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OPENING OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

At 10:00 a.m., pursuant to Section 18 (a), Rule VI of the Rules of the House of the Seventeenth Congress, the Presiding Officer, Acting Secretary General Dante Roberto P. Maling, called the session to order.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). Good morning, Ladies and Gentlemen—Your Honors—of the Eighteenth Congress. Today, July 22, 2019, the fourth Monday of July of the year, is the date mandated by the Constitution whereby Congress convenes for its First Regular Session.

Pursuant to established parliamentary rules and practice, I hereby call the First Regular Session of the Eighteenth Congress to order.

May I request everyone to please rise for the prayer to be led by the Hon. Eduardo “Bro. Eddie” C. Villanueva of Party-List CIBAC.

Everybody remained standing for the Invocation.

INVOCATION

REP. VILLANUEVA. Tayo pong lahat ay dumako sa diwa ng pananalangin.

Our Almighty God, the one and only God our beloved country worships, today we come to You in humility and gratitude.

We are humbled because we recognize our nothingness. We are just like any other Filipino seeking to make life better for our countrymen, and yet, by Your grand design, You willed for us to be here today, the first day of the Eighteenth Congress, to make a difference for the Philippines and for the Filipinos as lawmakers.

You have chosen each and every one of us here and we recognize that our wisdom is bound by human limitation, but we rely on Your infinite wisdom because You said, “Fear of God is the beginning of wisdom.”

We come to You, Almighty God, in humility. We shall be effective legislators only through Your help. We are grateful because this is a new day. We have a new

beginning for hope, we have a new beginning for unity, we have a new beginning for making right everything that was wrong because You said, “Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.”

We come to You in gratitude because You have chosen us to be part of this new season.

Help us, Lord, so that history would be kind to us as the future generation remembers this season in our country.

Bless all the Members of the Eighteenth Congress with divine help, divine strength, divine knowledge and wisdom in serving our country, including all their respective employees and staff.

All for Your glory, in Jesus’ name. Amen.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). Please remain standing for the singing of the Philippine National Anthem to be led by Mr. Arman Ferrer.

Everybody rose for the singing of the Philippine National Anthem.

ROLL CALL

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). Thank you, Arman.

The Deputy Secretary General for Operations will now call the Roll of Members of the House of Representatives elected from legislative districts apportioned among provinces, cities and municipalities and party-list organizations in alphabetical order.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), reading: Roll Call of Members.

Honorable Representatives:

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

CALOOCAN CITY

First District

Hon. Dale “Along” R. Malapitan

Second District

Hon. Edgar R. Erice

LAS PIÑAS CITY

Lone District
Hon. Camille A. Villar

MAKATI CITY

First District
Hon. Romulo “Kid” Peña Jr.
Second District
Hon. Luis N. Campos Jr.

MALABON CITY

Lone District
Hon. Josephine Veronique R. Lacson-Noel

MANDALUYONG CITY

Lone District
Hon. Neptali M. Gonzales II

CITY OF MANILA

First District
Hon. Manuel Luis T. Lopez
Second District
Hon. Rolando M. Valeriano
Third District
Hon. John Marvin “Yul Servo” C. Nieto
Fourth District
Hon. Edward Vera Perez Maceda
Fifth District
Hon. Cristal L. Bagatsing
Sixth District
Hon. Bienvenido M. Abante Jr.

MARIKINA CITY

First District
Hon. Bayani F. Fernando
Second District
Hon. Stella Luz A. Quimbo

MUNTINLUPA CITY

Lone District
Hon. Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon

NAVOTAS CITY

Lone District
Hon. John Reynald M. Tiangco

PARAÑAQUE CITY

First District
Hon. Eric L. Olivarez
Second District
Hon. Joy Myra S. Tambunting

PASAY CITY

Lone District
Hon. Antonino G. Calixto

PASIG CITY

Lone District
Hon. Roman T. Romulo

QUEZON CITY

First District
Hon. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo
Second District
Hon. Precious Hipolito Castelo
Third District
Hon. Allan Reyes
Fourth District
Hon. Jesus “Bong” C. Suntay
Fifth District
Hon. Alfred D. Vargas
Sixth District
Hon. Jose Christopher Y. Belmonte

SAN JUAN CITY

Lone District
Hon. Ronaldo B. Zamora

TAGUIG CITY/PATEROS

First District
Hon. Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano
Second District
Hon. Maria Laarni Cayetano

VALENZUELA CITY

First District
Hon. Wes Gatchalian
Second District
Hon. Eric M. Martinez

REGION I (Ilocos)

ILOCOS NORTE (with the city of Laoag)

First District
Hon. Ria Christina G. Fariñas
Second District
Hon. Angelo Marcos Barba

ILOCOS SUR (with the cities of Vigan and Candon)

First District
Hon. Deogracias Victor “DV” B. Savellano
Second District
Hon. Kristine Singson-Meehan

LA UNION

First District
Hon. Pablo C. Ortega
Second District
Hon. Sandra Y. Eriguel, M.D.

PANGASINAN

First District

Hon. Arnold “Noli” D. Celeste

Second District

Hon. Jumel Anthony I. Espino

Third District

Hon. Rose Marie “Baby” J. Arenas

Fourth District

Hon. Christopher V. P. De Venecia

Fifth District

Hon. Ramon V. Guico III

Sixth District

Hon. Tyrone D. Agabas

REGION II (Cagayan Valley)

BATANES

Lone District

Hon. Ciriaco B. Gato Jr.

CAGAYAN

First District

Hon. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.

Second District

Hon. Samantha Louise Vargas Alfonso

Third District

Hon. Joseph “Jojo” L. Lara

ISABELA

First District

Hon. Antonio “Tonypet” T. Albano

Second District

Hon. Ed Christopher S. Go

Third District

Hon. Ian Paul L. Dy

Fourth District

Hon. Alyssa Sheena P. Tan, CPA, Lawyer

Fifth District

Hon. Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy III

Sixth District

Hon. Faustino “Inno” A. Dy V

NUEVA VIZCAYA

Lone District

Hon. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma

QUIRINO

Lone District

Hon. Junie E. Cua

REGION III (Central Luzon)

AURORA

Lone District

Hon. Rommel Rico T. Angara

BATAAN

First District

Hon. Geraldine B. Roman

Second District

Hon. Jose Enrique “Joet” S. Garcia III

BULACAN

First District

Hon. “Kuya” Jose Antonio R. Sy-Alvarado

Second District

Hon. Gavini “Apol” C. Pancho

Third District

Hon. Lorna C. Silverio

Fourth District

Hon. Henry R. Villarica

SAN JOSE DEL MONTE CITY

Lone District

Hon. Florida “Rida” P. Robes

NUEVA ECIJA

First District

Hon. Estrellita B. Suansing

Second District

Hon. Micaela S. Violago

Third District

Hon. Rosanna “Ria” Vergara

Fourth District

Hon. Maricel G. Natividad-Nagaño

PAMPANGA

First District

Hon. Carmelo “Jon” B. Lazatin II

Second District

Hon. Juan Miguel Macapagal Arroyo

Third District

Hon. Aurelio “Dong” D. Gonzales Jr.

Fourth District

Hon. Juan Pablo “Rimpy” P. Bondoc

TARLAC

First District

Hon. Carlos O. Cojuangco

Second District

Hon. Victor A. Yap

Third District

Hon. Noel L. Villanueva

ZAMBALES

First District

Hon. Jeffrey D. Khonghun

Second District

Hon. Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla

REGION IV-A (CALABARZON)

BATANGAS (with the city of Tanauan)

First District

Hon. Elenita Milagros “Eileen” Ermita-Buhain

Second District

Hon. Raneo “Ranie” E. Abu

Third District

Hon. Ma. Theresa V. Collantes

Fourth District

Hon. Lianda B. Bolilia

Fifth District (Batangas City)

Hon. Mario Vittorio “Marvey” A. Mariño

Sixth District (Lipa City)

Hon. Vilma Santos-Recto

CAVITE (with the cities of Cavite, Trece Martires, and Tagaytay)

First District

Hon. Francis Gerald Aguinaldo Abaya

Second District (Bacoor City)

Hon. Strike B. Revilla

Third District (Imus City)

Hon. Alex “AA” L. Advincula

Fourth District (Dasmariñas City)

Hon. Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr.

Fifth District

Hon. Dahlia A. Loyola

Sixth District (General Trias City)

Hon. Luis “Jon-Jon” A. Ferrer IV

Seventh District

Hon. Jesus Crispin C. Remulla

Eighth District

Hon. Abraham “Bambol” N. Tolentino

LAGUNA (with the cities of Cabuyao, San Pedro, and Sta. Rosa)

First District

Hon. Dan S. Fernandez

Second District

Hon. Ruth Mariano-Hernandez

Third District

Hon. Sol Aragon

Fourth District

Hon. Benjamin C. Agarao Jr.

BIÑAN CITY

Lone District

Hon. Marlyn “Len” B. Alonte

CALAMBA CITY

Lone District

Hon. Joaquin M. Chipeco Jr.

QUEZON (with the city of Lucena)

First District

Hon. Wilfrido Mark M. Enverga

Second District

Hon. David C. Suarez

Third District

Hon. Aleta C. Suarez

Fourth District

Hon. Angelina “Helen” D.L. Tan, M.D.

RIZAL

First District

Hon. Michael John R. Duavit

Second District

Hon. Juan Fidel Felipe F. Nograles

ANTIPOLO CITY

First District

Hon. Roberto V. Puno

Second District

Hon. Resurreccion M. Acop

MIMAROPA REGION

MARINDUQUE

Lone District

Hon. Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco

OCCIDENTAL MINDORO

Lone District

Hon. Josephine Ramirez-Sato

ORIENTAL MINDORO (with the city of Calapan)

First District

Hon. Doy C. Leachon

Second District

Hon. Alfonso V. Umali Jr.

PALAWAN (with the city of Puerto Princesa)

First District

Hon. Franz “Chicoy” E. Alvarez

Second District

Hon. Cyrille “Beng” F. Abueg-Zaldivar

Third District

Hon. Gil “Kabarangay Jr.” A. Acosta

ROMBLON

Lone District

Hon. Eleandro Jesus F. Madrona

REGION V (Bicol)

ALBAY (with the cities of Legazpi, Ligao, and Tabaco)

First District

Hon. Edcel C. Lagman

Second District

Hon. Joey Sarte Salceda

Third District

Hon. Fernando T. Cabredo

CAMARINES NORTE

First District

Hon. Josefina B. Tallado

Second District

Hon. Marisol C. Panotes

CAMARINES SUR (with the cities of Naga and Iriga)

First District

Hon. Marissa Andaya

Second District

Hon. Luis Raymund "LRay" F. Villafuerte Jr.

Third District

Hon. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

Fourth District

Hon. Arnie B. Fuentebella

Fifth District

Hon. Jocelyn F. Fortunato

CATANDUANES

Lone District

Hon. Hector S. Sanchez

MASBATE (with the city of Masbate)

First District

Hon. Narciso R. Bravo Jr.

