



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 1866

BY REPRESENTATIVES SALAPUDDIN, FIGUEROA, ABAYON, NOGRALES, ESCUDERO, DEFENSOR (A.), DE GUZMAN, CASTRO, GOZOS, LAGMAN, MITRA, REMULLA, AMIN, GULLAS, CERILLES, ANTONINO, FUENTEBELLA, GARCIA (A.), GARCIA (V.), MACAPAGAL ARROYO, FLOIRENDO, DADIVAS, DEFENSOR (M.), MIRANDA, TAÑADA, MANDANAS, ABALOS, ABANTE, MARAÑON, BAUTISTA, GONZALES (R.), HIZON, CARMONA, AMANTE, ARROYO (I.), MADAMBA, DURANO, CAGAS, BUESER, CUA (G.), TALIÑO-SANTOS, REYES (V.), SUSANO, DIAZ, BARBERS, PARAS, GARIN, CAYETANO, AGARAO, SUPLICO, PLAZA, VILLANUEVA, ANTONINO-CUSTODIO, GUINGONA, HATAMAN, ANGARA, AQUINO (A.) AND NOEL

AN ACT INSTITUTING A CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1 SECTION 1. There is hereby instituted the Congressional Medal of
2 Honor, which is envisioned to recognize members of the Armed Forces of
3 the Philippines and the Philippine National Police who, whether in times of
4 peace or in times of war have, through their heroic, extraordinary and
5 selfless deeds, exhibited uncommon valor, and distinguished themselves
6 above and beyond the call of duty.

1 SEC. 2. The recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor shall be
2 entitled to promotion to the next higher rank, and he/she or his/her next-of-
3 kin shall receive the grant of One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00).

4 SEC. 3. *Nominations.* – Nominations for the award of the
5 Congressional Medal of Honor may be made by the armed service to which
6 the nominee belongs, or by any citizen of the Republic of the Philippines.

7 The said nominations, together with their supporting papers, shall be
8 addressed to the Committee on National Defense of the House of
9 Representatives which shall undertake the necessary measures, such as, but
10 not limited to, public hearings and investigations, in order to determine
11 whether or not the nominee is a worthy recipient of the said medal.

12 SEC. 4. *Rules and Regulations.* – Within thirty (30) days from the
13 effectivity of this Act, the House Committee on National Defense shall
14 promulgate the rules and regulations to implement effectively the
15 provisions of this Act.

16 SEC. 5. *Separability Clause.* – If any of the provisions of this Act
17 is held unconstitutional, the provisions not affected thereby shall remain
18 valid and binding.

19 SEC. 6. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, acts, decrees, executive
20 orders, administrative regulations and all other issuances or parts thereof
21 inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified
22 accordingly.

23 SEC. 7. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days
24 after its complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two
25 national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,