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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1413

Introduced by
Representative Pantaleon D. Alvarez,
Representative Rodolfo C. Fariñas and Representative Danilo E. Suarez

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF FORMER DEPUTY SPEAKER HENEDINA R. ABAD, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LONE DISTRICT OF BATANES DURING THE THIRTEENTH, FIFTEENTH, SIXTEENTH AND SEVENTEENTH CONGRESSES

WHEREAS, former Deputy Speaker and Representative Henedina R. Abad passed away on October 8, 2017 at the age of 62;

WHEREAS, *Dina*, as Representative Abad was fondly called by her loved ones, friends and colleagues, was a progressive lawmaker who served as Representative of the Lone District of Batanes from 2004 to 2007 and from 2010 to the present;

WHEREAS, before entering the political arena, Representative Abad was an educator and official of the Ateneo de Manila University and served as the founding dean of the Ateneo School of Governance;

WHEREAS, Representative Abad graduated *Cum Laude* with a degree of Bachelor of Arts in Economics at Maryknoll College and obtained her Master of Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University;

WHEREAS, Representative Abad worked for various non-governmental organizations and civic groups in the country and advocated for rural development as well as agrarian, social and health reforms;

WHEREAS, during the Fifteenth Congress, she authored a number of significant bills, among others, Republic Act No. 10150, entitled "*An Act Extending the Implementation of the Lifeline Rate, Amending for the Purpose*

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Section 73 of Republic Act Numbered Ninety-One Thirty-Six, Otherwise Known as the "Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001" which rationalized the prices of electricity to make the same affordable to the country's marginalized sectors, and Republic Act No. 10354, otherwise known as the "Responsible Parenthood and Reproductive Health Act of 2012;

WHEREAS, in her stint in the Sixteenth Congress, Representative Abad held the distinction of being the only lady Deputy Speaker;

WHEREAS, as a Representative of the Lone District of Batanes, she ensured that her legislative district funds were allocated for scholarships, health services, construction of farm-to-market roads, water systems development, and programs related to the promotion of heritage of the Province of Batanes;

WHEREAS, she was the wife of former Secretary and Representative Florencio "Butch" Abad and mother of Julia Andrea, Pio Emmanuel, Luis Andres and Cecilia Paz;

WHEREAS, as a remarkable educator, seasoned public servant, wonderful colleague and friend, the passing of Representative Abad leaves a deep hollow space in the hearts of her family, friends and colleagues: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES To express the profound condolences of the House of Representatives to the family of Former Deputy Speaker Henedina R. Abad, Representative of the Lone District of Batanes during the Thirteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Seventeenth Congresses.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the bereaved family of the deceased.

Adopted,


PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ


DANILO E. SUAREZ


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