Second District

Hon. Elisa "Olga" T. Kho

Third District

Hon. Wilton Tan Kho

SORSOGON (with the city of Sorsogon)

First District

Hon. Evelina G. Escudero

Second District

Hon. Ditas B. Ramos

REGION VI (Western Visayas)

AKLAN

First District

Hon. Carlito S. Marquez

Second District

Hon. Teodorico T. Haresco Jr.

ANTIQUÉ

Lone District

Hon. Loren Legarda

CAPIZ (with the city of Roxas)

First District

Hon. Emmanuel "Tawi" Billones

Second District

Hon. Fredenil "Fred" H. Castro

GUIMARAS

Lone District

Hon. Ma. Lucille L. Nava, M.D.

ILOILO (with the city of Passi)

First District

Hon. Janette L. Garin

Second District

Hon. Michael B. Gorriceta

Third District

Hon. Lorenz R. Defensor

Fourth District

Hon. Braeden John Q. Biron

Fifth District

Hon. Raul "Boboy" C. Tupas

ILOILO CITY

Lone District

Hon. Julienne "Jam" Baronda

NEGROS OCCIDENTAL (with the cities of San Carlos, Cadiz, Bago, La Carlota, Silay, Kabankalan, Sagay, Victorias, Escalante, Sipalay, and Himamaylan)

First District

Hon. Gerardo P. Valmayor Jr.

Second District

Hon. Leo Rafael M. Cueva

Third District

Hon. Jose Francisco B. Benitez

Fourth District

Hon. Juliet Marie De Leon Ferrer

Fifth District

Hon. Ma. Lourdes T. Arroyo

Sixth District

Hon. Genaro M. Alvarez Jr.

BACOLOD CITY

Lone District

Hon. Greg G. Gasataya

REGION VII (Central Visayas)

BOHOL (with the city of Tagbilaran)

First District

Hon. Edgar M. Chatto

Second District

Hon. Erico Aristotle C. Aumentado

Third District

Hon. Kristine Alexie B. Tutor

CEBU

First District

Hon. Eduardo "Eddie" R. Gullas

Second District

Hon. Wilfredo "Willy" S. Caminero

Third District

Hon. Pablo John F. Garcia

Fourth District

Hon. Janice Z. Salimbangon

Fifth District

Hon. Vincent Franco D. Frasco

Sixth District

Hon. Emmarie “Lolypop” M. Ouano-Dizon

Seventh District

Hon. Peter John D. Calderon

CEBU CITY

First District

Hon. Raul V. Del Mar

Second District

Hon. Rodrigo A. Abellanosa

LAPU-LAPU CITY

Lone District

Hon. Paz C. Radaza

NEGROS ORIENTAL

First District

Hon. Jocelyn Sy Limkaichong

Second District

Hon. Manuel T. Sagarbarria

Third District

Hon. Arnolfo “Arnie” A. Teves Jr.

SIQUIJOR

Lone District

Hon. Jake Vincent Villa

REGION VIII (Eastern Visayas)

BILIRAN

Lone District

Hon. Gerryboy J. Espina Jr.

EASTERN SAMAR

Lone District

Hon. Maria Fe R. Abunda

LEYTE

First District

Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez

Second District

Hon. Lolita T. Javier

Third District

Hon. Vicente “Ching” S.E. Veloso

Fourth District

Hon. Lucy Torres-Gomez

Fifth District

Hon. Carl Nicolas C. Cari

NORTHERN SAMAR

First District

Hon. Paul Ruiz Daza

Second District

Hon. Jose “Jun” L. Ong Jr.

SAMAR

First District

Hon. Edgar Mary S. Sarmiento

Second District

Hon. Sharee Ann T. Tan

REGION IX (Zamboanga Peninsula)

ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE

First District

Hon. Romeo M. Jalosjos Jr.

Second District

Hon. Glona G. Labadlabad

Third District

Hon. Isagani S. Amatong

ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY

First District

Hon. Wilter “Sharky” Wee Palma II

Second District

Hon. Ann K. Hofer

ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR

First District

Hon. Divina Grace C. Yu

Second District

Hon. Leonardo L. Babasa Jr.

ZAMBOANGA CITY

First District

Hon. Cesar “Jawo” L. Jimenez Jr.

Second District

Hon. Manuel Jose “Mannix” M. Dalipe

REGION X (Northern Mindanao)

BUKIDNON (with the cities of Malaybalay and Valencia)

First District

Hon. Ma. Lourdes Acosta-Alba

Second District

Hon. Jonathan Keith T. Flores

Third District

Hon. Manuel F. Zubiri

Fourth District

Hon. Rogelio Neil P. Roque

CAMIGUIN

Lone District

Hon. Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo

LANAO DEL NORTE

First District
Hon. Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo
Second District
Hon. Abdullah D. Dimaporo

ILIGAN CITY

Lone District
Hon. Frederick W. Siao

MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL

First District
Hon. Diego C. Ty
Second District
Hon. Henry S. Oaminal

MISAMIS ORIENTAL

First District
Hon. Christian S. Unabia
Second District
Hon. Juliette T. Uy

CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY

First District
Hon. Rolando “Klarex” A. Uy
Second District
Hon. Rufus B. Rodriguez

REGION XI (Davao)

COMPOSTELA VALLEY

First District
Hon. Way Kurat Zamora
Second District
Hon. Ruwel Peter S. Gonzaga

DAVAO DEL NORTE

First District
Hon. Pantaleon D. Alvarez
Second District
Hon. Alan “Aldu” R. Dujali

DAVAO OCCIDENTAL

Lone District
Hon. Lorna P. Bautista-Bandigan

DAVAO ORIENTAL

First District
Hon. Corazon T. Nuñez-Malanyaon
Second District
Hon. Joel Mayo Z. Almario

DAVAO DEL SUR

Lone District
Hon. Mercedes “Didi” C. Cagas

DAVAO CITY

First District
Hon. Paolo Z. Duterte
Second District
Hon. Vincent J. Garcia
Third District
Hon. Isidro T. Ungab

REGION XII (SOCCSKSARGEN)

NORTH COTABATO (with the city of Kidapawan)

First District
Hon. Joselito “Joel” S. Sacdalan
Second District
Hon. Rudy S. Caoagdan, DPA
Third District
Hon. Jose “Pingping” I. Tejada

SARANGANI

Lone District
Hon. Rogelio “Ruel” D. Pacquiao

SOUTH COTABATO (with Koronadal City)

Second District
Hon. Ferdinand L. Hernandez

SULTAN KUDARAT

First District
Hon. Bai Rihan M. Sakaluran
Second District
Hon. Horacio P. Suansing Jr.

BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION
IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM)

BASILAN

Lone District
Hon. Mujiv S. Hataman

LANAO DEL SUR

First District
Hon. Ansaruddin Abdul Malik A. Adiong
Second District
Hon. Yasser Alonto Balindong

MAGUINDANAO (with Cotabato City)

First District
Hon. Datu Roonie Q. Sinsuat Sr.
Second District
Hon. Esmael G. Mangudadatu

SULU

First District

Hon. Samier A. Tan

Second District

Hon. Munir M. Arbison

TAWI-TAWI

Lone District

Hon. Rashidin H. Matba

CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION

ABRA

Lone District

Hon. Joseph Sto. Niño B. Bernos

APAYAO

Lone District

Hon. Elias C. Bulut Jr.

BENGUET

Lone District

Hon. Nestor B. Fongwan

BAGUIO CITY

Lone District

Hon. Mark O. Go

IFUGAO

Lone District

Hon. Solomon R. Chungalao

KALINGA

Lone District

Hon. Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang

MOUNTAIN PROVINCE

Lone District

Hon. Maximo Y. Dalog Jr.

CARAGA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION

AGUSAN DEL NORTE

First District

Hon. Lawrence "Law" H. Fortun

Second District

Hon. Ma. Angelica M. Amante-Matba

AGUSAN DEL SUR (with the city of Bayugan)

First District

Hon. Alfelito "Alfel" M. Bascug

Second District

Hon. Adolph Edward G. Plaza

DINAGAT ISLANDS

Lone District

Hon. Alan I B. Ecleo

SURIGAO DEL NORTE

First District

Hon. Francisco Jose "Bingo" F. Matugas II,
CPA, CESO, LLB

Second District

Hon. Robert Ace S. Barbers

SURIGAO DEL SUR

First District

Hon. Prospero A. Pichay Jr.

Second District

Hon. Johnny Ty Pimentel

PARTY-LIST REPRESENTATIVES

1PACMAN (One Patriotic Coalition of Marginalized
Nationals)

Hon. Michael L. Romero, PhD.

Hon. Enrico A. Pineda

A TEACHER (Advocacy for Teacher Empowerment
through Action, Cooperation and Harmony Towards
Educational Reform)

Hon. Ma. Victoria V. Umali

AAMBIS-OWA (Ang Asosasyon Sang Mangunguma
Nga Bisaya-OWA, Mangunguma, Inc.)

Hon. Sharon S. Garin

ABANG LINGKOD (Abang Lingkod, Inc.)

Hon. Joseph Stephen "Caraps" S. Paduano

ABONO

Hon. Conrado M. Estrella III

ACT-CIS (Anti-Crime and Terrorism Community
Involvement and Support Inc.)

Hon. Eric Go Yap

Hon. Jocelyn P. Tulfo

Hon. Niña Taturan

ACT TEACHERS

Hon. France L. Castro

AGAP (Agricultural Sector Alliance of the
Philippines)

Hon. Rico B. Geron

AKO BICOL (Ako Bicol Political Party)

Hon. Elizaldy S. Co

Hon. Alfredo A. Garbin Jr.

