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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 Jaochico of Pampanga Provincial Health Office,
- 7) Dr. Ephraim Neal C. Orteza 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 Siy 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 Hailil of West Metro Medical Center, Zamboanga,
- 22) Dr. Ronaldo Mateo of Pagamutan ng Dasmariñas, 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 Eslao, 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,


MICAELA S. VIOLAGO