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**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE IN EXTENDING
ITS SUPPORT TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR DEMOCRATIC
ELECTIONS IN CAMBODIA (IPCDEC) FOR SOLIDARITY IN PROMOTING
FULL AND INCLUSIVE DEMOCRACY IN CAMBODIA**

WHEREAS, the International Committee for Democratic Elections in Cambodia (IPCDEC) is a group of parliaments expressing their solidarity to promote full and inclusive democracy in Cambodia. IPCDEC supports the much awaited democratic change in Cambodia;

WHEREAS, IPCDEC aims to raise the awareness of parliamentarians all over the world of the importance of addressing critical electoral issues and problems in the upcoming 28 July 2013 national elections. IPCDEC's vision statement is to assist in the restoration and consolidation of democracy in Cambodia by pushing for the conduct of free, fair and credible elections that meet international standards and genuinely empower the Cambodian people to make free and informed choices;

WHEREAS, based on reports and statements from the European Parliament, Inter-Parliamentary Union and Liberal International, past elections in Cambodia have been beleaguered with violence and electoral fraud. With the birth of the IPCDEC, free, fair and credible elections in Cambodia may be achieved through the support of relevant stakeholders within and outside Cambodia to restore democracy in the country;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate extends its full support to Cambodia in having a free, fair and credible elections this coming 28 July 2013. Being a democratic country, the Philippines supports Cambodia in promoting democracy and rule of law more particularly in the conduct of its upcoming elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES, to express its sense in extending support to the International Committee for Democratic Elections in Cambodia for solidarity in promoting full and inclusive democracy in Cambodia.

Adopted,

