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P.S. RES. NO. 818

Introduced by Senator Vicente C. Sotto III

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION OF THE SENATE TO THE LATE SENATOR NEPTALI A. GONZALES FOR HIS INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SENATE AND THE COUNTRY DURING HIS TERMS AS SENATE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, a lawmaker with a deep compassion for the underprivileged from whose ranks he himself came, the late Senator Neptali A. Gonzales was elected thrice by his colleagues as Senate President: from December 12, 1991 to January 18, 1993, August 29, 1995 to October 10, 1996, and January 26, 1998 to May 28, 1998;

WHEREAS, under his leadership, the Senate passed economic reform bills including measures that further liberalized foreign investments, deregulated the downstream oil industry, and fostered the development of the country's capital market;

WHEREAS, he fought to preserve the independence of the Senate by his firm and uncompromising stand against attempts to amend the Constitution;

WHEREAS, his achievements as Senate President truly deserve the gratitude and appreciation of the Senate and of the Filipino people in whose service he entirely dedicated his life as a public servant;
Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, To express, as it hereby expresses, its gratitude and appreciation to the late Senator Neptali A. Gonzales for his invaluable contributions to the Senate and the country during his term as Senate President;

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the family of the late former Senate President Neptali A. Gonzales.

Adopted,

Vicente C. Sotto III