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Introduced by Honorable SENATOR JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA

**RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING HONORABLE SENATOR PIA "COMPAÑERA"
CAYETANO FOR BEING UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE
COMMITTEE OF WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS OF THE INTER-
PARLIAMENTARY UNION (IPU) DURING ITS 118TH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY HELD IN SOUTH AFRICA ON APRIL 14-17, 2008**

WHEREAS, the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) is an international organization of Parliamentarians of sovereign States established in 1889 which serves as the "focal point for world-wide parliamentary dialogue and works for peace and co-operation among peoples and for the firm establishment of representative democracy";

WHEREAS, the Committee of Women Parliamentarians, which was formally organized in 1990, is an important Committee in the IPU;

WHEREAS, the said committee serves as a permanent venue to voice women parliamentarians' concerns and issues in the IPU and this committee has influence on the policies, working and decisions of the IPU;

WHEREAS, the President of the Coordinating Committee of Women Parliamentarians is an ex officio member of the Executive Committee of the IPU making it possible to add a voice to those of the women Member Parliamentarians already elected to the Executive Committee, so that they may represent all of the Union's female members;

WHEREAS, during the 118th General Assembly held in South Africa from April 14-17, 2008, Honorable Senator Pia Cayetano was unanimously elected President of the Committee of Women Parliamentarians of the Inter-Parliamentary Union;

WHEREAS, Senator Cayetano is the very first Filipino and Asian to head the committee and who obtained unanimous support from women lawmakers from Asia Pacific, Latin America, Europe, Africa and the Middle East;

WHEREAS, the election of Senator Pia Cayetano as the President of the Coordinating Committee of Women Parliamentarians brings honor to the Filipino nation;

WHEREFORE, be it resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the Philippine Senate, to congratulate the Honorable Senator Pia "Compañera" Cayetano as the newly elected President of the Committee of Women Parliamentarians of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) during its 118th General Assembly.

Adopted,


JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA
Senator