AKO BISAYA (Ako Bisaya, Inc.) Hon. Sonny "SL" L. Lagon	DIWA (Democratic Independent Workers' Association) Hon. Michael Edgar Y. Aglipay
AKO PADAYON (Ako Padayon Pilipino) Hon. Adriano A. Ebcas	DUMPER PTDA (Dumper Philippines Taxi Drivers Association, Inc.) Hon. Claudine Diana D. Bautista
ALONA (Alliance of Organizations, Networks and Associations of the Philippines, Inc.) Hon. Anna Marie Villaraza-Suarez	GABRIELA (Gabriela Women's Party) Hon. Arlene D. Brosas
AMIN (Anak Mindanao) Hon. Amihilda J. Sangcopan	GP (Galing sa Puso Party) Hon. Jose Gay G. Padiernos
AN WARAY Hon. Florencio G. Noel	KABATAAN (Kabataan Party-List) Hon. Sarah Jane I. Elago
ANAKALUSUGAN (Alagaan natin ating Kalusugan) Hon. Michael T. Defensor	KABAYAN (Kabalikat ng Mamamayan) Hon. Ron P. Salo
ANG PROBINSYANO (Alyansa ng mga Mamamayang Probinsyano) Hon. Alfred C. Delos Santos Hon. Ronnie L. Ong	KALINGA (Kalinga-Advocacy for Social Empowerment and Nation-Building through Easing Poverty, Inc.) Hon. Irene Gay F. Saulog
APEC (Association of Philippines Electric Cooperatives) Hon. Sergio C. Dagooc	KUSUG TAUSUG Hon. Shernee A. Tan-Tambut
BAHAY (Bahay para sa Pamilyang Pilipino, Inc.) Hon. Naealla Rose Bainto-Aguinaldo	LPGMA (LPG Marketers Association, Inc.) Hon. Rodolfo B. Albano
BAYAN MUNA Hon. Carlos Isagani T. Zarate Hon. Ferdinand R. Gaité Hon. Eufemia "Ka Femia" C. Cullamat	MAGDALO (Magdalo Para sa Pilipino) Hon. Manuel DG. Cabochan III
BH (Bagong Henerasyon) Hon. Bernadette "BH" Herrera-Dy	MAGSASAKA (Magkakasama Sa Sakahan, Kaunlaran) Hon. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat
BHW (Barangay Health Wellness) Hon. Angelica Natasha Co	MANILA TEACHERS' (Manila Teachers' Savings and Loan Association, Inc.) Hon. Virgilio S. Lacson
BUHAY (Buhay Hayaan Yumabong) Hon. Jose L. Atienza Jr.	MARINO (Marino Samahan ng mga Seaman, Inc.) Hon. Carlo Lisandro L. Gonzalez Hon. Jose Antonio G. Lopez
CIBAC (Citizens' Battle Against Corruption) Hon. Eduardo "Bro. Eddie" C. Villanueva Hon. Domingo C. Rivera	OFW FAMILY (OFW Family Club, Inc.) Hon. Alberto "Bobby" D. Pacquiao
COOP-NATCCO (Cooperative NATCCO Network Party) Hon. Sabiniano S. Canama	PATROL (Public Safety Alliance for Transformation and Rule of Law, Inc.) Hon. Jorge Antonio P. Bustos
CWS (Construction Workers' Solidarity) Hon. Romeo S. Momo Sr.	PBA (Pwersa ng Bayaning Atleta) Hon. Jericho Jonas B. Nograles

PHILRECA (Philippine Rural Electric Cooperatives Association, Inc.)

Hon. Presley C. De Jesus

PROBINSYANO AKO

Hon. Rudys Caesar G. Fariñas I

Hon. Jose “Bonito” C. Singson Jr.

RAM (Rebolusyonaryong Alyansang Makabansa)

Hon. Aloy Lim

RECOBODA (Rural Electric Consumers and Beneficiaries of Development and Advancement, Inc.)

Hon. Godofredo N. Guya

SAGIP (Social Amelioration and Genuine Intervention on Poverty)

Hon. Rodante D. Marcoleta

TGP (Talino at Galing ng Pinoy)

Hon. Jose “Bong” J. Teves Jr.

TINGOG SINIRANGAN

Hon. Yedda Marie K. Romualdez

TUCP (Trade Union Congress Party)

Hon. Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin). Mr. Presiding Officer, the Roll Call shows that 297 Members responded to the call.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). There being 297 Members who responded to the call, the Chair declares the presence of a quorum.

To ensure orderly proceedings, the Chair designates the Hon. Raneo “Ranie” E. Abu of the Second District of Batangas as the Acting Floor Leader.

The Honorable Abu is recognized.

ELECTION OF SPEAKER

REP. ABU. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that we now open the table for nomination for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). There is a motion to open the table for nomination for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the nomination for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives is now in order.

REP. ABU. I move that the distinguished Gentleman from the First District of Davao City, the Hon. Paolo

Z. Duterte, be recognized to make his nomination. (*Applause*)

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). The distinguished Gentleman from the First District of Davao City, the Hon. Paolo Z. Duterte, is recognized.

NOMINATION SPEECH OF REP. DUTERTE

REP. DUTERTE. Maayong buntag sa tanan.

Mr. Presiding Officer, before I make a nomination, I would like to manifest the following: that the term-sharing agreement is one between Congressmen Cayetano, Romualdez and Velasco, and the President.

I am against any term-sharing agreement. However, if the Speaker resigns after 15 months then we will have to elect a new Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I nominate a leader who understands local and national governance—one who can bridge the different branches of government, one who can ably and fearlessly represent the House of Representatives and the Philippines in the national arena, in the international arena, I am sorry.

Mr. Speaker, I nominate the distinguished Gentleman from the District of Taguig-Pateros, Rep. Alan Peter S. Cayetano. (*Applause*) Na atong masaligan na magpadayon sa programa na kinahanglanon ni Presidente Rody Duterte.

Daghang salamat. (*Applause*)

REP. ABU. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Gentleman from the Lone District of Marinduque, the Hon. Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco, be recognized to make his nomination.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). The distinguished Gentleman from the Lone District of Marinduque, the Hon. Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco, is recognized. (*Applause*)

NOMINATION SPEECH OF REP. VELASCO

REP. VELASCO. Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. Magandang umaga sa ating mga minamahal na mga kapwa Mambabatas, sa aking mga kasamahan sa Kongreso at sa sambayanang Pilipino. Naniniwala po ako na sa pagkakaisa ay makakamtan po natin ang progreso para sa bayan, kaya karangalan ko po na inomina ang isang Mambabatas na kilala po nating may integridad, isang Mambabatas na kilala po natin may isang salita, isang Mambabatas na alam po natin na magsusulong ng tunay na pagbabago. Kaya mga kasamahan, para po sa Speaker ng Ikalabingwalong Kongreso ng Pilipinas, ang Kagalang-galang Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

Maraming salamat po.

REP. ABU. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Gentleman from the First District of Leyte, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, be recognized to make his nomination. *(Applause)*

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). The distinguished Gentleman from the First District of Leyte, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, is recognized.

NOMINATION SPEECH OF REP. ROMUALDEZ

REP. ROMUALDEZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, I hereby nominate the Gentleman from Taguig-Pateros, the Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano, for Speaker of the Eighteenth Congress of the Philippines. *(Applause)*

REP. ABU. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Lady from the First District of Iloilo province, the Hon. Janette L. Garin, be recognized to make her nomination.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). The Lady from Iloilo is recognized.

NOMINATION SPEECH OF REP. GARIN (J.)

REP. GARIN. Mr. Speaker, I was privileged enough to be a colleague of a come-backing Congressman who represents Manila. He can represent the Eighteenth Congress. I respectfully nominate Cong. Benny Abante. *(Applause)*

REP. ABU. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Gentleman from the AKO BICOL Party-List, the Hon. Alfredo “Pido” Garbin, be recognized to make his nomination.

REP. GARBIN. Thank you.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). The Honorable Garbin is recognized.

NOMINATION SPEECH OF REP. GARBIN

REP. GARBIN. Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. I move to nominate Cong. Bienvenido “Benny” Miranda Abante Jr. from the Sixth District of Manila—a veteran legislator, a principled advocate, a fiscalizer, a bishop and a pastor. He could not only or he would not only be a voice of an independent House of Representatives, but also a voice of conscience and of moral integrity.

Salamat po. *(Applause)*

REP. ABU. Mr. Presiding Officer, there being no other nominations for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives, I move that the table for nomination be closed.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). There is a motion to close the table for nomination for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

REP. ABU. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that we now proceed with the election of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). There is a motion to proceed to the election of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the election of Speaker is now in order.

The Deputy Secretary General for Operations will now call the roll of Members. May we request every Member to state the name of the candidate he or she is voting for as Speaker of the House of Representatives upon being called.

NOMINAL VOTING

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*: Roll call of Members voting for the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Honorable Representatives:

Abante

REP. ABANTE. Mr. Speaker, first of all, I would like to thank Congresswoman Garin (J.) and Congressman Garbin for nominating me, but if there is a better man to be the Speaker of the House, it is no other than my good friend, my brother in Christ, Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano. *(Applause)*

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:

Abaya

REP. ABAYA. Mr. Speaker, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:

Abellanosa

REP. ABELLANOSA. Mr. Presiding Officer, some would want to vote for Cong. Lord because he is “lord” *(Laughter)*, some would want to vote for Cong. Martin because he is smart, pero alang-alang sa pagkakaisa, this Representation from the Second District of Cebu City says “Yes” to Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano as Speaker of the House of Representatives. *(Applause)*

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Abu

REP. ABU. Honorable Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Abueg-Zaldivar

REP. ABUEG-ZALDIVAR. Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Abunda

REP. ABUNDA. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Acop

REP. ACOP. The Second District of Antipolo will vote for Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Acosta

REP. ACOSTA-ALBA. Mr. Speaker, I vote for Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Acosta-Alba

REP. ACOSTA. Nauna na po. (*Laughter*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Acosta

REP. ACOSTA. Mr. Presiding Officer, for the Third District of Palawan, we vote for Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Adiong

REP. ADIONG. Representative Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Advincula

REP. ADVINCULA. Mr. Speaker, my vote is Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Agabas

REP. AGABAS. The Sixth District of Pangasinan votes for the honorable Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Agarao

REP. AGARAO. Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Aglipay
Albano, Antonio

REP. ALBANO (A.). Test mic, just in case. Mr. Presiding Officer, the First District of Isabela is honored to, of course, vote. So, including my father who is from the LPGMA Party-List, because he is in a wheelchair and he has no voice, so two votes for Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Albano, Rodolfo
Almario

REP. ALMARIO. Mr. Speaker, as the Representative of the Second District of Davao Oriental, I vote for Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Alonte

REP. ALONTE. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Representative of the Lone District of Biñan votes for Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Alvarez, Franz

REP. ALVAREZ (F.). Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Alvarez, Genaro

REP. ALVAREZ (G.). Mr. Speaker, I am voting for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Alvarez, Pantaleon

REP. ALVAREZ (P.). Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for my colleague in the Eleventh Congress, Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Amante-Matba

REP. AMANTE-MATBA. Mr. Presiding Officer, my vote goes to Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Amatong

REP. AMATONG. Mr. Speaker, I vote for Congressman Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Andaya

REP. ANDAYA. Mr. Speaker, I vote for the Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Angara

REP. ANGARA. Mr. Presiding Officer, my vote is for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Aragones

REP. ARAGONES. Mr. Presiding Officer, ang boto po ng Ikatlong Distrito ng Laguna ay para kay Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Arbison

REP. ARBISON. Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Alan Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Arenas

REP. ARENAS. Representing the Third District of Pangasinan, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Arroyo, Juan Miguel

REP. ARROYO. In heeding the wisdom of the President, this Representation votes for Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Arroyo, Ma. Lourdes
Atienza

REP. ATIENZA. Mr. Speaker, I would have voted for my Congressman from Manila, Congressman Abante, because he is most qualified, but he voted for Cayetano. (*Laughter*)

I am constrained by my desire for a healthy democracy. Kailangan pong magkaroon tayo ng balanse sa loob at labas ng ating Kongreso kaya hindi na muna po ako boboto sapagkat gusto kong manatiling malinaw po ang landas ng ating demokrasya. I abstain. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Aumentado

