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Introduced by Senator Aquilino "Koko" Pimentel III

RESOLUTION
EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHY
AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES OF THE SENATE OF THE
PHILIPPINES ON THE DEATH OF FORMER SENATOR
DOMINADOR R. AYTONA (1965-1971)

WHEREAS, the Honorable Dominador R. Aytona, a distinguished member of the Senate from 1965-1971, educator, former cabinet member, and public servant passed away on 26 September 2017 at the age of 99;

WHEREAS, albeit coming from a humble beginning, he finished with high honors his primary and intermediate school education at the Albay Training Department and his teaching course at the Albay Normal School as a self-supporting student;

WHEREAS, after teaching in Vinsons (formerly Indan), Camarines Norte, he and his wife migrated to Manila, where he worked as a clerk in the General Auditing Office during the day and pursued his college degree at night at the University of Manila, where he was a constant scholar, an outstanding student, and a gold medalist;

WHEREAS, he finished his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree in 1947 as *summa cum laude*, Bachelor of Laws degree in 1949 as *magna cum laude*, and Master of Laws in 1951 as *cum laude*;

WHEREAS, after passing the bar in 1950, placing 2nd with an average score of 94.55%, he joined the Senate as financial adviser and there became acquainted with then Representative Ramon Magsaysay of Zambales, and for his exemplary service, he was sent to the United

States for special studies in public finance and budgeting under a Fulbright and Smith-Mundt Training Grant;

WHEREAS, in 1954 he was appointed as Commissioner of the Budget by then President Ramon Magsaysay, and in 1960 he was also appointed by then President Carlos P. Garcia as Secretary of Finance and, concurrently, Chairman of the Monetary Board of the Central Bank;

WHEREAS, he then ran for senator and placed 6th during the November 9, 1965 senatorial elections;

WHEREAS, the neophyte senator of the 6th Congress served as Chairman of the Committees on Civil Service, Ways and Means, and Finance, where he was instrumental in the enactment of the following landmark legislative measures: Republic Act No. 6063, entitled "An Act Fixing the Salaries of Officers and Employees of the Court of Tax Appeals"; Republic Act No. 5926, entitled "An Act Standardizing the Salaries of All National Officials and Employees of the General Auditing Office; Republic Act No. 6101, entitled "An Act Increasing the Salaries of the Officers and Employees of the Bureau of Posts"; Republic Act No. 5531, entitled "An Act Establishing the Bicol University"; and Republic Act No. 6014, entitled "An Act Creating the Students Loan Fund Authority," among others;

WHEREAS, during the 7th Congress, he actively participated in the enactment of the following measures: Republic Act No. 6124, entitled "An Act Providing for the Fixing of the Maximum Selling Prices of Essential Articles or Commodities, Creating the Price Control Council"; Republic Act No. 6126, entitled "An Act Regulating Rentals of Dwelling Units"; and Republic Act No. 6390, entitled "An Act Accelerating the Implementation of the Agrarian Reform Program," among others;

WHEREAS, after his stint in the government, he devoted himself to the private sector, serving as a business executive of a leading textile and garment manufacturer, thus continuing his resolve to help his constituents by providing them with work and other assistance;

WHEREAS, his passing away is a great loss not only to his bereaved family, but to the nation, as well;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, To express, as it hereby expresses, its profound sympathy and sincere

condolences on the death of Honorable Dominador R. Aytona, former Senator (1965-1971).

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the bereaved family of the Honorable Dominador R. Aytona.

Adopted,


AQUILINO "KOKO" PIMENTEL III