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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 258

Introduced by Hon. John Marvin "Yul Servo" C. Nieto

**A RESOLUTION
OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES EXPRESSING PROFOUND
CONDOLENCES ON THE DEMISE OF FORMER DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES SECRETARY, REGINA PAZ
"GINA" L. LOPEZ**

WHEREAS, Environmentalist Regina Paz "Gina" L. Lopez was the Ad Interim Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Secretary from June 2016 to May 2017;

WHEREAS, Gina Lopez joined our Creator on the 19th of August, 2019;

WHEREAS, prior to her appointment as the DENR secretary, Lopez served as the Vice Chairperson of the ABS-CBN Bayan Foundation, the socio-civic arm of ABS-CBN, where she launched notable programs such as the Bantay Bata 163 – the first ever rescue hotline for children in Asia;

WHEREAS, as a staunch supporter of sustainable environment and rehabilitation, Lopez was appointed as the Chairperson of the Pasig River Rehabilitation Commission (PRRC) as recognition of her valiance in launching of Bantay Kalikasan, which led to the successful reforestation of the La Mesa Watershed as well as the rehabilitation of seventeen Pasig River (17) *esteros*;

WHEREAS, as the forerunner of innovative education in the Philippines, Lopez pioneered Educational Television (ETV), which effectively installed video libraries in ten thousand (10,000) public schools all over the country;

WHEREAS, ETV, under her wisdom, aired for fifteen years the following educational shows: *Sineskwela* (Science); which received the Unesco Kalinga Award—first in Southeast Asia, *Math Tinik* (Math), *Hirayamanawari* (Values), *Bayani* (History), and

WHEREAS, Lopez is honored and mourned by her allies in her advocacies, her colleagues in the media industry, her constituents in ABS-CBN Bayan Foundation, the House of Representatives, and her friends and family;

WHEREAS, Ms. Gina Lopez will always be remembered by her kind heart, warm smile, strong will, and unwavering values;

WHEREFORE, it is hereby resolved that we as members of the House of Representatives, express our deepest condolences on the honorable demise of Regina Paz Gina" L. Lopez, and that a copy of this House Resolution be furnished to the Lopez family.


JOHN MARVIN "YUL SERVO" C. NIETO