REP. AUMENTADO. Mr. Speaker, I vote for Peter Alan Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Babasa

REP. BABASA. Mr. Speaker, as a Representative of the Second District of Zamboanga del Sur, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bagatsing

REP. BAGATSING. Mr. Speaker, malugod po naming ibinoboto mula sa Singko Distrito ng Maynila, Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bainto-Aguinaldo

REP. BAINTO-AGUINALDO. Mr. Presiding Officer, ang amin pong boto ay para kay Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Balindong

REP. BALINDONG. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Barba

REP. BARBA. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Barbers

REP. BARBERS. Mr. Presiding Officer, my vote is for a colleague in the Eleventh Congress, a good friend, a believer, and a loyal follower of our President. My vote is for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Baronda

REP. BARONDA. My vote is for Speaker Alan Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Barzaga

REP. BARZAGA. Mr. Presiding Officer, the voice of the city of Dasmariñas votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bascug

REP. BASCUG. Mr. Speaker, representing the First District of Agusan del Sur, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bautista

REP. BAUTISTA. Mr. Speaker, as the Representative of DUMPER Party-List, my vote is for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bautista-Bandigan

REP. BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN. From the Lone District of Davao Occidental, Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Belmonte

REP. BELMONTE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Benitez

REP. BENITEZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Third District of Negros Occidental votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bernos

REP. BERNOS. Mr. Presiding Officer, the vote from the Lone Legislative District of Abra is for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Biazon

REP. BIAZON. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of Muntinlupa City, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Billones

REP. BILLONES. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the First District of Capiz votes for Speaker Peter Alan Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Biron

REP. BIRON. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Fourth District of Iloilo votes for Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bolilia

REP. BOLILIA. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the Fourth District of Batangas votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bondoc

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, when we entered in the Eleventh Congress, he was the Benjamin of the House, the youngest, the best, the brightest: I am proud to vote for Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bordado

REP. BORDADO. Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Representative of the Third District of Camarines Sur, I am voting for Congressman Abante as Speaker of the House of Representatives' Eighteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bravo

REP. BRAVO. The First District of Masbate votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Brosas

REP. BROSAS. Mr. Presiding Officer, ang Kinatawan pong ito ay bumuboto para kay Rep. Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bulut

REP. BULUT. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Lone District of Apayao votes for my former colleague in the Eleventh Congress, Cong. Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bustos

REP. BUSTOS. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cabatbat

REP. CABATBAT. Mr. Presiding Officer, MAGSASAKA Party-List votes for Cong. Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cabochan

REP. CABOCHAN. MAGDALO abstains.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cabredo

REP. CABREDO. From the Third District of Albay, I vote for Speaker Alan Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cagas

REP. CAGAS. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representative of the Lone District of Davao del Sur, votes for my party-mate, Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Calderon

REP. CALDERON. Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Calixto

REP. CALIXTO. Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Representative of the Lone District of Pasay, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Caminero

REP. CAMINERO. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Second District of the province of Cebu is supporting me in backing Speaker Alan Cayetano as our Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Campos

REP. CAMPOS. Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Alan Peter S. Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Canama

REP. CANAMA. Mr. Presiding Officer, from COOP-NATCCOParty-List, I vote for Rep. Alan Peter S. Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Caoagdan

REP. CAOAGDAN. Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cari

REP. CARI. Maayong buntag, Mr. Presiding Officer. As the Representative of the Fifth District of Leyte, I vote for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Castelo

REP. CASTELO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Quezon City, I vote for Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Castro, France

REP. CASTRO (F.L.). Mr. Presiding Officer, ang Kinatawan pong ito mula sa ACT TEACHERS Party-List ay bumoboto kay Cong. Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Castro, Fredenil

REP. CASTRO (F.H.). Rep. Alan Peter S. Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cayetano, Alan Peter

REP. CAYETANO (A.). Mr. Presiding Officer, I would have voted for Rep. Paolo Duterte but he is not a candidate. So, I will vote for Bishop Brother Benny Abante. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cayetano, Maria Laarni

REP. CAYETANO (M.). Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Representative of the Second District of Taguig, I respectfully nominate the Congressman of the First District of Taguig/Pateros, Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Celeste

REP. CELESTE. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Pangasinan, I vote for my party-mate, Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Chatto

REP. CHATTO. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the First Congressional District of the province of Bohol, and as a fellow worker in the past Congresses of the distinguished Gentleman from Taguig, I am fully convinced that he will be heading the Eighteenth Congress as well. I vote for Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Chipeco

REP. CHIPECO. Mr. Presiding Officer, from the Lone District of the city of Calamba where the national hero Gat Jose Rizal was born, ang bilin po sa akin ni Gat Jose Rizal ay bumoto kay Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Laughter*) So, Mr. Speaker, I vote for the distinguished Gentleman from the city of Taguig, Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Chungalao

REP. CHUNGALAO. Mr. Speaker, the Lone District of the province of Ifugao, home of the famous rice terraces, from where this Representation comes to Congress with an entirely different tone and tune, and therefore, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Co, Angelica Natasha

REP. CO (A.). Mr. Presiding Officer, I respectfully vote for Cong. Bienvenido “Benny” M. Abante VI.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Co, Elizaldy S.

REP. CO (E.). Rep. Bienvenido “Benny” Abante VI.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cojuangco

REP. COJUANGCO. My vote is for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Collantes

REP. COLLANTES. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Third District of Batangas, which includes the cities of Tanauan and Sto. Tomas, I cast my vote for Cong. Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Crisologo

REP. CRISOLOGO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Quezon City, we vote for the Representative who has the same initials as this Representative, APC—Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cua

REP. CUA. Mr. Presiding Officer, in representation of the people of the Lone District of Quirino, I vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano as Speaker of the House of the Eighteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cuaresma

REP. CUARESMA. Good morning, this Representation coming from the Lone District of Nueva Vizcaya votes for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cueva

REP. CUEVA. Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cullamat

REP. CULLAMAT. Mr. Presiding Officer, my vote is for Rep. Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dagooc

REP. DAGOOC. Mr. Presiding Officer, originally, I am intending to support Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano, but the Lady from Iloilo nominated Rep. Benny Abante. Our party-list is always endeavoring for advancement. We always wanted to go forward, I vote for Rep. Benny Abante. I want to go forward.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dalipe

REP. DALIPE. Zamboanga City, Second District votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dalog

REP. DALOG. On behalf of the people of the Lone District of Mt. Province, we vote for Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Daza

REP. DAZA. Maupay nga aga, Mr. Presiding Officer, First District of Northern Samar is for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
De Jesus

REP. DE JESUS. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of PHILRECA or the Philippine Rural Electric Cooperatives Association Inc., we are voting for—I cast my vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano because we believe he will deliver us to the Promised Land. Thank you. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
De Venecia

REP. DE VENECIA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the proud people of the Fourth District of Pangasinan, we vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Defensor, Lorenz

REP. DEFENSOR (L.). Mr. Speaker, from the Third District of Iloilo, I vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Defensor, Michael

REP. DEFENSOR (M.). Mr. Speaker, since college, we have been in opposing parties. He was with the Nagkaisang Tugon and I was with SAMASA. In the Eleventh Congress, he was in the Majority and I was in the Minority. We have never been together in the political arena, but today, I have the opportunity to vote for a friend of many years, I vote to side with Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Del Mar

REP. DEL MAR. Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the First District of the city of Cebu, I vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Delos Santos

REP. DELOS SANTOS. Mr. Speaker, my vote is for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Deloso-Montalla

REP. DELOSO-MONTALLA. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the Second District of Zambales votes for Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dimaporo, Abdullah D.

REP. DIMAPORO (A.). Mr. Presiding Officer, we vote for Honorable Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dimaporo, Mohamad Kahlid Q.

REP. DIMAPORO (K.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Lanao del Norte, I vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Duavit

REP. DUAVIT. Mr. Presiding Officer, the First District of Rizal votes for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dujali

REP. DUJALI. Mr. Speaker, representing the Second District of Davao del Norte, I will vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Duterte

REP. DUTERTE. Mr. Speaker, isip Representante sa Unang Distrito sa siyudad sa Davao kung asa gapuyo ang atong halangdong Presidente, ako ga—moboto kang Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dy, Faustino “Inno”

REP. DY-FAUSTINO (I.). Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Representative of the Sixth District of Isabela, my vote is for Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dy, Faustino Michael

REP. DY-FAUSTINO (M.). Good morning, I am representing the Fifth District of the province of Isabela, and I vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dy, Ian

REP. DY. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Third District of Isabela votes for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ebcas

REP. EBCAS. Maayong buntag, Mr. Speaker, isip Party-List Representante sa AKO PADAYON Pilipino, ang akong boto ihatag ko kang Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano. Salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ecleo

REP. ECLEO. Mr. Presiding Officer, Lone District of Dinagat Islands votes for Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL, (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Elago

REP. ELAGO. Mr. Presiding Officer, we aspire and struggle for a House of Representatives that truly stands by its mandate as the House of the People. Ngayon, higit kailanman, kailangan natin at ng Kongreso ng titindig para sa interes ng mamamayan at ng ating buong bansa.

Para sa pinakamalawak na pagkakaisa sa pagsusulong ng karapatan, ng kabuhayan, ng soberanya at ng demokrasya, ang boto ng tunay na representasyon ng KABATAAN ay para kay Rep. Bienvenido Abante. Maraming salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Enverga

REP. ENVERGA. Mr. Speaker, the First District of Quezon votes for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Erice

REP. ERICE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I am truly grateful to the Liberal Party for being liberal enough to allow me to vote for my conscience and I think, a smart and an intelligent choice, Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Eriguel

REP. ERIGUEL. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the Second District of La Union, I vote for Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ermita-Buhain

REP. ERMITA-BUHAIN. Sa ngalan po ng Representante po ng Unang Distrito, ang aking boto po ay para po sa atin pong Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Escudero

REP. ESCUDERO. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation votes for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Espina

REP. ESPINA. Mr. Presiding Officer, from the Lone District of Biliran, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Espino

REP. ESPINO. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Second District of Pangasinan votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Estrella

REP. ESTRELLA. Mr. Presiding Officer, APC, ABONO Party-List, Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fariñas, Ria

REP. FARIÑAS, RIA. Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the First District of Ilocos Norte, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fariñas, Rudys Caesar

REP. FARIÑAS, RUDYS. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fernandez

REP. FERNANDEZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, do we have other choice? If none, between Reps. Alan Peter Cayetano and Benny Abante, si Benny Abante po ay Bishop iyan and I really respect the guy, and I respect your father as well, pero mukhang mas mabait ho si Alan Peter Cayetano, kaya I vote for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause and laughter*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fernando

REP. FERNANDO. Mr. Presiding Officer, I go with Peter in voting for the Lord's Bishop Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ferrer, Juliet

REP. FERRER (J.). Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ferrer, Luis

REP. FERRER (L.). Mula po sa Ikaanim na Distrito ng lalawigan ng Cavite, ang boto ko po ay para kay Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Flores

