for his outstanding performance during the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress of the Philippines.

Adopted,

VICENTE C. SOTTO III

Senator