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SENATE

P. S. RES. NO. 307

Introduced by Senator Richard J. Gordon

and all Members of the Senate

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCE OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES ON THE DEATH OF HON. SIMEON A. DATUMANONG, FORMER REPRESENTATIVE OF THE 2ND DISTRICT OF MAGUINDANAO

WHEREAS, the Honorable Simeon A. Datumanong, former Member of the House of Representatives (1992-2001 and 2007-2013) representing the 2nd District of Maguindanao, former Secretary of Justice (January 16, 2003 to December 23, 2003), former Secretary of Public Works and Highways (2001-2003), former Member of the Regular Batasang Pambansa (1984) and concurrent Muslim Affairs Minister during the Marcos regime, the first Governor of Maguindanao (1973-1975) when the province of Cotabato was split to the provinces of Maguindanao, Sultan Kudarat and North Cotabato, former Governor of Cotabato (1967-1971), and former Vice-Governor of Cotabato (1963-1967), passed away on February 28, 2017, at the age of 81;

WHEREAS, he finished his elementary education as the class valedictorian at Cotabato Central School in 1949, his high school studies as first honorable mention at Cotabato High School, and his law study at the University of the Philippines, and was admitted to the Bar in 1959;

WHEREAS, devoting his life to public service that spans more than four (4) decades, the "Muslim- Filipino statesman" distinguished himself as a public leader and servant who had served in both the Legislative and the Executive branches of the government whose incomparable love of country and the Filipino people was very evident in his actions;

WHEREAS, as Congressman, he was instrumental in the creation of Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) and was a recipient of various awards namely, the Ten Outstanding Young Men (TOYM) in the field of Public Administration in 1974; Community Service Awards from the University of the Philippines Alumni Association (UPAA) and a three-time Kagitingan Award by the Philippine Constabulary, Philippine Army, and the Armed Forces of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the passing away of a great legal luminary and an epitome of good leadership is a great loss not only to his bereaved family but to the nation as well: **Now, therefore, be it**

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, To express, as it hereby expresses, its profound sympathy and sincere condolence on the death of Hon. Simeon A. Datumanong, former Representative of the 2nd District of Maguindanao.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the bereaved family of the Hon. Simeon A. Datumanong.

Adopted,



RICHARD J. GORDON
Senator