REP. FLORES. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Second District of Bukidnon votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fongwan

REP. FONGWAN. From the Lone District of Benguet, we vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fortun

REP. FORTUN. Mr. Presiding Officer, I join Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano in his vote for Cong. Bienvenido “Benny” M. Abante Jr.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fortuno

REP. FORTUNO. From the Fifth District of Camarines Sur, my choice for Speaker, Mr. Presiding Officer, is Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Frasco

REP. FRASCO. Maayong buntag, Mr. Speaker, as Representative of the Fifth District of Cebu, home of the world’s famous Titay’s Liloan Rosquillos, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fuentebella

REP. FUENTEBELLA. Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the Fourth District of Camarines Sur, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gaité

REP. GAITE. Ginoong Tagapangulo, bilang Kinatawan ng BAYAN MUNA na nangakong hindi aatras, ang aking iboboto ay si Abante, Cong. Bienvenido Abante. Maraming salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garbin

REP. GARBIN. Mr. Presiding Officer, the AKO BICOL votes for Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garcia, Jose Enrique

REP. GARCIA (J.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Bataan, I vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garcia, Pablo John

REP. GARCIA (P.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Third District of the province of Cebu, I am honored and I am proud to vote for an old friend and a new kind of leader that this House needs, Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garcia, Vincent

REP. GARCIA (V.). I vote for Alan Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garin, Janette

REP. GARIN (J.). Mr. Presiding Officer, the Speaker-in-waiting, Cong. Alan Cayetano, is a very good friend of mine. Mayroon po akong isang kaibigan na nakasama ko noong nakaraang Kongreso, but we were never one in our advocacy for reproductive health. Umatras siya noon, nanalo kami, kaya patuloy ko pong isinusulong. Umatras man siya, isinusulong pa rin po namin— Abante Pilipinas! Benny Abante for Speaker of the Eighteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garin, Sharon

REP. GARIN (S.). Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of AAMBIS-OWA Party-List, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gasataya

REP. GASATAYA. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the Lone District of Bacolod City, ang boto ko po ay hindi dahil sa kklase ko siya noong college kundi dahil naniniwala po ako sa kaniyang kakayahan na maging Speaker. My vote is for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gatchalian

REP. GATCHALIAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Valenzuela City, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gato

REP. GATO. Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the Lone District of Batanes, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Geron

REP. GERON. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from AGAP Party-List, Agricultural Sector Alliance of the Philippines, votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Go, Ed

REP. GO (E.). Bilang Kinatawan pong Ikalawang Distrito ng Isabela, masayapo akong iboto, Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Go, Mark

REP. GO (M.). Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the Lone District of Baguio City votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gonzaga

REP. GONZAGA. On behalf of the Second District of Compostela Valley, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gonzales, Aurelio

REP. GONZALES (A.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Third District of Pampanga, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano for Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gonzales, Neptali
Gonzalez, Carlo

REP. GONZALEZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of MARINO Party-List, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gorriceta

REP. GORRICETA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District, Iloilo province, I vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Guico

REP. GUICO. Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the Fifth District of Pangasinan, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gullas

REP. GULLAS. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the First District of Cebu, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Guya

REP. GUYA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the RECOBODA Party-List, Rural Electric Consumers and Beneficiaries of Development and Advancement, our vote is for Ben Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Haresco

REP. HARESCO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Aklan including Boracay, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Hataman

REP. HATAMAN. I vote for Congressman Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Hernandez

REP. HERNANDEZ. As a Representative of the Second District of South Cotabato, I vote for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Herrera-Dy

REP. HERRERA-DY. Mr. Presiding Officer, we need leadership, progress and positive change, we need a Speaker who can initiate innovations and reforms, thus, the Bagong Henerasyon Party-List votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Hofer

REP. HOFER. Maayong buntag. Representing the Second District of Zamboanga Sibugay, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Jalosjos

REP. JALOSJOS. From the First District of Zamboanga del Norte, I vote for Cong. Peter Alan Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Javier

REP. JAVIER. I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Jimenez

REP. JIMENEZ. Buenas dias a todos. Magandang umaga po.

Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the First District of Zamboanga City, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Kho, Elisa

REP. KHO (E.). From the Second District of Masbate, including Masbate City, this Representation votes for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Kho, Wilton

REP. KHO (W.). Mr. Presiding Officer, the Third District of Masbate votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Khonghun

REP. KHONGHUN. Mr. Presiding Officer, sa Unang Distrito ng Zambales, kasama ang Olongapo, Subic, Castillejos, at San Marcelino, ang boto ko po ay kay Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Labadlabad

REP. LABADLABAD. This Representation from the Second District of Zamboanga del Norte votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano, Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lacson

REP. LACSON. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from MANILA TEACHERS Party-List votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lacson-Noel

REP. LACSON-NOEL. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Lone District of Malabon votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lagman

REP. LAGMAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation casts a “No” vote.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lagon

REP. LAGON. Maayong buntag, Mr. Presiding Officer. As a Representative of AKO BISAYA Party-List, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano because we believe in his leadership.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lara

REP. LARA. Mr. Presiding Officer, makasta nga umaten kami amin, iboto na Tersera Distrito ko na Cagayan para kay Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lazatin

REP. LAZATIN. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Pampanga, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Leachon

REP. LEACHON. Good morning, Mr. Presiding Officer.

This Representation from the First District of Oriental Mindoro is voting for Alan Peter Cayetano for Speaker. Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Legarda

REP. LEGARDA. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the Lone District of Antique, I respectfully cast my vote for a former colleague in the Senate, Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lim

REP. LIM. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of RAM Party-List, Rebolusyonaryong Alyansang Makabansa, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Limkaichong

REP. LIMKAICHONG. This Representative from Negros Oriental, First District, casts her vote for Hon. Bienvenido Abante Jr.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lopez, Jose

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lopez, Manuel

REP. LOPEZ (M.). Mr. Presiding Officer, magmula po sa magiting na bayan ng Tondo ay iginagawad namin ang aming boto sa kagalang-galang na si Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Loyola

REP. LOYOLA. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representative from the Fifth District of Cavite votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Maceda

REP. MACEDA. Mula po sa Ikaapat na Distrito ng Maynila, ang Representasyong ito ay bumoboto sa isang tao na matagal ko nang kakilala, hindi lang kaklase, katabi pa, pero ang higit sa lahat ay may angking galing, talino at kakayahan para mamuno bilang Speaker ng Eighteenth Congress. Ang boto ko po ay para kay Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Madrona

REP. MADRONA. Mr. Presiding Officer, allow me first to acknowledge my provincial and municipal officials there who would want to witness my vote today. Romblon votes for Alan Peter Cayetano as Speaker. *(Applause)*

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Malapitan

REP. MALAPITAN. The First District of Caloocan votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mangoang

REP. MANGAOANG. Mr. Presiding Officer, from the province of the Lone District of Kalinga, our vote is for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mangudadatu

REP. MANGUNGUDATU. Assalamu alaikum and good morning to everyone. Mr. Speaker, my vote goes to Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Marcoleta

REP. MARCOLETA. The SAGIP Party-List votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mariano-Hernandez

REP. HERNANDEZ (R.). Mr. Presiding Officer, through this Representation, the Second District of Laguna, which consists of Cabuyao, Los Baños and Bay, votes for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mariño

REP. MARIÑO. Mr. Presiding Officer, ala eh, simula noong nagsimula, kami ay Alan Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Marquez

REP. MARQUEZ. Yes, Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of my constituents from the First District of Aklan, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Martinez

REP. MARTINEZ. The Second District of the city of Valenzuela votes for the speakership of Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Matba

REP. MATBA. *Assalam*, Mr. Speaker. My vote is for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Matugas

REP. MATUGAS. This Representation from Siargao and Bucas Grande Island, First District of Surigao del Norte, votes for Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mendoza

REP. MENDOZA. Mr. Presiding Officer, the workers TUCP is for Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Momo

REP. MOMO. Construction Workers Solidarity will vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Natividad-Nagaño

REP. NATIVIDAD-NAGAÑO. Ginoong Tagapamahala, sa ngalan po ng Ikaapat na Distrito ng Nueva Ecija, inihalal ko si Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano. Marami pong salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Nava

REP. NAVA. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the Lone District of Guimaras votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Nieto

REP. NIETO. Mr. Presiding Officer, mula po sa Ikatlong Distrito ng Maynila, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Noel

REP. NOEL. Maupay nga aga ha aton ngatanan. AN WARAY votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Nograles, Jericho

REP. NOGRALES (J.B.). Mr. Presiding Officer, the PBA Party-List will vote for the distinguished Gentleman who last served this House as a Sr. Dep. Minority Leader of the Thirteenth Congress, the honorable Gentleman from the First District of Taguig-Pateros, Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Nograles, Juan

REP. NOGRALES (J.F.). On behalf of the Second District of Rizal, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Nolasco

REP. NOLASCO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the First District of Cagayan, I hereby vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Nuñez-Malanyaon

REP. NUÑEZ-MALANYAON. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Oaminal

REP. OAMINAL. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Misamis Occidental, including the cities of Tangub and Ozamiz, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Olivarez

REP. OLIVAREZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the First District of Parañaque, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ong, Jose

REP. ONG (J.). Mr. Presiding Officer, representing

the Second District of Northern Samar, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ong, Ronnie

REP. ONG (R.). Mr. Presiding Officer, ANG PROBINSYANO Party-List votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ortega

REP. ORTEGA. The First District of La Union votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ouano-Dizon

REP. OUANO-DIZON. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the Sixth District of Cebu, I cast my vote to the Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pacquiao, Alberto

REP. PACQUIAO (A.). Mr. Speaker, as Representative of OFW Family Party-List, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pacquiao, Rogelio

REP. PACQUIAO (R.). Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. As Representative of the Lone District of Sarangani, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Padiernos

REP. PADIERNOS. Mr. Speaker, I will vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Paduano

REP. PADUANO. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from ABANG LINGKOD Party-List votes for Cong. Bienvenido “Benny” Abante. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Palma

REP. PALMA. My vote is for the Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pancho

REP. PANCHO. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Panotes

REP. PANOTES. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of my constituents and for the good of the Second District of Camarines Norte, I vote for the Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Peña

REP. PEÑA. Mula po sa Unang Distrito ng primyadong Lungsod ng Makati, ang Kinatawan pong ito ay para kay Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pichay

REP. PICHAY. Congressman Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pimentel

REP. PIMENTEL. Mr. Speaker, as Representative of the Second District of the province of Surigao del Sur, I vote for Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pineda

REP. PINEDA. Mr. Presiding Officer, the second nominee of 1PACMAN Party-List votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Plaza

REP. PLAZA. Mr. Presiding Officer, as

Representative of the Second District of Agusan del Sur, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Puno

REP. PUNO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the First District of Antipolo, I cast my vote for the Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Quimbo

REP. QUIMBO. Mr. Speaker, paabantehin natin si Cong. Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Radaza

