

Republic of the Philippines Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao

BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY

BARMM Compound, Cotabato City

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 46

AND DEEPEST SINCEREST EXPRESSING RESOLUTION CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE AND FORMER SENATE PRESIDENT AQUILINO "NENE" PIMENTEL, JR.

WHEREAS, Senator Aquilino "Nene" Pimentel Jr. served the senate for seventeen (17) years and was Senate President from 2000 to 2001;

WHEREAS, he was a pillar of democracy, having been imprisoned several times during the dark years of martial law fighting against the Marcos dictatorship and standing for the rights of the people;

WHEREAS, he was a true patriot and statesman who authored laws that were beneficial to Mindanao, including Republic Act 6734, the predecessor of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao;

WHEREAS, Senator Pimentel was a political visionary, the "father of the Local Government Code," who saw the importance of having strong and autonomous local government units;

WHEREAS, even after retiring from the senate, he continued to be an active proponent of social justice and openly supported the establishment of the Bangsamoro Government in the congressional hearings;

WHEREAS, towards the end of his life, he remained genuinely committed to his advocacies in having more local autonomy and devolution by supporting the shift from a unitary to a federal form of government;

NOW THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro parliament, that the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA), expresses its sincerest and deepest condolences to the family of former Senate President Aquilino "Nene" Pimentel, Jr., on his passing on October 20, 2019.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the BTA acknowledges with deep gratitude, the support, generosity, and invaluable contributions of Senate President Pimentel to the Bangsamoro.

Adopted, October 24, 2019.

Certified Correct:

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