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Introduced by Senator Vicente C. Sotto III

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE HIGH ESTEEM AND ADMIRATION OF THE SENATE FOR ITS DISTINGUISHED PRESIDENT, HONORABLE JUAN PONCE ENRILE, FOR THE LAUDABLE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THIS CHAMBER DURING THE FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

WHEREAS, Honorable Juan Ponce Enrile, elected once more as President of the Senate of the 15th Congress, discharged his duties and responsibilities with honor and total devotion to the trust vested in the Senate by the sovereign people;

WHEREAS, through his exemplary leadership, the Senate passed landmark social, justice, health, economic and fiscal reform laws laid down in the common legislative agenda such as the General Appropriations Act, GOCC Governance Act; Reforms in the Basic Education System; People's Survival Fund; the AFP Modernization Program; and the Amendments to the Anti-Money Laundering Act;

WHEREAS, his 47 years devoted to public service, both in the executive and legislative branches of government, has enriched the Senate as an institution with his wisdom, erudition, expertise of the law and the art of law making;

WHEREAS, such qualities provided the Senate a better perspective in the deliberation of vital pieces of legislation in the Fifteenth Congress;

WHEREAS, through his resolute, diligent, impartial and just leadership, he presided over the first successful Impeachment Trial in the history of the Philippine Senate, for which he was unanimously commended by his colleagues through Senate Resolution No. 89;

WHEREAS, with his keen knowledge of inter-chamber dynamics and the importance of health, educational, socio-economic and infrastructure services in the various legislative districts, the Senate promptly acted upon and passed a record number of bills from the House of Representatives;

WHEREAS, he supported President Aquino's Proclamation No. 506 which designated December 9 of every year as the National Anti-Corruption Day, as well as the successful hosting of the 5th Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption (GOPAC) held in Manila in January 2013, thus reaffirming the Chamber's

commitment to work with other parliaments, civil societies and people's organizations in the campaign to eliminate corruption;

WHEREAS, as Senate President, he recognized the vital role of the rank and file workers of the Senate in the attainment of the overall mission of the institution;

WHEREAS, cited and acknowledged for being "one of the most enduring and brilliant political figures in the country," Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile stands as a living testament of wisdom, logic and experience; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, To express, as it hereby expresses, its high esteem and admiration for its distinguished President, Honorable Juan Ponce Enrile, for the laudable accomplishment of this Chamber during the Fifteenth Congress.

Adopted,

enator Vicente C. Sotto III