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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1257

Submitted by the Committee on Higher and Technical Education on September 25, 2021

Re: House Resolution No. 2250

Recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 1836

Sponsors: Representatives Mark O. Go and Joseph “Jojo” L. Lara

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Higher and Technical Education to which was referred House Resolution No. 1836, introduced by Rep. Joseph “Jojo” L. Lara, entitled:


“RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY (UST-FMS) ON THE OCCASION OF ITS SESQUICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY AND ITS CONTRIBUTION TO MEDICAL EDUCATION AND ITS DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTRY”

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Resolution No. 2250, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY ON THE OCCASION OF ITS SESQUICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY AND COMMENDING ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF MEDICAL EDUCATION IN THE PHILIPPINES”

be adopted in substitution of House Resolution No. 1836 and with Representatives Joseph “Jojo” L. Lara, Mark O. Go, Joy Myra S. Tambunting, Evelina G. Escudero, Rufus B. Rodriguez, Leonardo L. Babasa, Jr., France L. Castro, Gabriel H. Bordado, Jr., Shirlyn L. Bañas-Nogralas, Lianda B. Bolilia, Sarah Jane I. Elago, Ruth Mariano-Hernandez, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Diego “Nonoy” C. Ty, Dahlia A. Loyola, Ma. Lucille L. Nava, M. D., Macnell M. Lusotan, and Frederick W. Siao as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


MARK O. GO
Chairperson
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(In substitution of House Resolution No. 1836)

Introduced by Representatives Joseph “Jojo” L. Lara, Mark O. Go, Joy Myra S. Tambunting, Evelina G. Escudero, Rufus B. Rodriguez, Leonardo L. Babasa, Jr., France L. Castro, Gabriel H. Bordado, Jr., Shirlyn L. Bañas-Nogralles, Lianda B. Bolilia, Sarah Jane I. Elago, Ruth Mariano-Hernandez, Allan Benedict S. Reyes, Diego “Nonoy” C. Ty, Dahlia A. Loyola, Ma. Lucille L. Nava, M.D., Macnell M. Lusotan, and Frederick W. Siao

A RESOLUTION
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WHEREAS, the University of Santo Tomas Faculty of Medicine and Surgery (UST-FMS) is recognized as the oldest school of medicine in the Philippines, having been established in 1871 in Intramuros, Manila;

WHEREAS, the UST-FMS traces its roots to the *Facultad de Medicina y Cirugia* of the UST, which was established through a decree by the *Superior Gobierno de Filipinas* issued on May 28, 1871;

WHEREAS, the UST-FMS transferred to its present location in España Boulevard, Sampaloc, Manila in 1945 and has grown into the biggest higher education institution offering a medical degree program in the country;

WHEREAS, since its inception, the UST-FMS has endeavored to live up to its reputation as the “Cradle of Philippine Medicine” and has been hailed for the quality of its medical training and instruction, duly acknowledged by the Commission on Higher Education in 2015 when it declared the University as a Center of Excellence for Medical Education;

WHEREAS, the UST-FMS has produced the most number of medical graduates and topnotchers in the Physician Licensure Examinations, and has consistently been the top choice of young Filipinos who aspire to be professional medical workers as evidenced by the University having registered the highest number of medical students among the medical schools in the country, with more than five hundred (500) student-attendees per year level;

WHEREAS, the observance of the 150th Founding Anniversary of the UST-FMS is a fitting tribute to the many alumni leaders, experts, innovators, and outstanding personalities in the field of

medicine that the institution has produced throughout the years;

WHEREAS, the celebration of the 150th Founding Anniversary of the UST-FMS is a milestone not only for the University, but also for the Filipino people as the institution has continued to mentor men and women in the medical profession through the centuries, producing among the brightest medical professionals who have served Philippine society through the most important periods of the country's history, including the Philippine Revolution against Spain, the American Occupation, World War II, and the building of an independent and democratic nation that endures to this day;

WHEREAS, with the motto "Continue, Challenge and Conquer with Compassion", the Sesquicentennial Anniversary of the Foundation of the UST-FMS affords the occasion to celebrate the Thomasian grit and spirit, as the institution continues to pursue the quest of providing the best medical education in the country amid the most challenging health crisis that has ever been experienced by modern society;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives congratulate the University of Santo Tomas-Faculty of Medicine and Surgery on the occasion of its Sesquicentennial Anniversary and commend its contribution to the development and progress of medical education in the Philippines.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of this House Resolution be formally transmitted to the Rector Magnificus of the University of Santo Tomas, Very Reverend Father Richard Ang, O.P.

Adopted.