REP. RADAZA. From the Lone District of Lapu-Lapu, we cast our vote for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ramirez-Sato

REP. RAMIREZ-SATO. As Representative of the people of Occidental Mindoro, I cast my vote in favor of the Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ramos

REP. RAMOS. Mr. Presiding Officer, from the Second District of Sorsogon, we vote for Alan Peter Cayetano. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Remulla

REP. REMULLA. The Seventh District of Cavite votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Revilla

REP. REVILLA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Cavite, representing the city of Bacoor, we vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Reyes

REP. REYES. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Third District of Quezon City votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Rivera

REP. RIVERA. Mr. Speaker, sa ngalan po ng Citizens' Battle Against Corruption (CIBAC), ang boto po namin ay ibinibigay po namin kay Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Robes

REP. ROBES. We are for the President. Sa ngalan po ng Lungsod ng San Jose del Monte, Bulacan, kami po ay para kay Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Rodriguez

REP. RODRIGUEZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Second Congressional District of the City of Golden Friendship, the capital city of the great region of Northern Mindanao, votes for former Senator, former Secretary of Foreign Affairs, now our colleague in the Eighteenth Congress, from the First District of Taguig, the Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Roman

REP. ROMAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, sa ngalan ng mga taga-Unang Distrito ng Bataan, ang aking boto ay para kay Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Romero

REP. ROMERO. Mr. Speaker, in 1986, after the EDSA Revolution, a schoolmate of mine at the De La Salle Alabang stood bravely and debated with then Senators Diokno, Tañada and Aquino. We were 15 years old at that time. Alan, as he is fondly called, had my respect and admiration since then. I place my vote to a childhood friend of mine, Alan Peter Cayetano. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Romualdez, Ferdinand

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). The First District of Leyte votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Romualdez, Yedda

REP. ROMUALDEZ (Y.). Maupay nga aga, Mr. Presiding Officer. My vote is for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Romualdo

REP. ROMUALDO. Mr. Presiding Officer, our vote is for Representative Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Romulo

REP. ROMULO. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the Lone District of Pasig City, we vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Roque

REP. ROQUE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I am representing the Fourth District of Bukidnon and my vote is for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Sacdalan

REP. SACDALAN. First District of North Cotabato votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Sagarbarria

REP. SAGARBARRIA. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Sakaluran
Salceda

REP. SALCEDA. Alan.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Salimbangon

REP. SALIMBANGON. Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the Fourth District of Cebu, I go for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Salo

REP. SALO. Mr. Presiding Officer, we need a Speaker who has integrity, a clear vision for the country and a holy fear of God. Thus, KABAYAN Party-List votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Sanchez

REP. SANCHEZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, from the Lone District of Catanduanes, I vote for Cong. Peter Alan Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Sangcopan

REP. SANGCOPAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, ang boto po ng AMIN o Anak Mindanao Party-List ay para sa Kagalang-galang Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Santos-Recto

REP. SANTOS-RECTO. Mr. Presiding Officer, representing Sixth District, Lipa City, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Sarmiento

REP. SARMIENTO. Good morning, Mr. Presiding Officer. Good morning, everyone.

He served well when he was a Member of both Chambers of Congress: Senate in the Republic, and of course, the House of Representatives. He served well as well when he was the Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs, the reason this Representation from the First District of Samar including the cities of Calbayog and nine

municipalities, casts the vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

Thank you, honorable Presiding Officer.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Saulog

REP. SAULOG. Mr. Presiding Officer, as KALINGA Party-List Representative, I vote for Cong. Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Savellano

REP. SAVELLANO. Apo Presiding Officer, kas mangibagi ti Primero Distrito ti Ilocos Sur, ti botosa mi nga para Speaker, awan sabali nu saan nga ni Apo Alan Peter Cayetano, nga isu ti mangted ti nam-ay iti Ilocandia. Dios angngina, Apo.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Siao

REP. SIAO. Mr. Presiding Officer, before I cast my vote, I would like to acknowledge the presence of my constituents in the gallery, as well as the people of Iligan City.

The Lone District of Iligan supports Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Silverio

REP. SILVERIO. As Representative of the Third District of Bulacan, I vote for my former colleague, Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Singson

REP. SINGSON. I will have to follow the lead of our Speaker-designate, Congressman Cayetano. Therefore, I vote for Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Singson-Meehan

REP. SINGSON-MEEHAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Second District of Ilocos Sur votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Sinsuat

REP. SINSUAT. *Assalamu alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.*

Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the First District of Maguindanao and Cotabato City, my vote is for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Suansing, Estrellita

REP. SUANSING (E.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the First District of Nueva Ecija, my vote goes to the person with integrity, Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano as Speaker.

REP. SUANSING (E.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the First District of Nueva Ecija, my vote goes to the person with integrity, Rep. Alan Peter Cayetano as Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Suansing, Horacio

REP. SUANSING (H.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Second District of Sultan Kudarat, this Representation votes for Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Suarez, Aleta

REP. SUAREZ (A.). Mr. Speaker, my vote is Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Suarez, David

REP. SUAREZ (D.). Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the Second District of Quezon Province, we vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Suntay

REP. SUNTAY. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of

the people of the Fourth District of Quezon City, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Sy-Alvarado

REP. SY-ALVARADO. Mr. Presiding Officer, kalakip po ang pag-asa na mas mapapatulin ang mga proyekto na magdadala sa ating mga mahihirap patungo sa pangako ng mas magandang buhay, ang Unang Distrito po ng Bulacan, sa ngalan po ng inyong Kinatawan, Kuya Jonathan Sy-Alvarado, ay nagtitiwala at bumoboto sa aking kaibigan, Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Taduran

REP. TADURAN. Sa ngalan po ng pagkakaisa at bilang pagkilala sa kakayahan at kasanayan ni Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano, ako po bilang Kinatawan ng ACT-CIS Party-List, ay bumoboto po kay Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tallado

REP. TALLADO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Camarines Norte, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tambunting

REP. TAMBUNTING. Ako po, bilang Representante ng Pangalawang Distrito ng siyudad ng Parañaque, ay bumoboto para kay Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tan, Alyssa

REP. TAN (A.P.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Fourth District of the province of Isabela, I cast our vote in favor of Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano; and, Mr. Presiding Officer, may I respectfully request that my speech to explain my vote be included or inserted into the Record.*

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tan, Angelina

REP. TAN (A.D.L.). Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tan, Samier

REP. TAN (S.A.). Representing the First District of Sulu province, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tan, Sharee

REP. TAN (S.T.). Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tan-Tambut

REP. TAN-TAMBUT. Mr. Speaker, Kusug-Tausug Party-List votes for Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tejada

REP. TEJADA. Mr. Presiding Officer, I, representing the Third Congressional District of the Province of Cotabato, vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Teves, Arnolfo

REP. TEVES (A.). Abante

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Teves, Jose

REP. TEVES (J.). Mr. Presiding Officer, TGP Party-List votes for Congressman Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tiangco

REP. TIANGCO. Mr. Presiding Officer, Navotas City votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tolentino

REP. TOLENTINO. Mr. Presiding Officer, kung iyong iba po ay umaabante, ito po ay hindi umaatras kay Cayetano. I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Torres-Gomez

REP. TORRES-GOMEZ. The Fourth District of Leyte votes for the Honorable Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tulfo

REP. TULFO. Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tupas

REP. TUPAS. Mr. Presiding Officer, Fifth District of Iloilo votes for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tutor

REP. TUTOR. Mr. Presiding Officer, from the Third District of Bohol, from the land of the Chocolate Hills, I am voting for Congressman Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ty

REP. TY. The people of the First District of Misamis Occidental will be in good hands by voting for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Umali, Alfonso

REP. UMALI (A.). I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Umali, Ma. Victoria

REP. UMALI (M.). Mr. Presiding Officer, A TEACHER goes for Congressman Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Unabia

REP. UNABIA. I vote for Cong. Alan Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ungab

REP. UNGAB. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation is voting for honorable Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Uy, Juliet

REP. UY (J.). On behalf of the Second District of Misamis Oriental, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Uy, Rolando

REP. UY (R.). Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Valeriano

REP. VALERIANO. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of the Second District of Manila, I cast my vote for Speaker Alan Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Valmayor

REP. VALMAYOR. As Representative from the First District of Negros Occidental, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Vargas

REP. VARGAS. Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Representative of the Fifth District of Quezon City—Novaliches, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Vargas-Alfonso

REP. VARGAS-ALFONSO. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Second District of Cagayan votes for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Velasco

REP. VELASCO. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the Lone District of Marinduque votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Velooso

REP. VELOSO. Without any explanation, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Vergara

REP. VERGARA. Magandang tanghali po. Bilang Kinatawan ng Ikatlong Distrito ng Nueva Ecija, kami po ay bumoboto para kay Kagalang-galang Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villa

REP. VILLA. Mr. Chair, I am voting for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villafuerte

REP. VILLAFUERTE. Dios maray na aldaw sa indo gabos.

Mr. Speaker, I vote for the candidate who is my party-mate in the Nacionalista Party. I vote for the candidate who is an adopted son of Camarines Sur. And most importantly, I vote for the candidate whose wife is a Bicolana. I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villanueva, Eduardo

REP. VILLANUEVA (E.). Mr. Presiding Officer, for

the information of our beloved countrymen, nationwide and worldwide, I am actually in a dilemma because both of the nominees are my highly esteemed brothers in Christ. Nevertheless, Citizens' Battle Against Corruption or CIBAC Party-List decided to vote for the sake of love, unity and reconciliation, and for the restoration of truth, justice and righteousness in this august Chamber. I vote for Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villanueva, Noel

REP. VILLANUEVA (N.). Ako na pala.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of the Third District of Tarlac, I vote for a veteran legislator, a diplomat and a statesman, the Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano as the Speaker of the Eighteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villar

REP. VILLAR. Mr. Speaker, as Representative of the Lone District of Las Piñas, I vote for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villaraza-Suarez

REP. VILLARAZA-SUAREZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of ALONA Party-List, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villarica

REP. VILLARICA. As Representative of the Fourth District of Bulacan, I vote for Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Violago

REP. VIOLAGO. Mr. Presiding Officer, bilang Kinatawan ng Ikalawang Distrito ng Nueva Ecija, ang akin pong boto ay para kay Cong. Alan Peter "Compañero" Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Yap, Eric

REP. YAP (E.). Good morning, Mr. Speaker.

Gusto ko lang pong ipaalam sa lahat na simula May 14 hanggang kaninang umaga, ang aking Speaker po ay si Paolo Duterte. Pero dahil po ini-nominate niya si Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano, naniniwala ako na magiging magaling na Speaker po ito. Kaya dahil po doon, ang Speaker ko po ay si Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano.

Salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Yap, Victor

REP. YAP (V.). Mr. Presiding Officer, as the last voter for the province of Tarlac, Second District, I unanimously complete the voting of the Representation of the province for Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Yu

REP. YU. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the First District of Zamboanga del Sur, I vote for Hon. Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Zamora, Ronaldo

REP. ZAMORA (R.). Mr. Speaker, Alan Peter Cayetano.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Zamora, Way Kurat

REP. ZAMORA (W.K.). Mr. Speaker, this is my 10th year in Congress, and I have been trying to file the necessary bills to start with letter Z and ending with letter A because tiningnan ko ang relo ko ngayon, two hours and thirty minutes bago natawag iyong pangalan ko, but at any rate, as Representative of the First District, I already decided to cast my vote in favor kung saan bumoto si Cong. Pulong Duterte. Do you know it? Do you know it, Your Honor? You do not know. Kanino bumoto si Cong. Pulong Duterte ho ...

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). Honorable Cayetano.

REP. ZAMORA (W.K.). ...for the record?

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). Honorable Cayetano, Sir.

REP. ZAMORA (W.K.). Oh! Where did he cast the vote for the record?

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). For the record, boto ni Pulong.

REP. ZAMORA (W.K.). Saan po bumoto si Congressman—Kanino bumoto si Cong. Pulong Duterte?

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). The Secretariat says it is for Congressman Cayetano, Sir.

REP. ZAMORA (W.K.). Who?

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). Cong. Alan Peter Cayetano po.

REP. ZAMORA (W.K.). O, di, Cayetano. (*Laughter and applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Zarate

REP. ZARATE. Ginoong Presiding Officer, ang Kinatawang ito po ng BAYAN MUNA ay bumoboto para kay Congressman Benny Abante.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Zubiri.

REP. ZUBIRI. Sa wakas, tapos na rin. Noong Kindergarten hanggang ngayon, parati akong huli. Anyway, okay lang. This Representation votes for Alan Peter Cayetano.

Maraming salamat po.
(*Applause*)

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). With two Members abstaining from the vote and a Member registering a “No” vote, the result of the voting showed that the Gentleman from the First District of Taguig City-Pateros, the Hon. Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano, garnered 266 votes. (*Applause*)

The Gentleman from Manila, the Hon. Bienvenido Abante, garnered 28 votes. (*Applause*)

REP. ABU. Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). With 266 votes, the Chair declares the Gentleman from the First District of Taguig City-Pateros, the Hon. Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano, as the duly-elected Speaker of the House of Representatives. (*Applause*)

REP. ABU. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that a committee of eight Members composed of the Hon. Paolo Z. Duterte, Hon. Lord Allan Jay Velasco, Hon.

Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, Hon. Roberto Puno, Hon. Luis Raymund Villafuerte Jr., Hon. Aurelio Gonzales Jr., Hon. Michael John R. Duavit, and Hon. Michael L. Romero, be constituted to notify the Hon. Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano of his election as Speaker of the House of Representatives and, thereafter, to escort the Speaker-elect to the rostrum for the oath-taking rites.

I so move, Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the notification committee is hereby constituted.

The Members of the House so-named are hereby appointed to the Notification Committee and they are requested to inform the Speaker-elect, the Hon. Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano, of his election and to escort him to the rostrum.

The Chair invites the family of the Speaker-elect to join him at the rostrum as he takes his oath of the office. (*Applause*)

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). The session is suspended.

It was 12:24 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 12:27 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). The session is resumed.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin). Honorable Members of the House of Representatives, the Speaker of the Eighteenth Congress, the Gentleman from the First District of Taguig City/Pateros, the Hon. Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano. (*Applause*)

At this juncture, Rep. Eduardo “Bro. Eddie” C. Villanueva led the Members of the House in praying over the newly elected Speaker, Hon. Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano. (Applause)

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. Maling). The Hon. Braeden John Q. Biron of the Fourth District of Iloilo will administer the oath of office of the Speaker-elect. The Honorable Biron is requested to come to the rostrum and administer the oath of office to the Speaker.

May we request all Members of the House to please rise.

At this juncture, Rep. Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano, with members of his family, ascended the rostrum and took his oath of office as Speaker of the House of Representatives before Representative Braeden John Q. Biron of the Fourth District of Iloilo.

OATH-TAKING OF SPEAKER CAYETANO (A.P.)

REP. BIRON. Mr. Speaker, please raise your right hand and repeat after me.

I, ALAN PETER “COMPAÑERO” S. CAYETANO, of the First District of Taguig City and Pateros, having been elected as the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Eighteenth Congress, hereby solemnly swear that I will well and faithfully discharge to the best of my ability the duties of my present position and of all others I may hereafter hold under the Republic of the Philippines; that I will support and defend the Constitution of the Philippines; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the laws, legal orders, and decrees promulgated by the duly constituted authorities of the Republic of the Philippines; and that I impose this obligation upon myself voluntarily, without mental reservation or purpose of evasion.

So help me God. (Applause)

REP. BIRON. Congratulations!

At this juncture, the Presiding Officer relinquished the Chair to Speaker Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano.

THE SPEAKER. The session is resumed.
The Acting Floor Leader is recognized.

REP. ABU. Honorable Members of the Eighteenth Congress, may we hear some words from our *primus inter pares*, Speaker Alan Peter “Compañero” Cayetano. *(Applause)*

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH OF SPEAKER CAYETANO (A.P.)

THE SPEAKER. “Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and everything shall be added unto you.”

As we seek to win the campaign against drugs, crime, and corruption, we also seek to destroy and win the battle against poverty and other things that are ailing the Filipino people and our nation.

President Rodrigo Roa Duterte or Mayor Rody, as he is fondly called, wants a safe and comfortable life for all.

The House of Representatives, the House of the People, are partners with the Duterte administration. We are partners in pursuing a better life for all Filipinos,

whether we talk about teachers, about senior citizens, about young people, OFWs, professionals, our teachers, government workers, workers in the private sectors, our out-of-school youth, rich or poor, young or old, of whatever persuasion, of whatever religion, we are all connected and united.

Regardless of our religious beliefs, of our personal circumstances, the verse I started with is actually a guide and a fundamental truth. In layman’s terms, it is very simple—when we say “seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,” we are saying, *gawin natin kung ano iyong tama*, let us do what is right.

People love their Congressmen but they love to hate Congress. This is something I ask all of you: in unison, let us change that because this is the House of the People. We should respect and love our Congressman but we should also feel that the House of Representatives is the House of the People. *Tayo po ang takbuhang sambayanan*. We will do what is right so that we will have a Congress that is relevant, responsive and reliable. United, we commit to God and our people the work of the Eighteenth Congress.

Sa lahat po sa inyo, sa mga Miyembro ng Eighteenth Congress, sa lahat po ng nagdadasal sa ating Kongreso, maraming, maraming salamat po sa inyong tiwala. Sana po ako ay maging worthy at sana po ay tulungan ninyo ako para sa loob po ng 15 buwan ay mapagsilbihan po natin ang ating mga kababayan nang mabuti at lahat po ng nasa legislative agenda, ubusin na natin at ipasá na natin dahil mas magandang magawa na natin ito kaagad.

Again, maraming, maraming salamat sa inyo. *(Applause)*

REP. ABU. Mr. Speaker.

THE SPEAKER. The Acting Floor Leader is recognized.

REP. ABU. I move for the adoption of the Seventeenth Congress’ Rules of the House of Representatives as the provisional Rules of the House to govern its proceedings until the adoption of the Rules of the House of Representatives of the Eighteenth Congress.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)*
The Chair hears none; the Rules of the Seventeenth Congress is hereby adopted as provisional Rules of the House of Representatives of the Eighteenth Congress.

REP. ABU. Mr. Speaker, I move that we now proceed with the oath-taking of the Members of the House of Representatives.

THE SPEAKER. We will now proceed with the oath-taking of the House of Representatives.

All Members stood up for the oath-taking.

OATH-TAKING OF MEMBERS

THE SPEAKER. All Members of the House, please rise.

Please raise your right hands and repeat after me.

I, _____, of _____, having been elected as Representative of _____, hereby solemnly swear that I will well and faithfully discharge to the best of my ability the duties of my present position and of all others I may hereafter hold under the Republic of the Philippines; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I will obey the laws, legal orders, and decrees promulgated by the duly constituted authorities of the Republic of the Philippines; and that I impose this obligation upon myself voluntarily without mental reservation or purpose of evasion.

So help me God.

Congratulations. *(Applause)*

The Acting Floor Leader is recognized.

NOMINATION SPEECH OF REP. ABU

REP. ABU. Mr. Speaker, my distinguished colleagues.

Today, we speak of a man who, we believe, will be able to stir this Chamber to great heights in the next three years. We live in an exciting yet challenging time, with significant reforms being undertaken by the government in the hope of bettering the lives of the Filipino people. At the forefront of these efforts will be crucial legislation necessary for the realization of the objectives of the administration.

The man I am about to nominate is someone with a reputation of being a consensus builder, tough, hardworking but fair and most importantly generous in mind, heart, and spirit, of course, who I believe possesses the qualities that we as an institution need in these crucial and critical three years.

Service to the people is in his DNA, which is clearly seen from his early academic achievements. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Government from Cornell University, a Certificate of Special Studies in Administration and Management from Harvard University. He also earned his Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of the Philippines.

After several years in the private sector, he entered public service and was a three-term Representative of the First District of Leyte serving the people of his district with great dedication, vision, and care. He was the author and sponsor of landmark legislations such as Republic Act No. 10754 which expanded the benefits and privileges granted to people with disability.

He is a doting father to four children and a loving husband to his wife, our colleague, Rep. Yedda Marie K. Romualdez. I mentioned this, Mr. Speaker, because by

virtue of being a family man, he will serve this Chamber and this country to the greatest of his abilities and with utmost dedication and sincerity because he believes in helping shape a better future for his children.

Mr. Speaker, it is with the firmest of conviction and with great honor and pride that the majority Members of the House of Representatives nominate the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as Majority Leader of the House of Representatives for the Eighteenth Congress.

I so move, Mr. Speaker. *(Applause)*

THE SPEAKER. There is a motion on the part of the majority bloc of the House of Representatives to elect the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez of the First District of Leyte as the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* There being none, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez is hereby elected Majority Leader of the House of Representatives. *(Applause)*

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Thank you, Speaker, and my colleagues of the Eighteenth Congress.

I vow to serve you all and the Republic of the Philippines.

Thank you. *(Applause)*

THE SPEAKER. Majority Leader, please take over. We will have the oath-taking of the Majority Leader-elect. May we invite you and your family.

At this juncture, Rep. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez and the members of his family ascended the rostrum and he then took his oath of office as Majority Leader before the honorable Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

OATH-TAKING OF REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.) AS MAJORITY LEADER

THE SPEAKER. Please raise your right hand and repeat after me.

I, FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ of the First District of Leyte, having been elected as Majority Leader, hereby solemnly swear that I will well and faithfully discharge to the best of my ability the duties of my present position and of all others I may hereafter hold under the Republic of the Philippines; that I will support and defend the Constitution of the Philippines; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the laws, legal orders, and decrees promulgated by the duly constituted authorities of the Republic of the Philippines; and that I impose this obligation upon myself voluntarily, without mental reservation or purpose of evasion.

