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Introduced by Senator RICHARD J. GORDON

RESOLUTION

HONORING THE LIFE DEDICATED TO PUBLIC SERVICE OF FORMER REPRESENTATIVE DR. JOSE "DODONG" R. GULLAS AND EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCE OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES ON HIS DEATH ON FEBRUARY 25, 2021

WHEREAS, Representative Dr. Dodong Gullas is a public servant from Cebu, a champion of Cebuano arts and music and education, a renowned journalist, and a devout supporter of the Catholic Church;

WHEREAS, Dr. Dodong Gullas was the chairman of The Freeman, the oldest Cebu daily newspaper, which was founded by his uncle in 1919 and was revived by him in 1965. True to its motto of being "Fair and Fearless", he served as the paper's chairman until his death, allowing the newspaper to grow and receive numerous accolades;

WHEREAS, Dr. Dodong Gullas was a titan of education, having served as the executive vice president of the University of the Visayas, pioneering night classes for working students at the university and enabling countless people to get an education through his "study now, pay later plan";

WHEREAS, Representative Dr. Dodong Gullas served as Cebu's first district representative in the 12th Congress from 2001 to 2004, and was instrumental in decentralizing the payroll system in public elementary schools to address the problem of the delayed release of salaries of teachers;

WHEREAS, Dr. Jose "Dodong" Gullas succumbed to pancreatic cancer on February 25, 2021 at the age of 87. He is survived by his wife Nena Gullas and children Joselito, Jacqueline Mary, Joie Marie, and John Vicente.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, for the Senate of the Republic of the Philippines to honor and extol the life of Dr. Jose "Dodong" Gullas, dedicated for public service and expresses, as it hereby expresses, profound sympathy and sincere condolences to his family on his passing.

RESOLVED, further, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to his bereaved family.

RICHARD J. GORDON