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## P. S. Res. No. <u>603</u>

## Introduced by Senator JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI

## RESOLUTION HONORING AND REMEMBERING FIDELA M. MAGPAYO, MORE POPULARLY KNOWN AS "TIYA DELY", FOR HER UNPARALLELED ACHIEVEMENT AND CONTRIBUTION IN THE HISTORY OF PHILIPPINE BROADCAST MEDIA

WHEREAS, on 01 September 2008, the country lost one of its pillars in the broadcast media, Fidela Mendoza Magpayo, more popularly known as Tiya Dely, who passed away after succumbing to stroke;

WHEREAS, Tiya Dely, who is considered as the First Lady of Philippine Radio, started her career in broadcast media in 1940 at radio station kzRH, predecessor of DZRH;

WHEREAS, the Japanese occupation did not stop Tiya Dely from engaging in public service and providing comfort to our citizens, especially in war time and period of uncertainty, through the airwaves;

WHEREAS, Tiya Dely dispensed advice in her motherly fashion to all protagonists, especially to the delinquent youth and wayward adults, that in turn taught her listeners forgiveness and reconciliation;

WHEREAS, Tiya Dely answered queries with honesty and confidence gained from her own experience and through her advice, became a moral compass to various parties undergoing marital crises, moral issues and personal problems;

WHEREAS, Tiya Dely steadfastly worked for the preservation of Filipino moral values despite pervasive Western-influenced culture, drug and other vice-related turmoil, through her own life marked by modesty in language and manners, devotion to family and friends and love of God;

WHEREAS, in 1986, according to media accounts, it was Tiya Dely's voice that was first heard on air over DZMM when ABS-CBN reopened after the EDSA Revolution;

WHEREAS, Tiya Dely was one of the few media practitioners who have worked in all broadcast media – radio, movies and television, and even on stage as a leading lady in the Manila Grand Opera House; WHEREAS, Tiya Dely suffered a stroke while on deck in the radio booth of DZRH, an unassailed proof of her dedication to her profession and love for the broadcast industry;

WHEREAS, Tiya Dely's devotion to her profession which she does not consider as "work" but her "love" is worthy of emulation by professionals not only in the media but also by servants in public service;

WHEREAS, Tiya Dely devoted sixty-eight (68) years of her life to public service through the broadcast media, an outstanding achievement in itself which is hard to surpass or even equal;

WHEREAS, Tiya Dely's achievement and contribution in the history of Philippine Broadcast Media has been recognized by various prestigious awardgiving bodies and media organizations, among them the Pama-As Gintong Bai (Centennial Women) from the National Commission for Culture and the Arts, Gawad Plaridel from the University of the Philippines' College of Mass Communications, and Lifetime Achievement Award from the Kapisanan ng mga Broadkaster sa Pilipinas;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, that the Senate of the Philippines honors and remembers Fidela M. Magpayo, more popularly known as "Tiya Dely", for her unparalleled achievement and contribution in the history of Philippine Broadcast Media.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of this Resolution be given to the family of Tiya Dely.

Adopted,

JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI