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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 802

Introduced by Representative MICAELA S. VIOLAGO

RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND HONORING THE COURAGE, COMPASSION,
AND HEROISM OF DOCTORS, NURSES, AND OTHER ALLIED MEDICAL
PERSONNEL, FOR THEIR SUPREME SACRIFICE AND DEVOTION TO THEIR
PROFESSION SO THAT THOSE AFFLICTED WITH THE CORONAVIRUS
DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) MAY LIVE

WHEREAS, foremost in fighting against the coronavirus disease 2019
(COVID-19) are the country’s frontline health workers such as doctors, nurses,
medical technologists, and health officers who primarily put their lives on the line due
to the nature of their job which entails them to cure the infected;

WHEREAS, despite the dangers and the health sector suffering from
depleting funds and running low on medical supplies and protective gear, health
professionals continue to show up and take the challenge of curbing the virus head-
on;

WHEREAS, as the healthcare sector is working to “flatten the curve”, some of
them, unfortunately, have succumbed to the virus in the middle of the battle;

WHEREAS, among other frontliners, the ultimate sacrifice made by 22
doctors and 4 nurses who have died from coronavirus while caring for others:
1) Dr. Israel Bactol of the Philippine Heart Center,
2) Dr. Rose Pulido of San Juan de Dios Hospital,
3) Dr. Gregorio Macasaet III of the Manila Doctors Hospital,
4) Dr. Raul Diaz Jara of the Philippine Heart Center,
5) Dr. Henry Fernandez of Pangasinan Medical Society,
6) Dr. Marcelo Jaocito of Pampanga Provincial Health Office,
7) Dr. Ephraim Neal C. Ortega of Ospital ng Parañaque,
8) Dr. Hector Alvarez of Novaliches District Hospital,
9) Dr. Salvacion Rodriguez-Gatchalian, President of the Philippine Pediatric
Society;
10) Dr. Cenover Nicandro “Nicko” Bautista of Mandaluyong City Medical
Center;
11) Dr. Francisco Avelino Sy Lukban of Philippine General Hospital,
12) Dr. Joel Carpio Mendoza of The Medical City Clark Freeport Zone,
13) Dr. Dennis Ramon Tudtud of Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center
14) Dr. Helen Tudtud of Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center,
15) Dr. Mary Grace Lim from the Asian Hospital in Muntinlupa,
16) Dr Leandro Resurreccion III of Philippine Children's Medical Center and
   Philippine General Hospital,
17) Dr. Roberto V. Anastacio of Makati Medical Center,
18) Dr. Marcellano Cruz of East Avenue Medical Center,
19) Dr. Janette Dancel-Liban of FEU-NRMF Medical Center,
20) Dr. Gerard Fabian Goco of St. Luke's Medical Center,
21) Dr. Dino Ezra Hallil of West Metro Medical Center, Zamboanga,
22) Dr. Ronaldo Mateo of Pagamutan ng Dasmarinas, Cavite,
23) Mr. Manny Pacheco, Chief Nurse of the Mandaluyong Medical Center,
24) Ms. Faye Marie Luna Palafox, Head Nurse of the Philippine General
   Hospital,
25) Mr. Arvin Pascual, R.N. of Dr. Paulino J. Garcia Memorial Research and
   Medical Center, Cabanatuan City, Nueva Ecija, and
26) Mr. Raul Della Esiao, R.N. of Michigan, U.S.A.

are deserving of true national recognition and highest salutation as their will to help
in the crisis weighed more than their fears;

WHEREAS, the nation is grieving their loss and other frontliners who tread
and risk the danger of getting the disease just to offer the services their countrymen
need during this pandemic;

WHEREAS, thanking our frontliners may not be enough but honoring them
could somehow show them our heartfelt gratitude and admiration for their passion to
help so that others may live amidst this pandemic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES to commend and honor the courage, compassion, and
heroism of the above-named 22 doctors and 4 nurses and the other un-named allied
medical personnel for their supreme sacrifice and devotion to their profession in the
fight against COVID-19;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be furnished all
their deserving and praiseworthy families,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT, this resolution form part of the official
records of the House of Representatives.

Adopted,

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