So help me God.

THE SPEAKER. Congratulations.

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.) Thank you. *(Applause)*
Mr. Speaker, I move that we now proceed to the election of the Deputy Speakers of the House of Representatives.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? The Chair hears none; the election of the Deputy Speakers of the House of Representatives is now in order.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKERS

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move that we elect as Deputy Speakers of the House of Representatives the following: Reps. Paolo Zimmerman Duterte, Ferdinand Ledesma Hernandez, Evelina Guevarra Escudero, Lorna Regina Bautista Legarda, Conrado M. Estrella III, Prospero Arreza Pichay Jr., Roberto Villanueva Puno, Eduardo Cruz Villanueva, Aurelio Dueñas Gonzales Jr., Johnny Ty Pimentel, Lray Favis Villafuerte Jr.

THE SPEAKER. As stated by the Majority Leader, they are unanimously elected as Deputy Speakers of the House of Representatives. *(Applause)*

REP. ROMUALDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I move that we now proceed to the election of the Secretary General.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)*
The Chair hears none; the election of the Secretary General is now in order.

ELECTION OF SECRETARY GENERAL

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move that we elect Atty. Jose Luis G. Montales as the Secretary General of the House of Representatives.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)*
The Chair hears none; Atty. Jose Luis G. Montales is unanimously elected as Secretary General of the House of Representatives. *(Applause)*

ELECTION OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move that we now proceed to the election of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)*
The Chair hears none; the election of the Sergeant-at-Arms is now in order.

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move that we elect Gen. Ramon C. Apolinario as the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)*

The Chair hears none; Gen. Ramon C. Apolinario is unanimously elected Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives. *(Applause)*

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, may we request the Secretary General, Atty. Jose Luis Montales, to go up the rostrum with the members of his family for the oath-taking.

Atty. Jose Luis G. Montales, with the members of his family, ascended the rostrum and took his oath of office as Secretary General of the House of Representatives before Speaker Alan Peter S. Cayetano.

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). I move to suspend session.

OATH-TAKING OF ATTY. MONTALES AS SECRETARY GENERAL

THE SPEAKER. Please raise your right hand and repeat after me.

I, JOSE LUIS G. MONTALES, having been elected as Secretary General of the House of Representatives, hereby solemnly swear that I will well and faithfully discharge to the best of my ability the duties of my present position and of all others that I may hereafter hold under the Republic of the Philippines; that I will support and defend the Constitution of the Philippines; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I will obey all laws, legal orders, and decrees promulgated by the duly constituted authorities of the Republic of the Philippines; and that I impose this obligation upon myself voluntarily, without mental reservation or purpose of evasion.

So help me God.

THE SPEAKER. Congratulations.

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. Thank you. *(Applause)*

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). May we request the Sergeant-at-Arms, Gen. Ramon C. Apolinario, to go up the rostrum for his oath-taking.

Gen. Ramon C. Apolinario ascended the rostrum and took his oath of office as Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives before Speaker Alan Peter Cayetano.

OATH-TAKING OF GEN. APOLINARIO AS SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

THE SPEAKER. Please raise your right hand and repeat after me.

I, GEN. RAMON COLET APOLINARIO, having been elected to the position of Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives, hereby solemnly swear that I will faithfully discharge to the best of my ability the duties of my present position and of all others I may hereafter hold under the Republic of the Philippines; that I will support and defend the Constitution of the Philippines; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I will obey all laws, legal orders, and decrees promulgated by the duly constituted authorities of the Republic of the Philippines; and that I impose this obligation upon myself voluntarily, without mental reservation or purpose of evasion.

So help me God.

THE SPEAKER. Congratulations.

THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS. Thank you, Sir. *(Applause)*

CONSIDERATION OF H. RES. NO. 73

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move for the consideration of House Resolution No. 73.

May I ask that the Secretary General be directed to read only the title of the measure.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.*

The Secretary General is directed to read only the title of the measure.

With the permission of the Body, and since copies of the measure have been previously distributed, the Secretary General read only the title thereof without prejudice to inserting its text in the Congressional Record.

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. House Resolution No. 73, entitled: RESOLUTION INFORMING THE SENATE THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS BEEN ORGANIZED AND HAS ENTERED UPON THE EXERCISE OF ITS FUNCTIONS.

ADOPTION OF H. RES. NO. 73

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). I move for the adoption of House Resolution No. 73.

THE SPEAKER. There is a motion to adopt House Resolution No. 73. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

House Resolution No. 73 is adopted.
The Majority Leader is recognized.

CONSIDERATION OF H. RES. NO. 74

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move for the consideration of House Resolution No. 74.

May I ask that the Secretary General be directed to read only the title of the measure.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.*

The Secretary General is instructed to read the title of the measure.

With the permission of the Body, and since copies of the measure have been previously distributed, the Secretary General read only the title thereof without prejudice to inserting its text in the Congressional Record.

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. House Resolution No. 74, entitled: RESOLUTION INFORMING PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS BEEN ORGANIZED AND HAS ENTERED UPON THE EXERCISE OF ITS FUNCTIONS.

ADOPTION OF H. RES. NO. 74

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move for the adoption of House Resolution No. 74.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.
House Resolution No. 74 is adopted.

CONSIDERATION OF H. CT. RES. NO. 2

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move for the consideration of House Concurrent Resolution No. 2.

May I ask that the Secretary General be directed to read only the title of the measure.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.*

The Secretary General is directed to read only the title of the resolution.

With the permission of the Body, and since copies of the measure have been previously distributed, the Secretary General read only the title thereof without prejudice to inserting its text in the Congressional Record.

* See MEASURES CONSIDERED (printed separately)

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. House Concurrent Resolution No. 2, entitled: CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO HOLD A JOINT SESSION TO HEAR THE MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES.

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). I move for the adoption of House Concurrent Resolution No. 2.

ADOPTION OF H. CT. RES. NO. 2

THE SPEAKER. There is a motion to adopt House Concurrent Resolution No. 2. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved. House Concurrent Resolution No. 2 is adopted.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

THE SPEAKER. The session is suspended while the House transmits the messages to the Senate.

It was 1:01 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 1:01 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE SPEAKER. The session is resumed. The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move for the consideration of the Messages from the Senate, Mr. Speaker.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The consideration of Messages from the Senate is now in order.

The Secretary General is instructed to read the messages from the Senate.

The Secretary General read the following Messages from the Senate and the Speaker made the corresponding reference:

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Message dated July 22, 2019 informing the House that the Senate on even date adopted Senate Resolution, entitled: RESOLUTION INFORMING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT A QUORUM IS PRESENT IN THE SENATE AND THAT THIS BODY HAS ENTERED UPON THE

EXERCISE OF ITS FUNCTIONS FOR THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES. TO THE ARCHIVES

Message dated July 22, 2019 informing the House that the Senate on even date adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, entitled: CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CREATING A JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES THAT CONGRESS, NOW CONVENED FOR ITS FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES, IS READY TO HEAR HIS STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS IN A JOINT SESSION OF BOTH HOUSES. TO THE CALENDAR OF THE BUSINESS FOR THE DAY

CONSIDERATION OF S. CT. RES. NO. 1

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move for the consideration of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1. May I ask that the Secretary General be directed to read only the title of the measure.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.*

The Secretary General is directed to read only the title of the measure.

With the permission of the Body, and since copies of the measure have been previously distributed, the Secretary General read only the title thereof without prejudice to inserting its text in the Congressional Record.

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, entitled: CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CREATING A JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES THAT CONGRESS, NOW CONVENED FOR ITS FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES, IS READY TO HEAR HIS STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS IN A JOINT SESSION OF BOTH HOUSES.

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). I move for the adoption of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

ADOPTION OF S. CT. RES. NO. 1

THE SPEAKER. There is a motion to adopt

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 is adopted.
The Majority Leader is recognized.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). In view of the adoption of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, authorizing the creation of a Joint Committee of both Houses to notify the President of the Philippines that Congress has convened and ready to hear his message, on the part of the House, I move that the following be appointed to the Joint Committee:

I move for suspension of the session, Mr. Speaker.

THE SPEAKER. The session is suspended.

It was 1:04 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 1:04 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE SPEAKER. The session is resumed.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

DESIGNATION OF MEMBERS TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). In view of the adoption of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, authorizing the creation of a Joint Committee of both Houses to notify the President of the Philippines that Congress has convened and ready to hear his message, on the part of the House, I move that the following be appointed to the Joint Committee:

1. Rep. Paolo Zimmerman Duterte;
2. Rep. Ferdinand Ledesma Hernandez;
3. Rep. Evelina Guevarra Escudero; and
4. Rep. Lorna Regina Bautista Legarda.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Members of the House of Representatives so named are hereby appointed to the Joint Committee and are requested to immediately discharge their responsibility.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). In order to give the Members of the Joint Committee time to perform their assigned task and until the House counterpart is ready

to report back their accomplishment to this House, I move for the suspension of the session.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.
The session is suspended.

It was 1:06 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 1:08 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE SPEAKER. The session is resumed.
The Majority Leader is recognized.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAJORITY LEADER

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, in the spirit of getting the Congress organized, I move that we elect the Senior Deputy Majority Leader, Hon. Jesus Crispin C. Remulla of Cavite, as the Senior Deputy Majority Leader. *(Applause)*

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? Hearing not only the applause but no objection, Congressman Remulla is hereby elected.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move for the election of the following Chairpersons to the following Committees:

The Majority Leader read the names of the House Members elected to the various committees, per Journal No. 1 dated July 22, 2019.

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

As Chairman
Rep. Isidro T. Ungab

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

Congressman Ungab is elected as the Chairperson of the Committee on Appropriations. *(Applause)*

COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS

As Chairman
Rep. Abraham "Bambol" N. Tolentino

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Applause)* Again, is there any objection? *(Silence)* I am waiting

for an objection. (*Laughter*) There is no objection, Congressman Tolentino is elected as Chairperson of the Committee on Accounts. (*Applause*)

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, we have received a report from the Joint Committee that the President has been informed that Congress will convene in a Joint Session at four o'clock this afternoon to hear his State of the Nation Address.

Mr. Speaker, we wish to remind the Members of this Chamber that all of us must be here an hour before the Joint Session at four o'clock preferably, Sirs, Mesdames, before three o'clock, as there will be a lockdown. So, please dress up and prepare accordingly.

THE SPEAKER. The remarks of the Majority Leader are duly noted.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, to give way to the Joint Session at four o'clock this afternoon, I move that we adjourn the session until tomorrow, Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at three o'clock in the afternoon. (*Applause*)

THE SPEAKER. Before we adjourn, the Deputy Speakers who were elected can take their oath right after we adjourn.

If there are no objections, (*Silence*) the Chair hears no objection, the session is adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, July 23, 2019, at three o'clock in the afternoon. (*Applause*)

It was 1:11 p.m.