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Introduced by Senator Pangilinan

RESOLUTION
COMMENDING THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THE HONORABLE
FRANKLIN M. DRILON, FOR THE SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCE OF
THE SENATE DURING THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE
THIRTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the Senate President, the Honorable Franklin M. Drilon, discharged with probity and dedication the responsibilities of his high office and presided with distinction over the First Regular Session of the Thirteenth Congress of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, his abiding faith in the parliamentary tradition of democratic debates and consensus-building promoted collegial harmony among the members of the Chamber, cordiality between the Majority and the Minority and comity between the Senate and the House of Representatives;

WHEREAS, guided by his solemn vow to serve the general welfare of the Filipino people, he participated in debates on policies of national importance that would benefit all sectors of society;

WHEREAS, the successful hosting of the 112th Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) General Assembly in Manila by the Philippine Senate on April 3-8, 2005 was the fulfillment of a dream pursued by the late Senate President Blas F. Ople in 1999, nurtured by former Senate President Aquilino Q. Pimentel Jr. in 2000, and accomplished by Senate President Drilon in 2002 when he secured the approval of the IPU Executive Committee;

WHEREAS, true to his vision that the IPU Assembly in Manila would present the country as a favorable area of trade and investment, a prime and safe destination for travelers, and build much needed political and diplomatic goodwill for the Philippines around the world, he worked tirelessly to ensure a conducive and fruitful international conference;

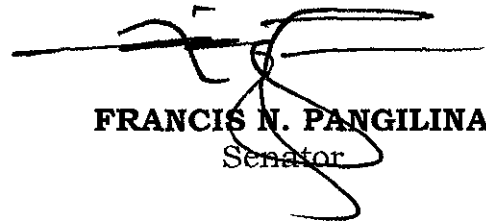
WHEREAS, the outstanding hosting by the Senate of the 112th IPU General Assembly has placed the Philippine Congress on the map of world legislatures as an active and relevant agent of the Filipino people strongly committed to the ideals of democracy, world peace, freedom, justice and equality;

WHEREAS, his immeasurable ability to bring out the best in his peers propelled the Senate to pass measures that would help resolve the country's fiscal crisis through tax reforms and accountability in governance, among others, and promote national growth and financial stability;

WHEREAS, the Senate President has once again demonstrated the enduring qualities of a statesman and a true national leader worthy of the admiration, respect, trust and confidence of the nation: *Now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, to commend, as it hereby commends, the President of the Senate, the Honorable Franklin M. Drilon, for the successful performance of the Senate during the First Regular Session of the Thirteenth Congress of the Philippines.

Adopted,



FRANCIS N. PANGILINAN
Senator