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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1231

Introduced by Representatives Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano,
Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez and Bienvenido M. Abante, Jr.

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF HONORABLE EDGARDO U. ILARDE, FORMER SENATOR, ASSEMBLYMAN AND REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FIRST LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF RIZAL DURING THE SIXTH CONGRESS

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2020, Honorable Edgardo “Eddie” U. Ilarde passed away at the age of 85;

WHEREAS, Honorable Eddie Ilarde or “*Kuya Eddie*” as he was popularly known, was born on August 25, 1934 in a quaint town of Iriga, Camarines Sur and eventually completed his secondary course from the Iriga Central High School with honors;

WHEREAS, he migrated to Manila and finished his Bachelor in Journalism degree from the Far Eastern University where he was a gold medalist in oratorical and debating contests, and in 1957, was voted as one of its “Outstanding Alumni;”

WHEREAS, before he became a public servant, Kuya Eddie was already a very popular television and radio personality, and was the first to introduce programs such as “*The Eddie Ilarde Show*,” the country’s first musical variety program (1959-1962); “*Darigold Jamboree*” (1969); “*Kapwa ko, Mahal ko*” (1975); “*Swerte sa Siyete*” (1976-1986); “*Student Canteen*,” the first student

and youth talent search (1958-1965; 1975-1986; 1989-1990); "*Kahapon Lamang*," the first true-to-life television drama anthology and public service-oriented program, (started in 1955; 1976-1986); "*Napakasakit, Kuya Eddie*" (1986-1988); "*Yagit*," the first TV soap opera in the mid-80's; and "*Alas Dose sa Trese*" (1999-2000);

WHEREAS, Kuya Eddie entered politics when he ran and was elected as councilor of Pasay City in 1963; voted as Representative of the First Legislative District of Rizal during the Sixth Congress in 1965; and elected as Senator in 1971, but his term was cut short when Martial Law was declared; and years after, was elected Assemblyman in the Interim Batasang Pambansa representing the National Capital Region;

WHEREAS, during his term as Member of the Sixth Congress, he authored several important bills that were passed into laws such as: Republic Act No. 4661, entitled "*An Act Shortening the Prescriptive Period for Libel and Other Similar Offenses, Amending for the Purpose Article Ninety of the Revised Penal Code*," Republic Act No. 4726, otherwise known as "*The Condominium Act*," Republic Act No. 4826, entitled "*An Act Authorizing the Fisheries Commission to Establish and Maintain a Fish Sanctuary within Laguna de Bay in Rizal and Laguna Provinces, Delineating its Boundaries, Authorizing the Appropriation of Funds Therefore, and for Other Purposes*," Republic Act No. 4829, entitled "*An Act Providing for the Re-establishment and/or Rehabilitation of Hansenites and their Families*," Republic Act No. 4836, entitled "*An Act creating a Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court in Quezon City by Amending the Charter of Quezon City*," Republic Act No. 4838, entitled "*An Act Providing for Three Additional Judges for the Seventh Judicial District to Preside Over the Court of First Instance of Rizal With Permanent Stations in the Municipalities of Pasig and Makati, Province of Rizal and in the City of Caloocan, Amending for the Purpose Sections Fifty and Fifty-Two of the Judiciary Act of 1948*," and Republic Act No. 4850, entitled "*An Act Creating the Laguna Lake Development Authority, Prescribing its Powers, Functions and Duties, Providing Funds Therefore, and for Other Purposes*;"

WHEREAS, during his term as Assemblyman in the Interim Batasang Pambansa, he authored the "*Ilarde-De Vera Hospital Deposit Law*" which prohibited hospitals from demanding cash deposits for emergency cases;

WHEREAS, Honorable Eddie Ilarde was a recipient of a "*Lifetime Achievement Award*" conferred by the Philippine Movie Press Club, and the

“*Dakilang Adhikain ng Ating Lahi (Dangal) Award for Elderly Care,*” bestowed by the Business Mirror and Unilab, with the support of the United Bayanihan Foundation and Ritemed in 2018;

WHEREAS, as champion of the elderly, Kuya Eddie authored the *Book of Seniors* and founded the Maharlika Foundation for National Transformation Inc., a values-oriented foundation, and the Golden Eagles Society International Inc., which is the largest organization of senior citizens in the Philippines composed of at least 3,000 members;


WHEREAS, Kuya Eddie is survived by his wife Sylvia Berenguer Arrastia of Pampanga, seven children, Dino, Aldo, Nilo, Liza, Rico, Paulo, and Lara, thirteen grandchildren and one great-granddaughter named Kieran;

WHEREAS, the demise of Kuya Eddie leaves a great sorrow to his family, friends, and loved ones, and he will always be remembered for his kindness, gentleness, and compassion as a father and husband, and as a caring brethren to his colleagues in the television, radio and the movie industry, and to thousands of senior citizens whom he served humbly and faithfully: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, To express its profound condolences to the family of Honorable Edgardo U. Ilarde, former Senator, Assemblyman and Representative of the First Legislative District of Rizal during the Sixth Congress.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That a copy of this Resolution be given to the bereaved family.

Adopted,



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