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SENATE

P.S. Resolution No. 255

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Introduced by Senator Cynthia A. Villar

RESOLUTION

CONDEMNING THE HEINOUS KILLING OF KRISTELLE "KAE" DAVANTES AND URGING THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO ACT WITH DISPATCH IN IDENTIFYING THE PERPETRATORS OF THE CRIME SO THAT THEY MAY BE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE

WHEREAS, it was reported in the news on 7 September 2013 that the lifeless body of a certain Kristelle "Kae" Davantes was found under a bridge in Silang, Cavite at 6:00 AM¹;

WHEREAS, as per news accounts, Kae Davantes, age 25, a senior account manager working for the Manila branch of the MRM digital marketing agency under the McCann Worldgroup Philippines, was last seen on the same date at 1:07 a.m. driving a beige Toyota Altis and exiting a parking lot in Bonifacio Global City²;

WHEREAS, upon initial police investigation it was found that the body of Ms. Devantes bore multiple stab wounds, her mouth still gagged with a handkerchief, and her hands tied with the seatbelt of a car while her car has not yet been found³;

WHEREAS, remembering also the senseless deaths of Mary Grace Esguerra, an 11 year old girl who was abducted and killed by a pedicab driver⁴ in March 2013, and Julie Calet, a high school student, who was bound and whose throat was slit in her own home in Pangasinan last 7 September 2013⁵, we are of the belief that women are more exposed to danger and highly vulnerable to crime, which should be the outmost concern of and immediately addressed by our law enforcement agencies;

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Police and the National Bureau of Investigation serve as our protectors and guardians of peace and order, ensure public safety, investigate and prevent crime, and bring criminal offenders to justice.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Senate shares the Nation's grief over the death of Kristelle "Kae" Davantes, condemns the heinous crime committed, and urges the law enforcement agencies to act with dispatch in identifying the perpetrators of the crime so that they may be brought to justice.

Adopted.

[Signature]
CYNTHIA A. VILLAR

¹Jaymee T. Gamil, Maricar Cinco *Justice for Kae Davantes cries mount*, posted on newsinfo.inquirer.net/484421/justice-for-kae-davantes-cries-mount.

²*Id*

³*Id*.

⁴Maricar Cinco. *Missing girl found dead in Los Baños*. posted on newsinfo.inquirer.net/374025/missing-girl-found-dead-in-los-banos.

⁵Eva Visperas, *Student Slain at Home*, posted on <http://www.philstar.com/nation/2013/09/10/1190741/student-slain-home>.