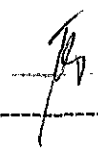


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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING MAJOR FERDINAND MARCELINO OF THE PHILIPPINE MARINE CORPS FOR DEMONSTRATING INTEGRITY, COURAGE AND DEDICATION TO DUTY IN HIS ROLE IN THE RECENT ARREST OF SUSPECTED HIGH-PROFILE ILLEGAL DRUG TRAFFICKERS.

Whereas, The recent allegations of bribery in relation to a high-profile drug-related case has once again brought to surface the worsening drug-trafficking problem in the country;

Whereas, While the government has taken measures such as the enactment in 2002 of a tougher law on drugs in Republic Act No. 9165 and the creation of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA), it appears that the government's fight against the illegal drug trade is hampered by either incompetence or negligence by those tasked to enforce the law and prosecute the wrongdoers;

Whereas, Worse, allegations of bribery in high levels of government further diminish the people's trust and confidence on those whose sworn task is to enforce the law;

Whereas, In the recent controversy surrounding the arrest of several suspected drug dealers following a buy-bust operation, agents from the PDEA Special Enforcement Agency particularly Maj. Ferdinand Marcelino of the Philippine Marine Corps stood up and showed their courage and devotion to duty by performing their duty without fear or favor;

Whereas, Maj. Marcelino deserves the country's recognition of his integrity and dedication to duty during these times when the people's trust on our law enforcers once again suffered a major setback; *Now, Therefore be it*

*Resolved by the Senate, To Commend Major Ferdinand Marcelino Of The Philippine Marine Corps For Demonstrating Integrity, Courage And Dedication To Duty In His Role In The Recent Arrest Of Suspected High-Profile Illegal Drug Traffickers.*

Adopted,



RODOLFO G. BIAZON  
Senator