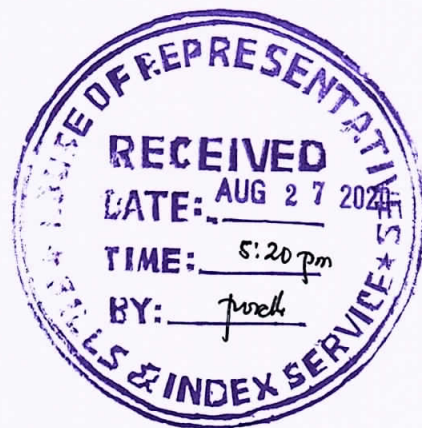




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House Resolution No. 1172

Introduced by REPRESENTATIVE ERIC L. OLIVAREZ

**A RESOLUTION
EXPRESSING PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND SINCERE
CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
ON THE DEMISE OF THE HONORABLE COMELEC
CHAIRMAN SIXTO SERRANO BRILLANTES, JR.**

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2020, Former Comelec Chairman Brillantes, Jr died at Medical Center Manila due to COVID 19. He was 80 years old.¹

WHEREAS, COMELEC Chairman Sixto Serrano Brillantes, Jr. was a resident of Barangay BF Homes, Paranaque City at the time of his death.

WHEREAS, Chairman Brillantes was born on August 14, 1939 to Sixto P. Brillantes Sr., former Governor and Assemblyman of Ilocos Sur who later on became a Commissioner of the Commission on Election, and Azucena Serrano. Chairman Brillantes was the fourth among siblings

¹ <https://www.cnnphilippines.com/news/2020/8/11/comelec-sixto-brillantes-jr-death.html>

which include former Labor Secretary and Ambassador to Canada Jose Brillantes.²

WHEREAS, Chairman Brillantes spent his elementary years at Saint Theresa's College of San Marcelino, Manila and at the Ateneo de Manila University. He then studied at San Beda University during his high-school and college years. It was in 1960 that Chairman Brillantes earned his Bachelor of Science in Commerce degree and passed the CPA Licensure Examination. He took the 1965 Bar Examinations and ranked 7th place after graduating in the same year in San Beda Law School where he was elected President of the San Beda College of Law Supreme Law Council and Editor-in-Chief of the San Beda College of Law Journal

WHEREAS, Chairman Brillantes started his law career as Court Attorney at the Court of Appeals. Eventually, he ventured into private practice and became a famous election lawyer. On January 16, 2011, he became the Chairman of the Commission on Elections. To serve the unexpired term of Chairman Jose Melo from 2011 to 2015, he was appointed by President Benigno Aquino III.

WHEREAS, Chairman Brillantes was described as a staunch defender of the integrity of the COMELEC who zealously went after those who sought to undermine public confidence in the electoral system sanctioning actions that would bring violators of election laws to justice.

WHEREAS, Chairman Brillantes was a dedicated advocate for electoral management reform, strengthening and empowering the Campaign Finance Office which, to this day, vigorously pursues its mandate to hold candidates accountable for their campaign spending.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing factual milieu, we the undersigned members of the House of Representatives hereby **RESOLVE** to express our deepest condolences on the demise of Honorable COMELEC Chairman Sixto S.Brillantes, Jr.

² <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/08/18/obituaries/sixto-brillantes-dead-coronavirus.html>

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

RESOLVED FINALLY, that this Resolution be formed as part of the records of this august body.

ADOPTED.

Eric L. Olivarez
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