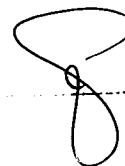


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Introduced by **Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid**

RESOLUTION
EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE TO HONOR THE MEMORY
OF THE FALLEN SOLDIERS WHO DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY,
FIGHTING AGAINST DAWLAH ISLAMIYAH-MAUTE GROUP (DI-MG)
IN MUNAI, LANA DEL NORTE ON FEBRUARY 18, 2024 AND
EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND SINCERE
CONDOLENCES OF TO THEIR FAMILIES AND LOVED ONES

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines recognizes the bravery and sacrifice of the soldiers who lost their lives during the military operations against Dawlah Islamiyah-Maute Group (DI-MG);

WHEREAS, the six members of the 44th Infantry Battalion (44IB). They, along with the 7th Scout Ranger Company (SRC) under the 3rd Scout Ranger Battalion, tracked down and engaged the DI-MG, which is a local affiliate of the Islamic State (IS) terrorist network, in Lanao del Norte;

WHEREAS, the six Army soldiers, who unfortunately lost their lives during the encounter on February 18, 2024, were as follows:

1. Private (PVT) James Porras
2. Private (PVT) Michael John Lumingkit
3. Private First Class (PFC) Arnel Tornnito
4. Corporal (CPL) Reland Tapinit
5. Corporal (CPL) Rey Anthony Salvador
6. Corporal (CPL) Rodel Mobida

WHEREAS, this tragic incident occurred three weeks following the successful operation to apprehend DI gunmen on January 25-26, 2024. This resulted in the death of nine terrorists, three of whom were identified to have been responsible for the December 3 bombing of a Catholic Mass inside the Mindanao State University in Marawi City;

WHEREAS, the sacrifices of these fallen soldiers have not only served to bring justice to the victims but also to protect our democracy by pursuing our efforts to end terrorism in our country;

WHEREAS; these soldiers exemplified the highest ideals of service and patriotism, giving their lives to protect our nation and its people;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the Senate of the Philippines honors the memory of the fallen soldiers who died in the line of duty on February 18, 2024, fighting against Dawlah Islamiyah-Maute Group (DI-MG) in Munai, Lanao Del Norte;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Senate extends its deepest condolences to the families and loved ones of the fallen soldiers, recognizing their immense loss and sacrifice;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the families of the fallen soldiers and be made a part of the official record of the Senate of the Philippines.

Adopted,



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Senator

