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Introduced by Representative FLORIDA "RIDA" P. ROBES

**A RESOLUTION
ACKNOWLEDGING THE HEROIC SERVICE OF CPT NIGELLO R. EMETERIO,
MEDICAL CORPS-FLIGHT SURGEON, ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES,
TO THE COUNTRY AND EXPRESSING THE DEEP CONDOLENCES OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON HIS PASSING IN THE C-130 CRASH IN
PATIKUL, SULU**

WHEREAS, on July 4, 2021, fifty three (53) people died after a Lockheed C-130 Hercules aircraft of the Philippine Air Force (PAF) crashed after it attempted to land at the Jolo Airport in Sulu in what was considered the deadliest aviation accident in Philippine military history;

WHEREAS, out of the 53 who perished, fifty (50) were military personnel and three (3) were civilians. Forty seven (47) other military personnel who were on the plane were rescued and survived while four (4) civilians were injured;

WHEREAS, the C-130 plane was transporting military personnel, most of them fresh graduates from military training, to be deployed to the 11th Infantry Division of the Philippine Army based in Jolo, Sulu;

WHEREAS, one of those who perished was Cpt. Nigello R. Emeterio who was part of the medical corps of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) as Flight Surgeon;

WHEREAS, Cpt. Nigello R. Emeterio or Doc Nigel, a resident of Brgy. Muzon in San Jose Del Monte City in Bulacan, was an exemplary and fearless flight surgeon who saved many lives as a frontliner during the Coronavirus-2019 (Covid-19) pandemic;

WHEREAS, prior to his enlistment to the AFP, Doc Nigel's heart was indeed for the poor and downtrodden as he served as Resident on Duty (Duty Doctor) at the SJP Maternity Polyclinic and Pharmacy and Medical Officer III of the SJDM City Health Office;

WHEREAS, wanting to do more for the Filipino people, Cpt. Nigello R. Emeterio dedicated his life towards saving his fellow Filipinos especially during the many flights he took to help those in need in several parts of the country during the pandemic;

WHEREAS, Doc Nigel was a true San Joseno who exemplified heroism worthy of recognition and emulation for his dedicated, unwavering and selfless service to the Filipino people. Indeed the entire Filipino nation lost a heroic compatriot because of his untimely passing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to express the sense of the House of Representatives to acknowledge the heroic service of Cpt. Nigello R. Emeterio, Medical Corps-Flight Surgeon of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, to the country and express its deep condolences on his passing in the C-130 crash in Patikul, Sulu on July 4, 2021.

Adopted.


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