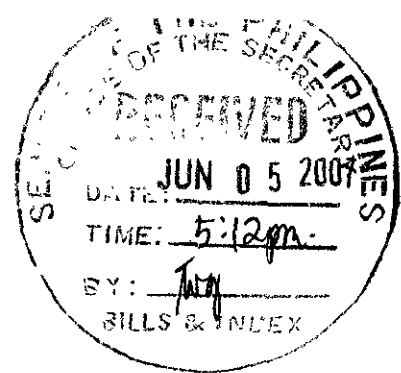


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Introduced by Senate President Manny Villar

RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE HONORABLE RAMON B. MAGSAYSAY, JR. FOR HIS INVALUABLE AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE SENATE AND THE NATION DURING HIS TERMS AS SENATOR

WHEREAS, the Honorable Ramon B. Magsaysay, Jr., has served this august Chamber for twelve (12) consecutive years (1995-2001 and 2001-2007) and chaired the committees on Trade and Commerce; Agriculture and Food; National Defense and Security; Science and Technology; Cooperatives; and Peace, Unification and Reconciliation;

WHEREAS, an advocate of honest and transparent government, economic growth through entrepreneurship, and the application of information technology in trade and commerce, he has authored or sponsored the enactment of landmark legislations such as the New Foreign Investment Act, Anti-Money Laundering Act, Electronic Commerce Act, Magna Carta for Small and Medium Enterprises, Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization Act, Regional Headquarters for Multi-National Companies Act, the Act Prohibiting the Use of Hard Surfactants, Jewelry Manufacturing Act, the Mechanical Engineering Act, and the Handline Fishing Act, among others;

WHEREAS, he performed with distinction as Chairman of the National Defense and Security committee when he led the Senate investigation on the alleged collusion between the military and the Abu Sayyaf group during the infamous Lamitan siege in Basilan; and as chairman of the Agriculture and Food committee when he exposed the shenanigans of top agricultural department officials during the investigation on the shameful P728-million fertilizer fund scam;

WHEREAS, although an engineer by profession, Senator Magsaysay has shown his expertise in the field of law, history, economics, banking and finance, trade and commerce, technology and government during floor debates on vital bills, and has carried out his duties with confidence, humility and dignity;

WHEREAS, his deep concern for the welfare of the Filipino youth extends even outside his legislative work in the Senate as he spearheaded scholarship programs for them, notably through his "Young Farmers Program" and his "Iskolar ni Magsaysay" project;

WHEREAS, for his firm commitment as senator to serve the national interest and the Filipino above all, he deserves the gratitude of this institution and the accolade of the nation; *Now, therefore, be it*

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, To commend, as it hereby commends, the Honorable Ramon B. Magsaysay, Jr. for his invaluable and dedicated service to the Senate and the nation during his terms as Senator of the 10th, 11th, 12th, and 13th Congress of the Republic of the Philippines.

Adopted,


MANNY VILLAR
Senate President